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Driving the Future of Transport and Global Connectivity

Building on the incredible success of its inaugural edition in 2024, Global Rail is set to exceed all expectations in 2025.

This premier event unites visionary transport leaders, industry pioneers, and financiers to drive sustainable, integrated mobility solutions. By advancing economic growth and enhancing global connectivity, Global Rail is at the forefront of transforming the transport and infrastructure ecosystem towards a multi-modal future.



Etihad Rail is cultivating a thriving transportation ecosystem for our region and the rest of the world that is rooted in collaboration, prosperity, and opportunity. Through the consistent support of His Highness Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan, UAE Vice President, Deputy Prime Minister, and Minister of the Presidential Court, and the UAE's wise leadership, we aim to further solidify the position of our national project at an international level.

This support is further underscored by the establishment of Global Rail, which provides Etihad Rail with a platform that will enrich the regional transport and logistics sector, ensuring its growing demands are met, and thus further driving its development.

H.H. Sheikh Theyab bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan
Chairman
Etihad Rail





9.5 bn
Global Passenger
Traffic in 2025

Why Now?

In an era of rapid population growth and evolving transportation needs, Global Rail stands as the cornerstone of tomorrow's transportation industry. With global passenger traffic expected to reach 9.5 billion by end 2025, the pace of change in the transport sector is unprecedented. By bringing together visionaries, policymakers, financiers, and technical experts from around the world, Global Rail ignites dynamic dialogue, collaboration, and transformation.

At its heart is a powerful vision: sustainable interconnected mobility achieved through strategic partnerships within integrated transport ecosystems. Global Rail turns this vision into reality on a global scale, fostering collaboration among stakeholders to unlock new opportunities, drive progress, and shape the future of transportation.

CAGR of 8%

Global Transportation
Market 2024–2032

\$16 Trillion

2032 Forecasted Global
Transportation Market Size

CAGR of 6%

Expected Growth Rate of the
GCC Freight and Logistics
Market 2024–2032

40,000+ KM

Length of Planned Rail Network
in GCC Under Development

Global Rail 2025

Global Rail 2025 is the must-attend event for the future of transport where the government, industry leaders and innovators converge to drive innovations and set the course for a sustainable, interconnected world.

With rail transport accounting for over 1.6 billion journeys in just the first half of 2024 and the global rail industry valued at over \$300 billion, the impact and growth potential are immense.

Global Rail in Numbers

10,000+

International Attendees

200+

Exhibiting Companies

200+

Visionary Speakers

800+

Conference Delegates

100+

Participating Countries

15+

Ministerial Delegations

14+

Exhibition Sectors

7

Expansive Halls

About the Exhibition

Spanning seven halls at the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Center (ADNEC), Global Rail exhibition is the premier showcase for pioneering companies across the whole value chain.

Your presence at Global Rail, propels you at the forefront of rail innovations and connects you with the 10,000+ key players and buyers in attendance, shaping the future of transportation.

Exhibition Sectors

Air, Ports, Rail operators

Freight and logistics

Rolling stock

AI, technology and digitization

Infrastructure and construction

Urban and multimodal integration

Security and safety

Smart mobility

Signaling and control

Traffic management

Predictive maintenance

Sustainability

Consulting and engineering

Passenger experience

10+ Country Pavilions in 2025



United Kingdom



Germany



Austria



Spain



France



Italy



Türkiye



India



South Korea



Indonesia

Benefits of Participation



Forge Lasting Connections

Connect with decision makers, leaders, policymakers, and global rail experts, fostering valuable relationships for potential collaborations, partnerships, and knowledge-sharing opportunities.



Stand at the Forefront of Innovation

Dive into a wealth of insights from global pioneers and stay informed on the latest innovations and best practices for enhancing the logistics and transportation ecosystem in the region.



Expand your Business Horizons

Showcase your innovations, solutions, and technologies to a diverse and influential audience, opening doors to new business opportunities, partnerships, and potential projects that can drive business growth in the rail ecosystem.



Shape Future Policies

Global Rail provides an influential platform to showcase your expertise and innovations to transport policymakers, and thus, driving the development of the transport and mobility industry.



Position your Portfolio

Maximise market visibility by participating as a sponsor or exhibitor. Showcase your brand on a global scale, enhancing recognition, fostering trust, and positioning your organisation as a key player in advancing smart cities of the future.



Facilitate Global Collaboration

Engage in collaborative initiatives that transcend boundaries. Join leaders across the rail value chain to contribute to the advancement of an integrated and sustainable global rail and intermodal transport ecosystem.



