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Five years on from its inception, the ACT Middle East Annual Conference is the leading corporate treasury conference and networking event for the GCC region. Having grown significantly year on year, this two-day event provides a programme of rich content and highly knowledgeable speakers.

This year we are seeking to **capitalise on change**. With changing regulation, changing trade patterns, and a changing economy this a very exciting time for the GCC. Companies need to know where to focus their attention during this period of great innovation and growth.

Whether you're interested in strengthening your treasury team's capabilities or navigating the evolving regulatory landscape, the programme will have something for you. Each panel, case study and presentation is thoughtfully planned in order to best inform today's treasurer. Providing a perfect balance of practical and attainable solutions, together with insight and future innovations, you will return to your office with new ideas to improve you business.

It's a fantastic opportunity for you to network with your peers and share ideas with the people that count.

We look forward to seeing you.

Matthew Hurn Chairman, ACT Middle East Committee Executive Director – Finance, Emerging Sectors Mubadala Development Company

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An integral part of the Association of Corporate Treasurers (ACT), the ACT Middle East Network is made up of over 4,000 professionals from a range of corporations, banks and financial institutions across the GCC. We are committed to the development and sharing of treasury, risk and corporate finance knowledge and expertise across the region.

The network includes a team of treasury and finance professionals that make up the ACT Middle East Committee, which represents the voice of our community and provide guidance on key topics and issues in treasury management. The annual conference is the ideal setting for our network to get together and deliberate the big issues of the day.

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o9.00 Registration and refreshments

10.00 Chair's opening remarks

Peter Matza, Engagement Director, ACT

10.10 **Opening keynote address: exploring the region's key economic drivers**

H.E. Saif Hadef Al Shamsi, Assistant Governor, Monetary Policy and Financial Stability Department Central Bank of the United Arab Emirates

10.40The evolution of global banking alliances and partnershipsCarole Berndt, Global Head - Transaction Services, Corporate & Institutional Banking, RBS



11.55 Track sessions

Each track session includes a presentation from the sponsor, a case study from a corporate and a panel discussion.

TRACK A

Optimising your cash and liquidity management



What will it cover?

- long term strategies to manage short term volatilities
- managing your working capital
- bolstering your bank relationships

Why should you attend?

- ensure you can maintain accurate projections
- improve visibility across the business
- develop the right level of engagement with your bank

Hear from:

Mark Holliday, Group Treasury Director, Dar Al Riyadh Balaji Subramanian, Senior Finance Manager,

Corporate Finance, Landmark Retail

Sunil Veetil, Regional Head of PCM – Middle East and North Africa, HSBC

Facilitated by: Peter Matza, Engagement Director, ACT

13.10 Networking lunch in the exhibition hall

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TRACK B

Rebalancing the risk challenge Bank of America What will it cover?

- identifying limitations within the company and prioritising key exposures
- approaching risk head-on: implementing a solution
- keeping strategy agile in a changing economy

Why should you attend?

- review and evaluate your company's risk strategy
- benchmark your solution against your peers
- hear practical tips on ensuring your framework is sustainable

Hear from:

Sohail Choksy, Director, SC Providge and Chairman, UAE Institute of Internal Auditors Toby Shore, Corporate Treasurer and Chief Risk Officer, Emirates Global Aluminum Jonathon Traer-Clark, Director, Global Business Solutions, Global Transaction Services, Bank of America Merrill Lynch

Facilitated by: Colin Tyler, Chief Executive, ACT



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PROGRAMME **DAY 1** MONDAY 27 OCTOBER

14.25 Track sessions

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TRACK C	TRACK D		
Finding the right funding solution What will it cover?	Perfecting your treasury strategy		
 capital structure: when to go long and short anticipating market movements Islamic finance and other alternatives Why should you attend? find the right funding mix for your business discover which markets are most accessible hear from corporates with diverse solutions 	 What will it cover? the treasurer at the frontline of business change emphasising treasury's presence in the company communicating with key stakeholders Why should you attend? discuss how best to position yourself as a key influencer broaden your focus for more strategic planning 		
Hear from: Anil Dudani, Head of Treasury, Dragon Oil Michael Grifferty, President, The Gulf Bond and Sukuk Association (GBSA) Declan Sawey, Group Treasurer, KIPCO Facilitated by: Peter Matza, Engagement Director, ACT	 get your voice heard at the right level Hear from: Gianluca Elmosi, Group Treasurer, Muntajat Vikas Khandelwal, Head of Investment Banking Corporates MEA, BNP Paribas Arun Singh, Corporate Treasurer, Aramex Nicoletta Stella, Head of Corporate Liquidity and Investment and Head of International Cash Management MEA, BNP Paribas Chris Van Dijl, Managing Director, Cugavadi Facilitated by: James Lockyer, Development Director, ACT 		

15.40 Networking break in the exhibition hall

16.10 Panel session: embracing innovation – making technology work for you

A panel of experts discuss how implementing new technology can give your company the advantage. It will include practical tips from treasurers going through the process and invaluable advice from technology providers.

