



# GEOGOV

## MIDDLE EAST

### SUMMIT

29 - 30 October 2025, The Abu Dhabi Edition Hotel, Abu Dhabi

## GEOSPATIAL INFRASTRUCTURE: ADVANCING NATIONAL & REGIONAL GEOSPATIAL ECOSYSTEM

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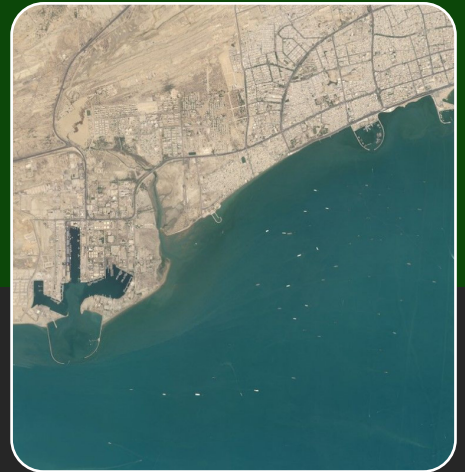


# Overview

Geospatial infrastructure is a fundamental pillar of modern governance, economic planning, and security strategies. As nations in the Middle East accelerate digital transformation, the role of geospatial data, technologies, and frameworks is becoming increasingly vital.

The **GeoGov Middle East Summit** is a strategic initiative designed to strengthen the geospatial ecosystem in the region.

It shall serve as an unique initiative to create a confluence of a high-level and forward-looking G2G and G2B forum which brings together the leaders and experts from across government, industry, and academia to discuss how geospatial knowledge infrastructure, spatial computing, and digital twin technologies are driving economic growth, resilience, and governance efficiency across the region.



## Conference Objectives

- **Enhancing Economic Development:** Understanding the economic impact of space and geospatial intelligence on infrastructure, transportation and mobility, Climate resilience, and urban development.
- **Spatial Computing and Digital Twins:** Showcasing innovations in digital mapping, real-time spatial analytics, and AI-driven geospatial applications.
- **Advancing Regional Collaboration:** Encouraging cross-border cooperation and public-private partnerships to establish a seamless geospatial ecosystem.
- **Policy and Standardization:** Addressing governance frameworks, data interoperability, and strategies for national mapping agencies to transition into geospatial knowledge hubs.



## Target Audience



Government Officials and Policymakers



National Mapping and Geospatial Agencies



Technology and Solution Providers



End User Agencies and Enterprises



Academia and Research Institutions

# Agenda

## Plenary Sessions

- 1 Geospatial Infrastructure:** Advancing National & Regional Geospatial Ecosystem
- 2 Spatial Computing and National Digital Twins:** Enabling Geospatial Market and Value Impact
- 3 Space Infrastructure as a Service:** Strengthening Geodetic Network and Geospatial Platforms
- 4 Geospatial Knowledge Infrastructure:** Driving Economy and Productivity through Enterprise Applications Platforms
- 5 Research and Innovation Centres:** Nurturing Future Business Leaders and Workforce Development

## Symposiums

Geospatial Knowledge Infrastructure (GKI)	City Management & Digital Services	Transportation and Mobility	Oil & Gas
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MIDDLE EAST

**Spotlighting Excellence.  
Celebrating Purposeful Progress.**

Honoring outstanding achievements in:

- **Application Excellence**
- **Technology Innovation**
- **Policy Implementation**

Nomination Deadline: 25th September

# Speakers

## Dr Khalifa Al Romaithi

Chairman, Federal Geographic Information Centre, UAE

## Dr Mohammed AlSayel

President, General Authority for Survey and Geospatial Information, Saudi Arabia

## Dean Angelides

Corporate Director, International, Esri, USA

## Hamed Al Kaabi

Director General  
Federal Geographic Information Centre, UAE

## Asim AlGhamdi

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General Authority for Survey and Geospatial Information, Saudi Arabia