Participants Featured in the Previous Edition



For every dollar you invest in rail, you see a 250% return economically in the region. Think about Casablanca to Tianjin in 2 hours, or Paris to Bordeaux in 2 hours—it changes the way you think about space, business setups, and real estate value.

Andrew DeLeone

President
Africa, Middle East & Central Asia (AMECA) Region
Alstom

Specialised Exhibition Areas

Engage with industry leaders at dedicated spaces, unique to Global Rail 2025, providing essential opportunities to explore frontier markets, discuss advanced financing models for large-scale projects, connect with cutting-edge technologies, and delve into solutions shaping the future of the rail and transport industry.



Innovations Hub

Experience cutting-edge rail technology and sustainable practices in a dynamic space showcasing groundbreaking digital solutions, smart infrastructure advancements, and transformative innovations



Projects Pavilion

Benefit from direct access to frontier markets and investment opportunities, accelerating projects, economic growth, and inclusive prosperity



Finance Pavilion

The gateway to connecting with top financiers and investment leaders. Engage in meaningful discussions, explore innovative financing solutions, and collaborate on strategies to bring major rail projects to life



MOU Stage

Where groundbreaking agreements are forged, setting the course for the future of the transport industry

Expanding Horizons: Key Focus Areas

In 2025, Global Rail will spotlight focused sectors, presenting a comprehensive vision of the entire value chain. With new profiles at the show, participants will not only experience cutting-edge technology but also engage with a wider community of buyers and decision-makers.

Roads, Traffic & Mobility

As urbanisation accelerates, the demand for efficient, safe, and eco-friendly transport systems grows. The Roads & Traffic Focus Sector at Global Rail 2025 addresses these challenges, spotlighting innovations, sustainable solutions, and future trends. Explore strategies for overcoming congestion, pollution, and infrastructure gaps while fostering collaboration to build resilient urban mobility networks.



Ports

Handling over 80% of global trade by volume, ports are vital nodes in the supply chain, connecting sea, land, and air transport. At Global Rail, the dedicated Ports Focus Sector highlights their critical role in the transportation ecosystem, fostering dialogue on industry challenges and the path to greater integration.

Logistics & Supply Chain

As globalisation expands, efficient logistics and supply chain networks are essential for seamless trade and economic growth. These systems connect producers, suppliers, and consumers, ensuring the timely delivery of goods worldwide. The Logistics & Supply Chain Focus Sector at Global Rail 2025 highlights advancements in technology, sustainability, and infrastructure to address these challenges and enhance efficiency.



Construction & Infrastructure

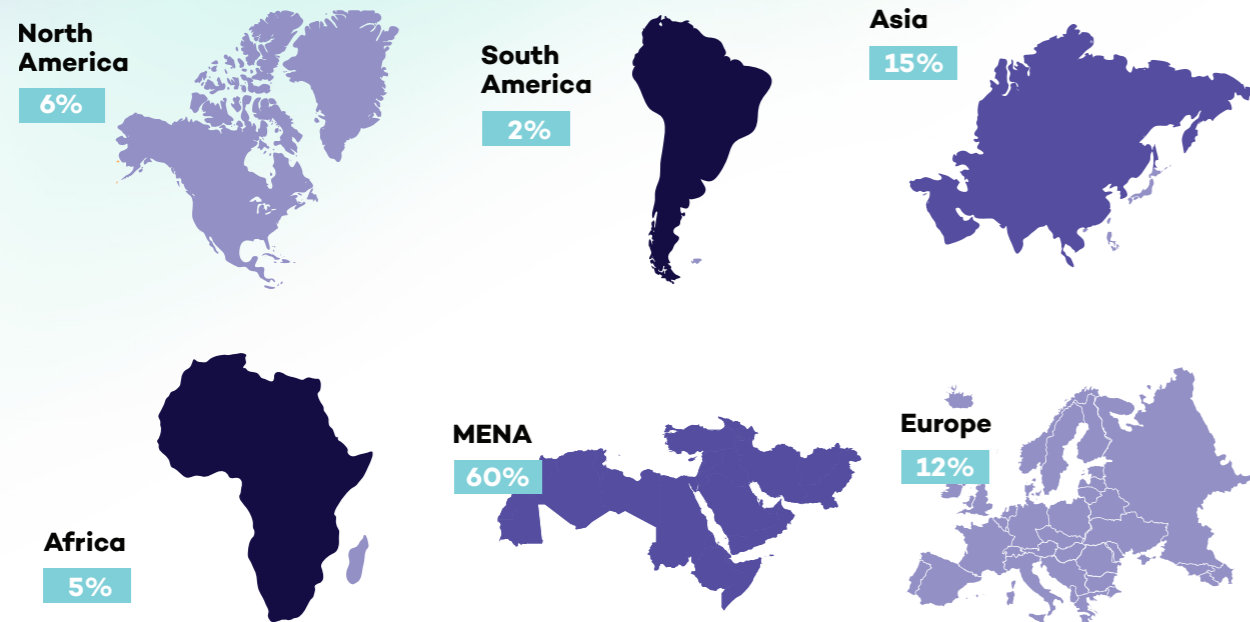
Infrastructure is the foundation of economic growth, urban development, and environmental progress. The Construction & Infrastructure Focus Sector at Global Rail 2025 showcases cutting-edge solutions, smart technologies, and sustainable practices driving the industry forward.



