



Middle East Iron and Steel 2025 Madinat Jumeirah

Monday 17 November, 2025

9am Registration Opens

9am - 11am Breakfast and Refreshments and Bookable Networking Areas Open

Chair: Ramia Farrage, Forbes

11:00 - 11:50 Welcome Address and Opening Keynotes

Eng. Saeed Ghumran Al Remeithi, Group CEO, Emsteel

His Excellency Omar Ahmed Suwaina Al Suwaidi, Under-Secretary, Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology

Raju Daswani, Chief Executive Officer, Fastmarkets [20]

11:50 - 12:30 C-Suite Panel Discussion: MENA in the New Geopolitical Landscape

What are the geopolitical risks, including tariffs and how will they impact the MENA steel industry's competitiveness?

How can the steel sector reinforce economic diversification and growth in the MENA region?

What role will green steel production play in meeting regional and global sustainability targets?

Where should strategic investments in new steel projects be focused to in the new geopolitical environment

How can the MENA steel industry future-proof its operations in response to new trade flows

Eng. Saeed Ghumran Al Remeithi, Group CEO, Emsteel (tbc)

Sharjeel Azhar, Chief Executive Officer, Al-Ittefaq Steel

Rafic Daou, Vice Chairman and Managing Director, Suez Steel

Dilip George, CEO, Bahrain Steel

Harssha Shetty, CEO, Jindal Steel, Oman

Moderator: Raju Daswani, Chief Executive Officer, Fastmarkets

12:30 - 2:00 Exhibition Opening Ceremony, Lunch and Networking

2:00-2:45 Market Intelligence Unpacked

How are surging U.S. tariffs reshaping global demand and supply forecasts for 2025?

Is iron ore entering a two tiered world and what does that mean for high grade versus low grade pricing?

Can green hydrogen DRI and modular electrolytic technologies scale fast enough to disrupt traditional steel geopolitics?

How are geopolitical tensions and resource nationalism reshaping regional raw material strategies?

Is scrap and the circular steel economy the dark horse of decarbonisation strategies?

Serife Durmus, Senior Price Reporter, Fastmarkets

Kimberly Leppold, Head of Steel Research, Fastmarkets

Lee Allen, Senior Strategic Markets Editor, Recycled Materials, Fastmarkets



Marina Shulga, Team Leader, Steel & Ferro-alloys, EMEA, **Fastmarkets**

Miriam Falk, Senior Commodity Analyst, **Fastmarkets**

Moderator: Andrew Wells, Editorial & Pricing Director, Ferrous Metals & Mining, **Fastmarkets**

2:45-3:30 Panel Discussion: Strategy, Scale and the Race to Green

How are geopolitical pressures, including tariffs, trade shifts and regional conflicts, reshaping investment and growth?

How are regional CEOs aligning decarbonisation with long-term profitability and competitiveness?

What role will MENA play in the global shift toward net zero production, green steel and low-carbon supply chains?

Where is capital being deployed today to meet tomorrow's steel demand and how fast must transformation happen?

Rewant Ruia, Director and Founding Family Member, **Essar Steel** (tbc)

Hassan Elmarakby, Chief Executive Officer, **Elmarakby Steel Group**

Dr. Salam Al Sharif, Chairman, **Sharif Metals Group**

Asam Hussain, Chief Executive Officer, **Arabian Gulf Steel Industries - AGSI** (tbc)

Moderator: Ravi Singh, Former Chief Executive Officer, **SULB** (Confirmed)

3:30 - 4:00 Afternoon Break and Networking

4:00 - 4:45 Panel Discussion: The Voice of the Customer – What Buyers Really Want Now

How are construction firms and end-users redefining sustainability expectations across the steel supply chain?

What level of transparency on emissions, certification, and traceability is now a non-negotiable in procurement decisions?

In a market balancing decarbonisation with cost pressures, how are buyers weighing green credentials against pricing?

Which supplier attributes will command long-term trust in 2025 and beyond?

Dr Khaled Al-Hajeri, VP, Building Materials, **National Industrial Development Center (NIDC)**

Steven Yule, Director of Digital & Data, **Jacobs**

Moderator: Kimberly Leppold, Head of Steel Research, **Fastmarkets**

4:45 - 5:30 Panel Discussion: Steel, Sovereignty and the New Capital Equation: Who Pays for Decarbonisation?

Rising debt costs: can decarbonisation projects proceed without state-backed guarantees?

