

**3<sup>rd</sup> Global Steel Summit | Event Program**  
**The Great Ballroom, Le Meridien Dubai Hotel & Conference Center, Dubai, UAE**

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**TUESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025**

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- 08:00 – 09:20** Registration, Welcome Coffee & Networking
- 09:20 – 09:25** Assembling for the Opening Ceremony in the Conference Hall
- 09:25 – 09:30** UAE National Anthem & Welcome Address (in Arabic)  
Speaker: Ms. Iman Al Arabi, Coordinator, Global Steel Summit
- 09:30 – 09:35** Welcome Address (in English)  
Speaker: Mr. Thaiseer Jaffar, Founder, Global Steel Summit
- 09:35 – 09:45** Keynote Remarks  
Speaker: Mr. Ahmad Badri, Vice President, Commercial, DP WORLD
- 09:45 – 09:50** Keynote Remarks  
Speaker: Mr. Anil Taurani, Vice Chairman, Steel Producers Committee of UAE
- 09:50 – 10:05** China Steel Market Review  
Speaker: Mr. Yuan Wenjong, Chairman, Dao Fortune, China
- 10:05 – 10:20** Indian Steel Market Review  
Speaker: Mr. Nikunj Turakhia, President, Steel Users Federation of India
- 10:20 – 10:35** GCC Steel Market Review  
Speaker: Mr. Abu Bucker Husain, CEO, AL Ghurair Iron & Steel
- 10:35 – 10:45** Introduction & Felicitation Trophy to the Guest of Honor (tbc)  
Felicitation Trophy Awarded to the Main Sponsors
- 10:45 – 10:50** Ribbon Cutting & Opening Ceremony of #GSS2025 Exhibition
- 10:50 – 11:40** Networking & Morning Coffee Break
- 11:40 – 12:30** Panel Discussion (1): GCC's Emergence as a Steel Manufacturing and Processing Powerhouse

**Moderator:** Mr. Samy Mohammed, Advisory Board Member, Steel Network, GCC

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Harssha Shetty, CEO, Jindal Steel, Oman
- Dr. Salam Sharif, Chairman, Sharif Metals Group, UAE
- Mr. Sumit Ghoshal, Chief Executive Officer, UTP Group
- Mr. Suraj Sharma, COO, CIM Steel Industry, UAE
- Mr. Venkat A.N., CEO, Jazeera Steel Products, Oman & UAE

**12:30 – 14:00** Networking Lunch Break | Podcast Sessions | Steel MOU Signing Ceremony

**14:00 – 14:50** Panel Discussion (2) : How the Geopolitics & Tariffs are shaping the Global Steel Trade?

**Moderator:** Mr. Atilla Widnell, Chairman, Navigate Commodities, Singapore

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Atef Tawakalna, CEO, Bait AL Tatawor, Saudi Arabia
- Mr. Gorkem Bolaca, Chairman, Galex Steel, Turkiye
- Mr. Sharjeel Azhar, CEO, AL Ittefaq Steel, Saudi Arabia
- Mr. Yuan Wenjong, Chairman, Dao Fortune
- Mr. Utkarsh Dwivedi, CEO, APL Apollo Pipes & Tubes, UAE

**14:50 – 15:40** Panel Discussion (3) : Global Flat Steel Market Panel  
[Discussions on HRC, HRP, CRC & Coated Flat Steel]

**Moderator:** Mr. Thaiseer Jaffar, Founder, Global Steel Summit, Dubai

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Ding Mudi, Regional Manager, Ansteel Group, China
- Mr. Rajesh Singh, General Manager, United Iron & Steel, UAE
- Mr. Tolga Yigit Cekicler, Commercial, TATMETAL, Turkiye
- Mr. Vivek Sharma, Head – Middle East, Nippon Steel Trading
- Mr. Yasin Kanbur, General Manager, CIEC Group Middle East, MENA

**15:40 – 16:20** Networking Coffee Break

**15:40 – 16:20** Launching Ceremony – SteelGiant Steel APP, the World's Steel App!

**16:20 – 17:05** Panel Discussion (4): European & Turkish Steel Market Panel

**Moderator:** Mr. John Short, CEO, Boomer Commodities, Europe

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Atilla Widnell, Chairman, Navigate Commodities, Singapore
- Dr. Gunther Voswinckel, President, International Tube Association
- Mr. Nick Lally, Owner, Steel Traders, United Kingdom
- Mr. Sahap Ataman, Chairman, SteelData, Turkiye
- Mr. Yasin Kanbur, General Manager, CIEC Group Middle East, MENA

**17:05 – 17:50 Panel Discussion (5): China Steel Market Panel**  
**(Understanding the Market Dynamics of the World's Largest Steel Producing Country)**

**Moderator:** Mr. Thaiseer Jaffar, Founder, Global Steel Summit, Dubai

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Ms. Antonia Li, Deputy Head – Overseas, YOUFA Steel Group, China
- Mr. Ding Mudi, Regional Manager, Ansteel Group, China
- Mr. Sasan Najib Zada, General Manager, Himalaya Steel Group
- Mr. Tim Shu, Regional Manager, CUMIC Steel, China
- Ms. Yuan Yuanhui, Head of Exports, Panhua Group, China & Philippines

**17:50 – 17:55 Closing Remarks of Day-1 of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Global Steel Summit**  
**Speaker:** Thaiseer Jaffar, Founder, Global Steel Summit

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**WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025 | COMMERCIAL STEEL DISCUSSION**

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**09:00 – 09:40 Panel Discussion (6) : Persian Steel Panel (tbc)**

**09:40 – 10:20 Panel Discussion (7) : Global Semis & Long Steel Market Panel**  
**[Discussions on Billets, Slabs, Wire Rods & Hot Rolled Sections]**