Visitor Profile Overview

Global Rail welcomes thousands of C-suite, senior executives, industry leaders and government officials from around the world, asserting the UAE's status as a premier hub for transportation and trade. This event attracts buyers and decision-makers from every corner of the globe and across the entire value chain, offering unparalleled networking opportunities.

Visitors by Region

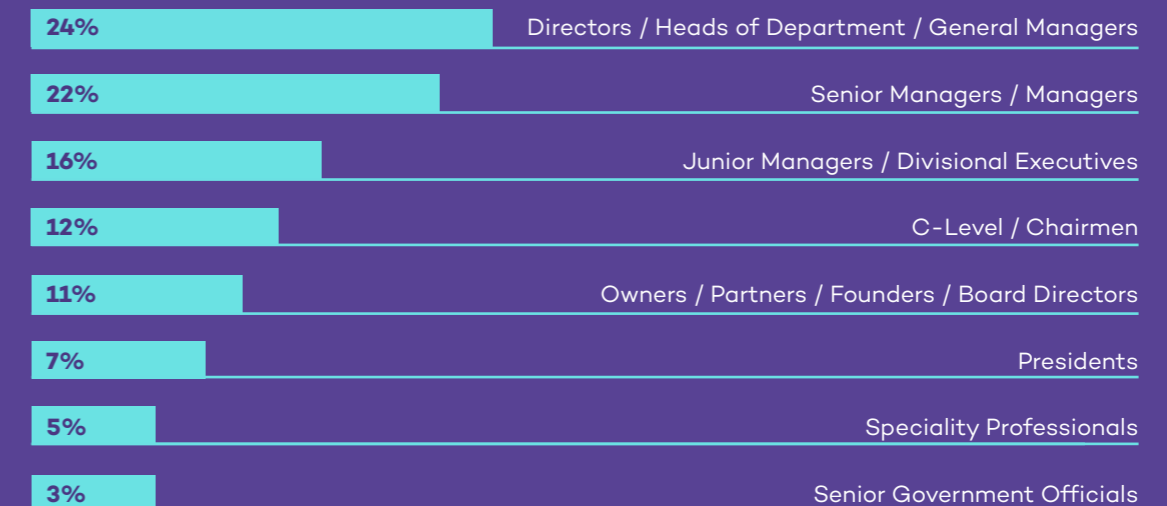


Visitors Nature of Business



Visitors by Seniority

79% Senior Decision Makers



Spain is at the forefront and we want to be where there are opportunities, and of course that means here: in the United Arab Emirates. I want to applaud this country for its courageous commitment to railways and high speed.

H.E. Óscar Puente

Minister of Transport and Sustainable Mobility
Spain

Conferences Overview

The three-day Conference programs will bring ministers, policy makers, transport operators, financiers, technology pioneers, and infrastructure leaders together to drive intermodal integration, promote sustainable financing models, foster innovation and realise the interconnected, sustainable transport ecosystems of tomorrow. The event will gather over 200 speakers including policymakers, financiers, operators, transport authorities, engineers and tech pioneers to shape global transport dialogue and drive the collaboration needed to realise connected communities, resilient supply chains and revolutionise the movement of people and goods across urban communities, cities, and borders.

Conferences In Numbers

200+

Global Speakers

40+

Impactful Sessions

40+

Hours of Insights

Opening Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony of Global Rail 2025 will inaugurate the event, emphasizing the shared commitment to driving change in the rail and transport sectors. Featuring keynotes and ministerial panels, the Opening Ceremony will underscore the importance of collaboration, sustainable practices, and cutting-edge technology in building the resilient, interconnected transport ecosystems of tomorrow.



