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## INTRODUCTION

A new year and a new format for our newsletter. Its a sleeker, event driven format which will assist you in finding out what's going on more easily.

Wishing you a prosperous 2009.

## ABU DHABI

<i>Event</i>	In-1
<i>Description</i>	A new contemporary dance theatre piece, featuring french screen icon Juliet Binoche with acclaimed british choreographer Akram Khan.
<i>Where</i>	Emirates Palace Hotel, Abu Dhabi.
<i>When</i>	28th - 29th of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.emiratespalace.com">www.emiratespalace.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Symphonic Masterworks - Scandinavian Landscapes
<i>Description</i>	An evening of Nordic music by the composers Jean Sibelius and Edvard Grieg as well as Tchaikovsky's beloved Fourth Symphony, performed by Helsinki's Sibelius Academy Orchestra under Finnish conductor Jukka-Pekka Saraste.
<i>Where</i>	Emirates Palace Auditorium, Abu Dhabi.
<i>When</i>	Friday, 6th of February, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.abudhabi-classics.com">www.abudhabi-classics.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Al Ain Aerobatic Show
<i>Description</i>	The Al Ain Aerobatic Show incorporates the FAI World Grand Prix, with military and civilian pilots competing in formation and freestyle. Competition will be fierce for the season opening Aero GP Al Ain - the multi-discipline aerobatics event and the only international air racing series with multiple airplanes simultaneously competing against each other (a sport called 'pylon racing').
<i>Where</i>	Al Ain International Airport
<i>When</i>	28th - 31st of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.alainaerobaticshow.com">www.alainaerobaticshow.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	The Bride Show
<i>Description</i>	The Bride Show features suppliers of all products and services necessary for a perfect wedding day, from haute couture fashion, crystal embellished accessories and jewellery to photography, flower design and wedding cakes.  The show is targeted principally at Emirati ladies and their families as well as expatriate Arabs.
<i>Where</i>	Abu Dhabi Exhibition Centre
<i>When</i>	21st - 24th of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.adnec.ae">www.adnec.ae</a>

<i>Event</i>	Oil and Gas Construction Project Risk Management
<i>Description</i>	2nd Annual Oil & Gas Construction Project Risk Management conference, safeguarding the success of your projects. The region's leading construction risk management event dedicated to the oil and gas industry returns to reveal the latest technologies and strategies that the oil and gas industry and EPC contractors are using to minimize risk and safeguard construction projects.
<i>Where</i>	Le Meridien Hotel, Abu Dhabi
<i>When</i>	25th - 28th of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.iqpc.com">www.iqpc.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	World Future Energy Summit
<i>Description</i>	The focus of this prestigious event will be on Air, Energy, Water, and Waste, providing an ideal platform to promote products and services that relate to these very important elements. Official bodies pertaining to environmental matters from the MENA countries (Middle East and North Africa) and the rest of the world will be very prominent at Environment 2009.
<i>Where</i>	Abu Dhabi Exhibition Centre
<i>When</i>	19th - 21st of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.adnec.ae">www.adnec.ae</a>

## BAHRAIN

<i>Event</i>	Azrek Hal Marathon
<i>Description</i>	This 21.1 km race starts at the Marina Club near Al Fateh highway, passes Mina Salman through Shaikh Khalifa causeway and extends right up to the Hidd highway which is set as the halfway mark and point of return. Registration is BD3 for members and BD10 for non-members.
<i>Where</i>	Marina Club,
<i>When</i>	23rd of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	Web: <a href="http://www.marinaclub.info">www.marinaclub.info</a>

<i>Event</i>	Arcapita International Open Chess Championship
<i>Description</i>	The event is organised by the Bahrain Chess Club (BCC) and has a total of \$16000 to be awarded in prizes. All-matches will be played in Swiss-system format. It will feature up to 100 top international talents from all over the world.
<i>Where</i>	Bahrain Chess Club
<i>When</i>	23rd of January to 3rd of February, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.bahrainchessclub.com">www.bahrainchessclub.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Motor Racing Weekend
<i>Description</i>	With the GP2 Asia Series and Speed Car racing.
<i>Where</i>	Bahrain International Circuit
<i>When</i>	23rd to 24th of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.bahraingp.com.bh">www.bahraingp.com.bh</a>

