

Arabal 2025: Bigger, Better, Bolder.



Over 560 delegates from 131 organisations worldwide attended Arabal 2025 in Dubai, which was hosted by EGA in partnership with the Middle Eastern aluminium industry and organised by GAC.

The two-day conference and exhibition addressed a variety of topics relevant to the aluminium industry, including economic issues, environmental concerns, opportunities and challenges, supply and demand, sustainability, and geopolitics.

GAC would like to express its appreciation to all the sponsors, exhibitors, and speakers for their valuable contributions, which helped make Arabal 2025 a highly successful event in the aluminium sector.



Special Thanks to Mohammed Ali AlNaki

Mohamed Ali AlNaki, the founder of Arabal, received a special thank-you award from GAC in recognition of his contribution to advancing the aluminium industry in the Middle East by establishing Arabal. Abdulla Kalban, the GAC Chairman, presented the award on behalf of the GAC members to Mohamed during the Arabal conference on 5th November 2025, in Dubai, UAE.

ALBA launches AI project to enhance efficiency

Alba has strengthened its partnership with Array Innovation, a Bahrain-based provider of AI and cloud-native digital solutions. This collaboration involves launching an advanced project centred on data science, machine learning, and AI specifically for Alba's pot lines. The initiative will provide AI-powered decision support tools for Alba operators.

The aim is to reduce costs, minimise downtime, enhance product quality, increase process efficiency, and improve employee safety.



EGA launches a metal testing facility to enhance quality



EGA has launched a metallurgical testing laboratory as part of the expansion of its EGA Spectro Alloys recycling plant located in the United States.

This laboratory, situated in Minnesota, conducts metallographic analyses and mechanical testing on finished products from EGA Spectro.

The facility provides sample testing for customer castings or extrusions, assisting in troubleshooting and optimising downstream quality. Additionally, the lab offers enhanced and faster sample analysis services to its clients.

EGA acquired 80% of EGA Spectro Alloys in 2024.

Qatalum contractor safety milestone



Qatalum's indirectly supervised contractors have achieved an impressive 5.46 million safe work hours and 1,140 consecutive days without a recordable injury since July 31, 2022.

Sohar Aluminium Funds CPR Training Centre



Sohar Aluminium, in collaboration with Oman's Ministry of Health, has inaugurated a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Training Centre at Sohar Hospital, which Sohar Aluminium funded. This Centre will offer specialised CPR courses for medical personnel, aiming to enhance the response efficiency of healthcare professionals during incidents and emergencies.

GAC has a new identity



GAC created and launched a new GAC identity at the Arabal Reception commemorating its fifteenth anniversary.

The new logo was positively received by its members and delegates at the conference as modern and forward-looking.

GAC has a new website, gac.ae



A new website has been created with a focus on people working in the aluminium industry in our region. It features comprehensive information about aluminium production, applications, and properties. The site provides direct links to the websites of all GAC members, as well as productions categorised by country and product in the GCC. It also gives updates on news and events, and outlines our commitments to sustainability.

The site is available in both English and Arabic.