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His Excellency Shadi Malak

CEO
Etihad Rail



Strategic Conference

The Global Rail Strategic Conference will gather over 120+ thought leaders and industry experts from across the rail, transport, freight and logistics, and mobility value chain to discuss the latest project updates, innovations, and technology to drive integration, digitalisation and harmonisation across transport modes and networks.

Through a series of panel discussions, fireside chats and exclusive project insights, the Strategic Conference will act as a global platform for driving transformation and progress in the global transportation sector. Policymakers, c-suite and senior decision makers pioneering policies, innovation and project implementation, will convene to discuss critical challenges and opportunities to drive progress towards sustainable, interconnected and resilient transport networks of tomorrow.



Technical Conference

The Global Rail Technical Conference brings together the most skilled technical experts from across the transport sector—changemakers at the forefront of engineering, technology, and industry innovation. Showcasing the latest advancements that have the potential to transform the movement of people and goods at both the local and global level and spotlighting the achievements of industry pioneers, the conference serves as a hub for innovation, reimagining the transport landscape and advancing a connected, smart and sustainable future for transportation networks.



Strategic Conference Overview

120 + Senior decision makers, including Ministers, C-Suite, SVPs and VPs driving transportation innovation, policy, procurement, and project implementation from:

- Ministries
- Transport operators and authorities
- Network operators
- Rolling stock and OEMs
- Freight forwarding and logistics
- Financiers and investors
- Engineering and design
- Industry consortiums
- Technology providers
- Signalling and communications



Strategic Conference in Numbers

120+

Strategic Conference Speakers

15+

Ministers

120+

Global CEOs from Rail, Port, and Transport Operators

60+

Sessions Featuring Global Thought Leaders, Policymakers, and Decision-Makers

Strategic Conference Themes

- High-Speed Rail project delivery
- Intermodal operations
- Regulations and compliance
- End-to-end sustainable transport
- First-last mile
- Policy and governance
- Sustainable financing and investment
- Urban planning and transit-oriented development
- Interoperability and network harmonisation
- Safety and Security
- AI and Automation
- Multi-modal integration

New for 2025

- Metro and light rail
- Freight logistics and warehousing
- Mobility-as-a-service (MaaS)
- Multi-modal integration
- Future cities
- Smart mobility solutions



Strategic-Conference

Previous Edition Featuring Global Ministers, CEOs, and Industry Thought Leaders



His Excellency Suhail Mohamed Al Mazrouei
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United Arab Emirates



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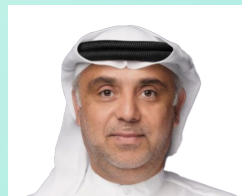
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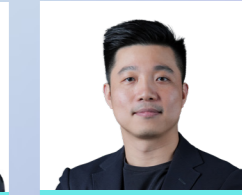
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Technical Conference Overview

Developed through a rigorous call-for-papers process and assessed by formal peer review (technical committee), the Global Rail Technical Conference is truly crafted by the industry, for the industry. This dynamic forum highlights cutting-edge technologies, compelling case studies, innovative research, and impactful collaborations from leading industry players, academia, consortiums, and research institutions. The conference explores how advancements in smart mobility, technology integration, AI, infrastructure, and operations can transform the transport landscape. By fostering innovation and collaboration, it aims to build smarter, more efficient, and interconnected ecosystems that create value for stakeholders across the rail, transport, and mobility value chain



Speakers Profile

Engineers, Heads of Innovation and R&D, Project Managers, Directors and Senior decision makers from:

- Transport and network operators
- Port operators and authorities
- Industry consortiums
- Academia
- Technology providers
- Rolling stock and OEMs
- Freight and Logistics
- Construction and infrastructure
- Signalling and Communications
- Project planning and finance
- Engineering and design

Technical Conference Categories

- Passenger Experience
- Rolling stock innovation
- Safety and Security
- Urban Planning and TOD
- High-Speed Rail
- Innovation in construction and infrastructure
- Digitalisation, AI and Automation

New for 2025

- Asset and Lifecycle Management
- Intermodal Operations
- Signalling and Communications
- Seamless Passenger Mobility
- End-to-end sustainable transport