<i>Event</i>	Autumn Fair
<i>Description</i>	<p>The Autumn Fair is the Middle East's annual home and gift fair featuring over 500 local and international suppliers who offer visitors the chance to discover an eclectic collection of goods ranging from rugs, carpets, spices and tapestries to wooden crafts and clothing.</p> <p>Everyone will be delighted by the rich array of home wares and delicious eateries under the one roof that creates an intoxicating atmosphere resemblant of a large carnival- right here in the heart of Bahrain for nine exciting days.</p>
<i>Where</i>	Bahrain International Exhibition Centre
<i>When</i>	21st to 29th of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.theautumnfair.com">www.theautumnfair.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Gulf Industry Fair
<i>Description</i>	<p>Organized by Hilal Conferences &amp; Exhibitions (HCE), the Fair provides a highly targeted opportunity for any company or organization marketing products or services aimed at the growing industrial sector of the region.</p> <p>Gulf Industry Fair covers the key industrial segments including aluminum, metal, automation, metrology, energy, logistics and manufacturing. The Fair also provides an unique opportunity for the operators of industrial areas and free zones to meet an interested market of decision makers in the manufacturing and distribution sectors</p>
<i>Where</i>	Bahrain International Convention & Exhibition Centre
<i>When</i>	13th to 15th of January, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.gulfindustryfair.com">www.gulfindustryfair.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Art Exhibition
<i>Description</i>	Zimbabwean artist Demi Mcleod brings Africa's wildlife, cherubs and nature to canvas in her first solo exhibition titled 'Ephemeral space.' Her representational and semi-abstract creations reflect her emotions and reflections on life. Expect to see huge artworks drawing inspiration from the Renaissance period.
<i>Where</i>	The Gulf Hotel
<i>When</i>	29th of January to 7th of February, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.gulfhotelbahrain.com">www.gulfhotelbahrain.com</a>

## DUBAI

<i>Event</i>	Dubai Desert Classic (PGA European Tour)
<i>Description</i>	Top golfers from around the world will compete at the 7,301-yard, par- 72 Majlis Course. Carved from the desert, the Majlis course - with its lush fairways and large quick greens - uses the natural terrain of the land to provide a formidable test of golf.
<i>Where</i>	Emirates Golf Club, Dubai
<i>When</i>	26th of January to 1st of February, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.dubaidesertclassic.com">www.dubaidesertclassic.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Dubai International Racing Carnival
	Nine weeks of prestigious horse-racing and social events culminates in the Dubai

<i>Description</i>	World Cup, one of horse racing's biggest contests. Live music, wine tastings, fashion shows, picnics, family activities and more at Nad al-Sheba racetrack, past Oud Metha Road, Bur Dubai.
<i>Where</i>	Nad al-Sheba racetrack
<i>When</i>	January 15 to March 5th, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.dubairacingclub.com">www.dubairacingclub.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Dubai Shopping Festival
<i>Description</i>	One of the biggest events of the year, electrifying the city with concerts, art exhibits, street performers and sports activities. Shopping malls have big sales, and there are rides and shops at every turn and massive fireworks displays each night. Book hotels and flights well in advance—everything fills up early with nearly 2.7 million visitors annually.
<i>Where</i>	Dubai Shopping Malls
<i>When</i>	January 15th to February 15th, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.mydsf.com">www.mydsf.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Arab Health Exhibition & Congress
<i>Description</i>	The Arab Health exhibition and congress is the region's premier event for the Middle East bringing healthcare manufacturers, wholesalers, dealers and distributors together with some of the most important and influential decision-makers in the Arab world.
<i>Where</i>	Dubai International Convention & Exhibition Centre
<i>When</i>	January 26th to 29th, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.arabhealthonline.com/">www.arabhealthonline.com/</a>

## QATAR

<i>Event</i>	Motor Racing
<i>Description</i>	Qatar National Road Racing Championship (QNRRCH).  This Championship is organized by Qatar Motor and Motorcycle Federation (QMMF). It will be composed by five events and the points obtained in each race will count toward the Qatar National Road Racing Championship.
<i>Where</i>	Losail Circuit
<i>When</i>	January 30th to 31st, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.circuitlosail.com">www.circuitlosail.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Qatar Masters (European PGA Tour)
<i>Description</i>	Adam Scott, who has won this tournament twice, will defend his title in this year's event in Doha.
<i>Where</i>	Doha, Qatar
<i>When</i>	January 22nd to 25th, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.qatar-masters.com">www.qatar-masters.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	Gas Hydrate Challenges in the Oil and Gas Industry
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<i>Description</i>	This workshop will bring together a range of industry professionals into an environment where they can brainstorm, troubleshoot, and discuss the fundamental understanding of all aspects of hydrate management.
<i>Where</i>	Doha, Qatar
<i>When</i>	January 18th to 21st, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.spe.org/events">www.spe.org/events</a>

<i>Event</i>	Laughter Factory
<i>Description</i>	Lineup: Paul Sinha, Andre Vincent and Andy Askins
<i>Where</i>	Ramada Plaza, Doha
<i>When</i>	January 11th to 12th, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.thelaughterfactory.com">www.thelaughterfactory.com</a>

<i>Event</i>	The Qatar Projects Conference
<i>Description</i>	This event will comprehensively cover developments in both the energy and non-energy sectors, bringing together regional and international decision-makers and stakeholders to discuss new projects, issues and trends, and explore the wealth of business opportunities in Qatar.
<i>Where</i>	Four Seasons, Doha
<i>When</i>	January 18th to 20th, 2009
<i>Link</i>	<a href="http://www.meedconferences.com">www.meedconferences.com</a>

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