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The 24th edition of **Airport Show**, held under the patronage of **H.H. Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum**, brought together aviation leaders, suppliers, and innovators to explore the future of airport development.

Hosted at the Dubai World Trade Centre from 6-8 May 2025, this edition received overwhelming participation from stakeholders across the MEASA region and beyond, further solidifying the event's reputation as the leading B2B platform for the regional airport community.

### **2025** KEY FIGURES

140 Exhibitors from 22 countries

103 Buyers from 45 Organisations across 27 Countries

**2 Country Pavilions:** Germany and Italy

**3,500+**Facilitated Business Meetings

**7,000+ Aviation Professionals** over 3 days

2 Co-located Conferences with 70+ Speakers in 30+ Sessions



## A Vision for the Future: Strategic Announcements and Milestones

Among the most compelling highlights of **Airport Show 2025** was the strong presence and leadership demonstrated by Dubai Airports and Dubai Aviation Engineering Projects (DAEP), reflecting the emirate's unwavering commitment to becoming a global aviation capital.

DAEP's showcase of AMIA was one of the most anticipated features at the show. **H.E. Eng. Khalifa Al Zaffin**, Executive Chairman of DAEP, used the Airport Show platform to announce the awarding of key contracts for site enabling works and the construction of the second runway, marking a monumental step toward realizing the city's long-term aviation strategy. Their daily highlight videos drew attention from attendees across LinkedIn, with insights into tender packages for an automated people mover, state-of-the-art baggage handling systems, and terminal substructure development—all aligning with Dubai's Economic Agenda 2033.



### **What Exhibitors Said**

"Our participation aligns with our long-term vision to be the global leader in counter-drone solutions, supporting critical infrastructure with intelligent defence systems. The MEASA region is rapidly expanding."



**Tim Butcher** 

Sales Director, Drone Shield

"Airport Show represents innovation and long-lasting relationships.

For businesses like ours, it serves as a key strategic platform to focus on and expand into the MEASA airport industry."



**Andrew Paganelli** 

Director, Access Covers Australia

#### What Attendees Said

"A must-attend for networking and cutting-edge knowledge!"

#### **Ahmed Isam**

Head of Training, Fujairah Air Navigation Services

"It's more than just an exhibition—it's a launchpad for shaping the future of aviation.

What makes it truly special is its ability to connect key players across

the aviation ecosystem."

#### Talal Al Hammadi

VP - Air Traffic Development, dans

# Looking Ahead to the 25th Edition

Airport Show 2026 will mark its 25th Anniversary from 12-14 May 2026 at Dubai World Trade Centre.

The show is set to expand further, attracting more international exhibitors, strategic buyers, and visionary partners. Don't miss the opportunity to be part of this milestone edition.and terminal substructure development—all aligning with Dubai's Economic Agenda 2033.



## **EXHIBITOR PROFILE**

## **Company Activity**

47% Ground Support Equipment and Services



4% Airport Technology & IT



**11%** Airport Operations



10% Airport Build & Installations



9% Airfield Construction & Installations



6% Airport Security



4 % Air Traffic Control



**Geo-Split** 

71%
International

**29**%

## **Exhibiting Countries**

(\*...) Australia





Belgium





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China























Egypt

France



### **VISITOR PROFILE**



4 % Airline

19% Industry Product and Service Supplier

\*Commercial aviation
Travel and tourism
Industry association
Oil & Gas - Aviation
Energy Providers

Finance and investment Real estate F&B Marketing agencies

4% Cargo / Freight Forwarding

Contractor / EPC Contractor

12% Consultancy

👧 % Systems Integrator / Supplier

3% Airport Security

7% Airport

**7%** Maintenance / Facility Management

**7%** Education and Training

**7%** Civil Aviation Authority

6% Ground Handling

2% Government

5% Construction Industry Supplier

7% Architecture



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## BUSINESS CONNECT

With over \$1 trillion worth of airport development projects underway across the MEASA region, Airport Show's Business Connect Programme continues to be the premier gateway for global airport suppliers to access high-value buyers and decision-makers shaping the future of aviation.



In 2025, the programme facilitated direct engagement with 103 hosted buyers from 45 organisations across 27 countries—ranging from government authorities and airport operators to prime contractors and systems integrators. For exhibitors, it's more than visibility—it's your opportunity to build pipeline, secure contracts, and enter new markets.

Whether you're showcasing next-gen airport tech, infrastructure, GSE, or security solutions, Airport Show is where real business happens.