Technical-Conference

Beyond the Conference

Roundtables

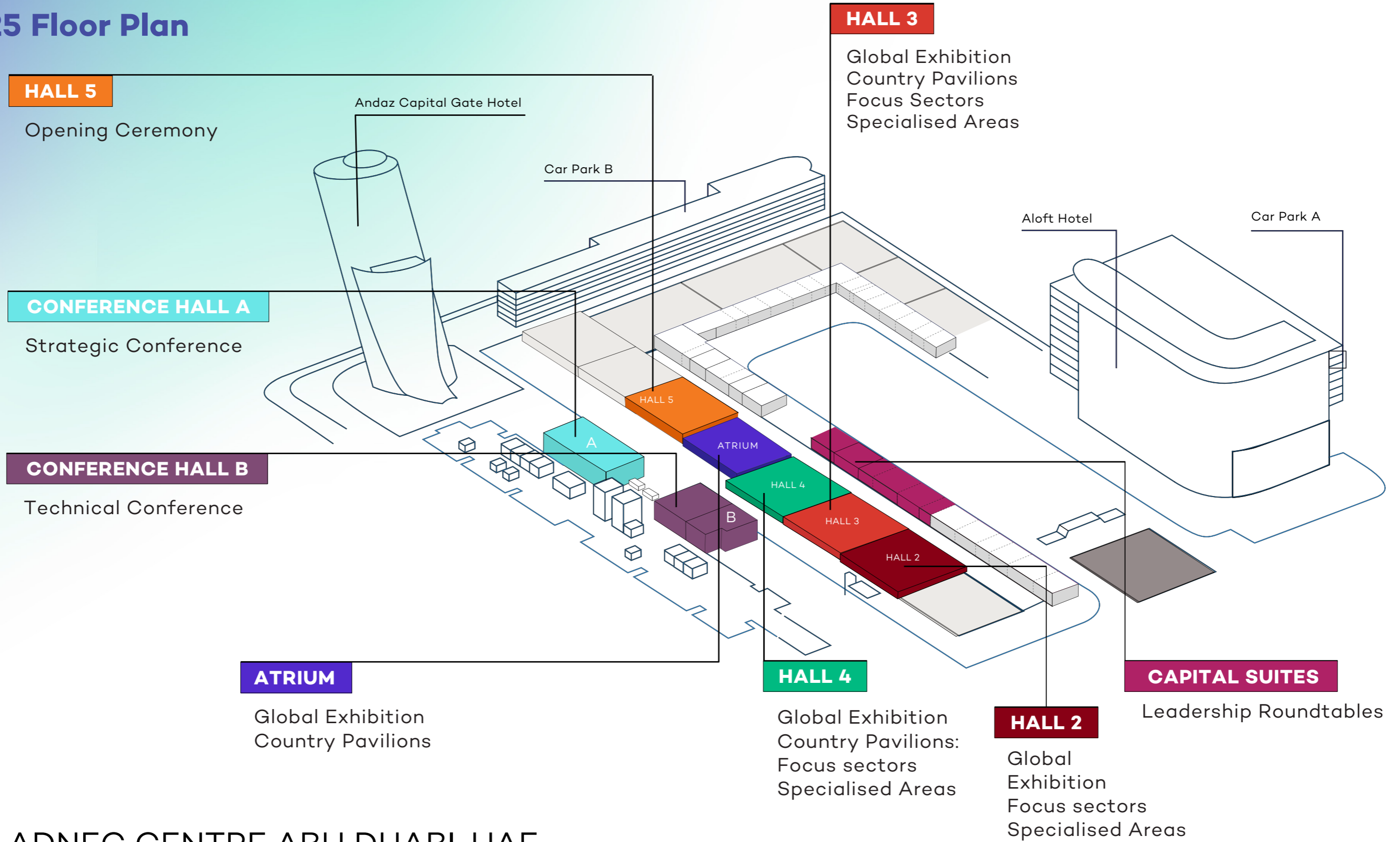
Our Round Tables offers exclusive, closed-door, invite-only sessions that convene leaders from across the rail, transport, and mobility value chains. These carefully curated discussions are designed to address the industry's most pressing challenges and collaboratively develop innovative solutions that deliver tangible benefits for project stakeholders, policymakers, and senior decision-makers.

Workshops

Global Rail Workshop Series offers hands-on, interactive sessions designed to equip attendees with practical insights, tools, and strategies to address key challenges and opportunities in the rail, transport, and mobility sectors. Led by industry experts, these workshops provide a deep dive into critical topics, fostering learning, collaboration, and actionable takeaways.



2025 Floor Plan



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