Industrial sovereignty: should governments subsidise "green steel" or let markets decide?

CBAM and carbon tariffs: discipline for parity or protectionist trade barriers?

Shifting cost curves: who wins? Global majors with capital, or Middle Eastern producers with cheap energy?

Praneet Gupta, Director Portfolio Management, **ADQ** (tbc)

Catriona Bell, Director, Metals & Mining Transition Finance, **Standard Chartered Bank**

William Husband, Global Head of Metals & Mining, London & UK Head of Industrials, **Citi**

Erik van Doezum, Head of Metals, Mining & Fertilizers Germany and Global Steel Lead, **ING**

Moderator: Andrew Wells, Editorial & Pricing Director, Ferrous Metals & Mining, **Fastmarkets**

5:30 End of Day One



Day Two | Tuesday 18 November 2025

08:00 Day Two Registration, Arrival and Refreshments

9:00 - 9:10 Keynote Address: Ahmed Bin Sulayem, Executive Chairman, DMCC (tbc)	
Global Horizons	Decarb Dynamics
<p>9:10 - 9:50 Panel: Scaling Green Steel to Global Export Markets</p> <p>Evaluating demand signals, trade alignment and green premium potential to identify the markets present the most strategic growth opportunities for MENA steel</p> <p>What infrastructure, investment and policy frameworks are essential to expand export capacity sustainably?</p> <p>How can MENA producers strengthen resilience and predictability across export logistics with digital tracking, redundancy in routes, geopolitical risk and decarbonised supply chains?</p> <p>Are trade finance structures, payment risk and currency exposure limiting MENA's global reach and how can that change?</p> <p>Ramy Saleh, Chief Business Development & Sustainability Officer, El Marakby Steel</p> <p>Abu Bucker Ahmed Husain, Chief Executive Officer, Al Ghurair Iron & Steel</p> <p>Rajesh Singh, General Manager, United Iron and Steel</p> <p>Aurélien Cadars, SVP EMEA, Calderys</p> <p>Moderator: Moderator: Vlada Novokreshchenova, Senior Price Reporter, Fastmarkets</p>	<p>9:10 - 9:50 Panel: Securing the DRI Future: Raw Materials, Feedstock and Capacity Expansion</p> <p>How are mining and pelletising investments evolving to meet the region's growing DRI feedstock needs?</p> <p>What infrastructure and logistics upgrades are critical to support long-term growth in DRI and HBI capacity?</p> <p>Where are the gaps in regional pellet supply and what's being done to close them?</p> <p>How are steelmakers aligning decarbonisation goals with scrap, DRI and HDI integration in commercial operations?</p> <p>Dr. Sebastian Langendorf, CEO, Meranti Green Steel</p> <p>Kaushalendra Prasad, Director, Star Global</p> <p>Vivek Nishant Nath, Chief General Manager (Sales and Marketing), Odisha Mining Corporation</p> <p>José Noldin, President, Gravithy</p> <p>Moderator: Marina Shulga, Team Leader, Steel & Ferro-alloys, EMEA, Fastmarkets</p>



9:50 - 10:30 Panel Discussion: Powering the Future of Steel

How are Middle East steelmakers securing reliable, cost-competitive power while meeting net zero targets? What role will green hydrogen, renewables and CCUS (carbon capture, utilisation and storage) play in scaling decarbonised steel production? How are governments, utilities and industry collaborating to balance energy security with investment in cleaner power? What timelines and business models are most realistic for integrating hydrogen and low-carbon power into steelmaking at scale?

Paolo Magaldi, Chief Executive Officer, **Magaldi**

Cyril Duchanois, VP Decarbonization Metals, **One B2B Solutions**, **TotalEnergies SE**

Mathieu Sanchez, Sr Engineer, CTH, Steelmaking electrification, **GE Vernova** (tbc)

Jorden van Dam, General Manager, **Green Energy Oman** and Business Opportunity Manager (Low-Carbon Hydrogen and CCS), **Oman Shell** (tbc)

9:50 - 10:30 Panel Discussion Pelletising

How resilient is the global supply of high-grade iron ore, hydrogen, and energy needed for DRI, and what risks could constrain future growth?

With global demand for low-carbon steel accelerating, how will producers balance the race to expand capacity with the realities of limited feedstock and infrastructure?

What scale of investment, policy support, and partnerships are required to ensure reliable DRI production across MENA and other key regions?

As global competition for green steel intensifies, which regions and companies are best positioned to secure resources and shape the next phase of the DRI market?