**Moderator:** Mr. Sunil Menon, Chief Business Development Officer, CIM Steel Industry

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Ayhan Tugrul, Chief Operating Officer, CARES
- Mr. Abhijit Bhomwick, Head of Steel, AZIZI Developments, UAE
- Ms. Star Liu, Regional Manager, Jianlong Iron & Steel, China
- Mr. Zia Jabbar, GM – Strategic Marketing & Projects, Jazeera Steel Products, Oman & UAE
- Mr. Thaiseer Jaffar, Founder, Global Steel Summit, Dubai

**10:20 – 10:35 Global Tube Market, with a focus on MENA Region**  
**Speaker:** Dr. Gunther Voswinckel, President, International Tube Association

**10:35 – 11:00 Networking & Morning Coffee Break**

**11:00 – 11:50 Panel Discussion (8) : ERW Tubular Market Panel**  
**[Discussion on ERW in Commercial & OCTG market]**

**Moderator:** Ms. Elina Virchenko, Steel Markets Reporter, Kallanish, UAE

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Ms. Antonia Li, Deputy Head – Overseas, YOUFA Steel Group, China
- Mr. Faris Mesallam, General Manager, AL Mashrek Steel & Metal Mfg, Jordan
- Dr. Gunther Voswinckel, President, International Tube Association
- Mr. Prasoon Dubey, COO, A J Steel Pipes, UAE
- Mr. Zia Jabbar, GM – Strategic Marketing & Projects, Jazeera Steel Products, Oman & UAE

**11:50 – 11:52** Introductory Speech of Steel Forum for Energy, Oil & Gas  
Speaker: Mr. James Ley, Head of Metals and Materials, Rystad Energy

**11:52 – 12:10** GCC EPC (Engineering, Procurement, and Construction) Market Outlook  
Speaker: Ms. Sara Hazem Sarhan, Analyst, Rystad Energy, UAE

**12:10 – 12:40** Panel Discussion (9) : EPC Panel Discussion  
[Discussions on the Engineering, Procurement, and Construction]

**Moderator:** Mr. James Ley, Head of Metals and Materials, Rystad Energy

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Luca Tifi, Supply Chain Manager, SAIPEM
- Mr. Marzouk Abu Madi, Senior Manager, Global Category Manager, McDermott
- Mr. Nirmal Kumar Kabra, VP & Head of Supply Chain Management, Larsen and Toubro
- Mr. Saravanan Ganeshan, Senior Manager, Lamprell
- Mr. Sherif Elbhery, Senior Procurement Director, NMDC Group

**12:40 – 14:10** Networking Lunch Break | Podcast Sessions | Steel MOU Signing Ceremony

**14:10 – 14:30** OCTG Market Outlook  
Speaker: Mr. Roman Filimonov, Senior Vice President, Metals and Materials, Rystad Energy, UAE

**14:30 – 15:00** Panel Discussion (10) : OCTG PANEL

**Moderator:** Mr. Edison Luo, Chair, VP RE, Head of Shanghai, Rystad Energy

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Alex Zheng, Chief Rep – Middle East, CITIC Pacific Special Steel
- Mr. Marvin Gao, Manager, Baosteel Middle East, UAE
- Mr. Vineet Pahwa, Director – Sales & Marketing, Jindal SAW, UAE

**15:00 – 15:20** GCC Line Pipe Market Outlook  
Speaker: Mr. Alistair Ramsay, VP Metals and Materials, London, Rystad Energy

**15:20 – 15:50 Panel Discussion (11) : Line Pipe Panel**

**Moderator:** Mr. Roman Filimonov, Senior Vice President, Metals and Materials, Rystad Energy, UAE

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Abhisek Sarkar, General Manager, Sales & Procurement, AL Gharbia Pipe
- Mr. Andreas Mairhofer, Regional Manager Middle East, VOESTALPINE
- Mr. Ashish Guwalani, Head of International Business, WELSPUN
- Mr. Rahul Del Sharma, SVP, Marketing, Jindal SAW, UAE

**15:50 – 16:10 Alloy Line Pipe Market Outlook**

**Speaker:** Mr. Edison Luo, VP Metals and Materials, Shanghai, Rystad Energy

**16:10 – 16:50 Panel Discussion (12) : Alloy Line Pipe Panel**

**Moderator:** Mr. James Ley, Head of Metals and Materials, Rystad Energy

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Mr. Andreas Mairhofer, Regional Manager Middle East, VOESTALPINE
- Mr. Bernd Beckers, Head of Strategic Marketing, OUTOKUMPU
- Mr. Jonathas Mathias de Oliveria, Head of Energy, APERAM
- Mr. Simon Howell, Head of Middle East, BUTTING
- Mr. Steven Goodier, SVP Global Sales & Marketing EMEA, CLADTEK
- Mr. Stuart Duncan, CTO, PROCLAD

**16:50 – 17:00 Networking Afternoon Coffee Break**

**17:00 – 17:20 GCC Steel Market Outlook**

**Speaker:** Mr. Swastik Das, Analyst, Bangalore, India, Rystad Energy

**17:20 – 17:50 Panel Discussion (13) : Green Steel Panel**

**Moderator:** Mr. Alistair Ramsay, VP Metals and Materials, London, Rystad Energy

**Panellists (Alphabetical Order):**

- Andrea Diasparro, Procurement Manager, DANIELI
- Mr. John Short, CEO, Boomer Commodities, Europe
- Dr. Rajesh Kumar Agarwal, Executive Director, RKG International
- Vladimir Arishnov, Chief Technical Officer, EMSTEEL

**17:50 – 17:55 Closing Remarks of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Global Steel Summit**

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