Facilitated by:

Peter Matza, Engagement Director, ACT

The panel:

Adam Boukadida, Deputy Treasurer, Etihad Airways Alex Johnson, Regional Sales Manager, Middle East and Africa, 360T Daniel Hurst, Vice President - Sales, SunGard Bassam Khalifa, Country Manager, MENA and Turkey, SWIFT

17.00 Close of conference

17.15 Networking reception

All delegates are invited to join us for an exclusive evening drinks reception – the perfect occasion to network with your colleagues and clients from across the GCC over drinks and canapés. The reception takes place in The No.5 Lounge & Bar Terrace, the social hub of The Ritz-Carlton, DIFC.







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08.45 Registration and refreshments

09.30 A word from the conference chair

Peter Matza, Engagement Director, ACT

09.35 Panel session: navigating the regulatory landscape

A panel of economists, business leaders and commentators discuss key regulatory issues which corporates should be aware of in 2015 and beyond

Facilitated by:

Chris Leonard-Appleton, Director - Regulation, Thomson Reuters

The panel:

Amir Ahmad, Partner, Pinsent Masons Arijit Shome, Group Treasurer, Almarai Zulfigar Unar, Senior Manager, Capital Markets Middle East, PricewaterhouseCoopers

10.35 Networking break in the exhibition hall

11.15 Track sessions

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Adapting to trade finance

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What will it cover?

- an overview of the economic environment
- trade finance as a key driver of regional growth
- key considerations for treasurers when developing trade corridors
- trade instruments is open account trade becoming more common?

Why should you attend?

- review trade patterns and manage changes
- identify new trade partners to grow your business
- discuss how to streamline your process

Hear from:

Baihas Baghdadi, Managing Director, Head of Trade and Working Capital International, Barclays

Dr R. Durgadoss, Group Director - Finance and Strategy, House of S.T. Bhatia

Dilip Shadvani, General Manager - Treasury, Finance, **Al Habtoor Motors**

Neeraj Tekchandani, Chief Financial Officer, **Apparel Group**

Facilitated by:

Colin Tyler, Chief Executive, ACT

Sector specific sessions 12.35

Each session provides a closer look at the key industries driving growth in the region. Industry focus: oil and gas

A panel of professionals discuss developments in the oil and gas industry

Hear from:

Matthew Norris, Group Treasury Manager, Petrofac Nat Vora, Chief Financial Officer, Gulf Energy

Facilitated by:

Colin Tyler, Chief Executive, ACT

Achieving channel and liquidity



What will it cover?

- exploring the optimal number of core cash banks
- available strategies to connect with them
- defining the ideal overlay and pool structure

Why should you attend?

- get the most from your bank relationships
- examine the cost of connectivity in working with your banks
- optimise your liquidity and overlay structure in a multi-bank set up

Hear from:

Alexander Harris, Group Treasurer, Al Muhaidib Harish Pai, Senior Manager Treasury, TDIC Murali Subramanian, Executive Vice President, Head - Transactional Banking, ADCB

Facilitated by:

James Lockyer, Development Director, ACT

Industry focus: leisure

A panel of professionals discuss developments in the leisure industry

Hear from:

Rob Farrow, Corporate Treasurer, **Alghanim Industries** Lourie Kruger, Vice President - Treasury and M&A **Kingdom Hotel Investments**

Facilitated by:

James Lockyer, Development Director, ACT

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13.10 Networking lunch in the exhibition hall

14.25 Interactive panel session: what's on your agenda?

A group of treasurers debate their plans for 2015 in conversation with the audience

- what are the new treasury trends you are investing your time and resource in?
- how has treasury matured as an industry and what more can be done?
- how does the current economic environment affect business?

Facilitated by:

Peter Matza, Engagement Director, ACT

The panel:

Shrimati Damal, Senior Vice President – Group Treasury, Majid Al Futtaim Rachel Pether, Financial Risk Manager, Mubadala GE Capital Gary Slawther, Corporate Treasurer, OCTAL Petrochemicals

15.30 Chair's closing remarks and close of conference



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