Gustavo Selayzim, CFO, **Samarco**

Vidya Rattan VR Sharma, Vice Chairman, **Vulcan Steel**
Senior Representative, **Bahrain Steel** (tbc)

Moderator: **Marina Shulga**, Team Leader, Steel & Ferro-alloys, EMEA, **Fastmarkets** (Confirmed)

10:30 - 11:00 Networking Break

11:00 - 11:15 Jianlong's Strategy for Growth and Resilience

How will China's largest private steelmakers balance capacity growth with decarbonisation and global trade headwinds?

What role can Jianlong's vast resource base and integrated industrial chain play in stabilising raw material supply for international partners?

How are Chinese steelmakers navigating shifting demand in the Middle East and Africa, and what opportunities does this open for long-term cooperation?

What lessons can global peers draw from Jianlong's diversification into energy, chemicals and advanced manufacturing to withstand market volatility?

Star Liu, Snr Manager International, **Jianlong Group** (tbc)

11:00 - 11:15 Cold Briquettes and Decarbonisation: Update on Vale's Low-Carbon Iron Ore Initiatives

Latest developments in Vale's cold briquetting technology and pilot/commercial deployment timelines

Role of cold briquettes in reducing emissions across different steelmaking routes

Integration with customers' decarbonisation strategies and market feedback to date

How these initiatives fit into Vale's broader low-carbon roadmap and investment priorities for 2025–2030

Débora Gracio, Market and Business General Manager - Iron Ore Briquettes Business Development, **Vale**



<p>11:15 - 11:50 Panel Discussion: Asia in Focus: How Low-Carbon Steel Innovation and Global Value Chain Reorganisation Are Reshaping the Industry</p> <p>How are Asia's leading steelmakers advancing low-carbon steel production and green supply chains? What is the impact of new environmental regulations on Asia steel output and export profile? How are Asian producers partnering with Middle Eastern buyers on low-carbon steel solutions? How will global value chains for green steel evolve — and what role will Asia play in driving them?</p> <p>Star Liu, Snr Manager International, Jianlong Group Stefano Maggiolino, President & CEO, Tenova HYL Huseyin Ocakci, Deputy General Manager, CIEC International Priyanka Agrawal, Lead, Steel Market, Wood Mackenzie</p>	<p>11:15 - 11:30 Understanding Champion's DRPF Advantages in Pelletizing Performance</p> <p>Upgrading iron ore to 69% Fe – an explanation of the process Update on the completion of Champion's project Pelletizing performance of DR-grade Canadian iron ore (test results etc)</p> <p>François Lavoie, Senior Vice President, Sales, Technical Marketing and Product Development, Champion Iron</p>
	<p>11:30 - 11:50 Ferrous Scrap Outlook Market Briefing</p> <p>Scrap pricing, flows and structural change</p> <p>Lee Allen, Senior Strategic Markets Editor, Recycled Materials, Fastmarkets</p>
<p>11:50 - 12:30 Panel Discussion: Turkey's Steel at the Crossroads of Global Trade</p> <p>How are energy costs, capacity growth and raw material supply reshaping Turkey's competitiveness against GCC and Asian mills? To what extent will US tariffs, EU safeguards and CBAM redirect Turkey's export mix toward alternative markets? How are Turkish mills defending share in Egypt, Morocco and the Gulf while building new regional alliances? Can Turkey's geography, scrap supply and logistics hubs secure its role as a pivotal supplier in a decarbonising global market?</p> <p>Yasin Kanbur, General Manager Of Middle East Region, Hangzhou CIEC Group Gorkem Balaca, Managing Director, Galex Steel</p>	<p>11:50 - 12:30 MENA Ferrous Scrap Supply and Demand</p> <p>How is regional demand for ferrous scrap evolving in response to decarbonisation and electric arc furnace investment? Are current collection and processing capacities in MENA sufficient to meet future scrap demand? How are shifts in global trade flows and EU export restrictions impacting MENA scrap markets? What pricing trends and market dynamics are likely to shape regional scrap supply in the next two to three years?</p> <p>Hatim Senhaji, CEO, Maghreb Steel Deepak Bhandari, Chief Commercial Officer, Arabian Gulf Steel Industries, AGSI Eng. Satyajit Roy, Director, Elegant Exit Company</p>