ORGANISATION	COUNTRY
Zvartnots International Airport	Armenia
Bahrain Airport Services	Bahrain
Zagreb Airport Ltd.	Croatia
Djibouti linternational Airport	Djibouti
Egyptian Aviation Services	Egypt
Egyptian Holding Company for Airports & Air Navigation (EHCAAN)	Egypt
Ghana Airports Company Limited	Ghana
Air India (Pan India)	India
Airports Authority of India	India
Sulaymaniyah International Airport	Iraq
Aeroporto G. Marconi di Bologna SpA	Italy
Aqaba Airports Company	Jordan
Menzies Aviation	Jordan
Ministry of Transport	Jordan
Kenya Airports Authority	Kenya
Kenya Airways	Kenya
Menzies Aviation/NAS	Kuwait
Directorate General of Civil Aviation	Lebanon
Airport Developments Ltd Kamuzu International Airport	Malawi
Malaysia Airlines	Malaysia
Island Aviation Services Ltd.	Maldives
Maldives Airports Company Limited	Maldives
Moroccan Airports Authority	Morocco

ORGANISATION	COUNTRY
Office National Des Aeroports	Morocco
Oman Airports	Oman
Transom Handling	Oman
Sialkot International Airport	Pakistan
Hamad International Airport	Qatar
Qatar Airways	Qatar
Cluster2	Saudi Arabia
Dammam Airports Company	Saudi Arabia
Matarat Holdings	Saudi Arabia
Saudia Airlines	Saudi Arabia
Red Sea International Airport	Saudi Arabia
Air Seychelles Ltd.	Seychelles
Seychelles Civil Aviation Authority	Seychelles
Srilankan Airlines	Sri Lanka
Tanzania Airports Authority	Tanzania
General Directorate of State Airports Authority	Turkey
Istanbul Sabiha Gokcen International Airport	Turkey
Uganda Civil Aviation Authority	Uganda
Karshi International Airport	Uzbekistan
Uzbekistan Airports (JSC)	Uzbekistan
Navoi International Airport	Uzbekistan
Namangan International Airport	Uzbekistan

## Innovation on Display: Elevating Airport Technology and Services





A defining feature of Airport Show 2025 was the quality and depth of solutions presented across its new zones: the Airport Tech Pavilion, GSE (Ground Support Equipment) Zone, and the Airport Design Hub.

From cutting-edge security systems to digital airport twins and AI-driven ground handling solutions, exhibitors brought forward technologies set to redefine the passenger experience, reduce operational costs, and enhance safety and sustainability. Among the standout partnerships announced was between Dubai Airports and Smiths Detection—an agreement designed to enhance passenger screening at Dubai International Airport with next-generation detection technologies.

Smiths Detection described the partnership as part of "a shared vision to make airport security faster, smarter, and more effective," and highlighted the importance of showcasing such solutions at events like the Airport Show where "real-world challenges meet real-world applications."







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# The Power of Content and Community

**Airport Show 2025**'s value proposition was enhanced by a robust conference and knowledge-sharing programme, co-located under the umbrella of GALF, Airport Security Middle East, and the ATC Forum.

#### **Key Sessions Addressed:**

- Decarbonizing Airport Infrastructure
- Operational Resilience through Digital Twins
- Smart Border Control and AI in Aviation Security
- Emerging Air Mobility
- Women in Aviation Leadership



Talal Al Hammadi Vice President Air Traffic Development Dubai Air Navigation Service (dans)

"The Airport Show continues to be a cornerstone event for aviation innovation and collaboration. I've witnessed firsthand how this platform brings together global expertise and cutting edge technologies, right here in Dubai. It's more than just an exhibition it's a launchpad for shaping the future of aviation. What makes the Airport Show truly special is its ability to connect key players across the aviation ecosystem, from ANSPs and airport operators to startups and technology leaders. Together, we are co-creating smarter, more sustainable air traffic solutions that align with Dubai's vision as a global aviation hub. The event isn't just about today's opportunities it's about building a safer, more connected, and forward-looking aviation future for all."



Yanendra Weerakkody Digital Transformation Lead, SriLankan Airlines Ltd

"The Dubai Airport Show is a must-attend event for aviation professionals. It brings together global innovators, decision-makers, and thought leaders to shape the future of aviation technology and operations. An excellent platform for networking, exploring cutting-edge solutions, and gaining industry insights—all under one roof!"

## SPEAKER HIGHLIGHTS







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# women Empowering a New in Aviation Era of Leadership

One of the most celebrated co-located events was the **Women in Aviation Middle East Conference and Awards 2025**, which brought together aviation professionals, pilots, engineers, and policy shapers. The conference emphasized the importance of inclusive growth, female mentorship, and cross-generational leadership in aviation.



**Rizwan Taj**, commercial pilot and aviation advocate, shared his admiration after interviewing award-winning women leaders at the show. "It's moments like these that inspire the next generation—leaders in the making need to see who's already flying high."



**Lilitt Shughuryan**, an aviation lawyer and industry consultant, wrote, "The conversations on inclusion, education, and empowerment were not just token discussions—they were actionable dialogues with measurable outcomes."

**Dr. James Kennell**, aviation academic and advisor, highlighted the impact of the **Women in Aviation Middle East Conference and Awards**, which took place alongside the exhibition, stating, "It was inspiring to see a strong focus on inclusion, leadership, and gender diversity being woven into the narrative of airport development."

Meanwhile, **Arnaz Ashraf**, a senior airline professional, shared how the Women in Aviation sessions provided "a rare opportunity to connect with trailblazing women shaping policy, design, and operations in airports across the region."

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