## Anwaar AlShimmari

Director, Federal Geographic Information Centre UAE

## Dr. May Mohammed A.Wahab Al-Khalifa

Geographic Information Systems Directorate, Information and eGovernment Authority Bahrain\*

## Geert De Coensel

CEO, Merkator, Belgium

## Takayuki Odawara

Executive Officer, GM of Business dept, Synspecive Inc., Japan

## Nicholas Brown

Head of Office, United Nations Global Geodetic Centre of Excellence, Germany

## Hasan Al Hosani

CEO- Bayanat Smart Solutions, Space42 , UAE

## Brig Ali AlShehhi

Director General, National Space Science and Technology Centre, UAE

## Dr Zaffar Sadiq Mohamed-Ghouse

Vice President and Director - Advisory & Innovation, Woolpert

## Narendra Babu Vattem

Chief Executive Officer, iSpatial Technologies

## Brig Khalid Dasmal

Founder and CEO, BAPS , UAE

## H.E. Salem Humaid AlMarri

Director General, Mohammed Bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC), UAE\*

## Aesha Saif Al Shehhi

Executive director of Urban Development Sector, Ras Al Khaimah Municipality, UAE

## Dr Fawaz Nadim Habbal

Director General, Emirates Scholar Scientific Research Centre, UAE

## Abdulrahman Al Hashmi

Director- Spatial Data Division, DMT, UAE

## Dr. Ahmed Almurshidi

General Director , Fujairah GIS Center, UAE

## Anil Kumar

Director- Environment Information Management, Environment Agency Abu Dhabi, UAE

## Maitha Ali Al Nuaimi

Director- GIS Centre, Dubai Municipality, UAE \*

# GKI Training Program

**Evolving Role of National Mapping Agencies –  
Transitioning to Geospatial Knowledge Infrastructure**

**27-30 October 2025 | The Abu Dhabi Edition Hotel, Abu Dhabi, UAE**

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## Training Outline:

**October 27–28:** The training will begin with a focused internal training session organised by Geospatial World and UN-GGIM Arab States, exclusively tailored for the Middle East region. The sessions will feature region-focused content, case studies, interactive learning, practical insights on implementing GKI, alignment with regional visions (Saudi Vision 2030, UAE National Space Strategy 2030, Qatar National Vision 2030), and exploration of emerging technologies such as AI, Big Data, Cloud, and Digital Twins across key sectors.

**October 29–30:** The next two days (29–30 October) will focus on industry engagement and collaborative ecosystem building at the GeoGov Middle East Summit, with a dedicated GKI Symposium bringing together leaders, innovators, academia, and multilateral organisations to advance dialogue on future-ready geospatial governance. These sessions will also include trainee engagement, showcasing their value in the regional ecosystem. **On 30 October**, the GKI Training Program concludes with a closing ceremony and **certificate distribution from Geospatial World, signed and certified by UN-GGIM Arab States**, and by our respected trainers, recognized across the global geospatial and space community.

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OFFER**

**Till 30 September**

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Government**

**USD 1500**

**Academia & Research**

**USD 800**

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## Meet Our Trainers/ Speakers



**Mr. Asim AlGhamdi**  
Secretary General  
UN:GGIM Arab States



**Dr. Zaffar Sadiq Mohamed-Ghouse**  
Vice President and Director-  
Advisory & Innovation, Woolpert



**Nicholas Brown**  
Head of Office, United Nations  
Global Geodetic Centre of  
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**Greg Scott**  
Executive Director  
SDG Data Alliance  
PVBLIC Foundation



**Ashok Jani**  
General Manager, Foundation for  
Ecological Security (FES)



**Sanjay Kumar**  
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Geospatial World



**Anyayaa Narain**  
Vice President – Consulting  
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## GKI Training Partners



## Registration Fee

Category	AED	USD
GeoGov Middle East Summit	2500	750
GKI Training + GeoGov Middle East Summit	7000	2000

\*Inclusive Taxes

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