<p>Sinan Bokzurt, EVP, Operations, Erdemir (tbc) Ömer Özal, Strategy and Business Development Manager – Raw materials Coordinator, Tosyalı Holding (tbc) Moderator: Şerife Durmuş, Senior Price Reporter Middle East & Turkey, Steel, Fastmarkets</p>	<p>Dr Mona Elmarakby, Chief Supply Chain Officer, Elmarakby Steel Moderator: Lee Allen, Senior Strategic Markets Editor, Recycled Materials, Fastmarkets</p>
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12:30 - 2:00 Networking lunch

<p>2:00 - 2:20 Rio Tinto Presentation West Africa Cecilia Silva, Simandou Commercial Director, Rio Tinto</p>	<p>2:00 - 2:20 Technological Advancements and Innovation in Steel Manufacturing Enea Pasquali, Key Account Manager, SMS Group</p>
<p>2:20 - 3:00 Panel Discussion West Africa's Iron Ore Surge Where will West African tonnes flow, and how will trade routes and customer use cases evolve as output rises? What will expanded West African supply do to the global cost curve, price formation and market liquidity? Which partnership and financing models best de-risk and scale assets such as Marampa and Simandou while securing logistics, governance and long-term stability? How will high grade West African ore align with CBAM and global decarbonisation to enable green steel corridors while managing political, logistical and climate risks? Melinda Moore, VP Innovation & Commercial, Development, Ivanhoe Atlantic (Confirmed) Moderator: Andrew Wells, Editorial & Pricing Director, Ferrous Metals & Mining, Fastmarkets</p>	<p>2:20- 3:00 Panel Discussion: Digital and AI-Driven Steelmaking From Data to Decarbonisation and Efficiency Where are the most immediate use cases for Digital and AI in optimising production planning, energy consumption and process control? How can AI-driven models turn plant data into measurable decarbonisation outcomes across blast furnaces, EAFs and downstream processes? What are the biggest barriers to integrating AI systems across the steel value chain, and how are producers overcoming them? How can steelmakers distinguish between useful insight and data “noise” to make AI-powered decisions that cut both costs and carbon intensity? Vladimir Arshinov, Group Chief Technology Officer, EmSteel (tbc) Baber Chowdhrey, Chief Strategy Officer, Aishasteel, ARif Habib Group Arvind Nerella, Founder & CEO, Da Vinci Moderator:</p>
<p>3:00 - 3:15 Saudi Arabia Scrap [15 minute presentation]</p>	<p>3:00 - 3:15 Laser Measurement & Gunning System for EAF-Steel ladle Automated in-service equipment monitoring Optimized furnace maintenance for superior performance. Jonathan Foulon, Technical Support Specialist Steel, Calderys</p>



<p>3:15 - 3:30 GE Vernova</p>	<p>3:15 - 3:30 Unlocking Opportunity with Natural Pellet in the MENA Iron & Steel Sector What makes natural pellet a viable replacement for sinter or DRI feedstock in MENA? How does its energy use and CO₂ footprint compare to traditional pellet or lump ore? Can natural pellet be integrated flexibly into both EAF and DRI production routes? What pricing and quality terms make it attractive for MENA steelmakers today? Paulo de Freitas Nogueira, Commercial and Marketing Commodities, LHG Mining (tbc)</p>
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3:30 - 4:00 Afternoon Break and Networking

<p>4:00 - 4:15 Paulo Carvalho</p>	<p>4:00 - 4:15 Next-Gen Robotics in Steelmaking How is robotic ladle shroud handling advancing safety and precision? What impact do slag detection and real-time monitoring have on efficiency? Can automation in flow control set new global benchmarks for steelmaking? How will robotics and digitalisation drive faster decarbonisation? Wessel Zietsman, Head of Technical Excellence & Solutions (Steel), Middle East, Türkiye & Africa region, RHI Magnesita</p>
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<p>4:15 - 4:30 Fireside Chat: Unicoil</p>	<p>4:15 - 4:30 [Presentation details tbc] Rafael Buzetti, Head of Sales, EMEA, Samarco</p>
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<p>4:30 - 4:45 Oman in Focus Soroush Basirat, Energy Finance Analyst, IEEFA Asia Pacific</p>	<p>4:30 - 4:45 Global Trade Flows in Flux: Strategic Outlook for Iron Ore and Steel in 2025–26 How is China’s position shifting, and what does this mean for global pricing, volatility and supply security? Which intra-regional corridors are accelerating trade – and how are Middle Eastern and South Asian dynamics changing the map? What impact is decarbonisation having on trade flows – are early-stage green steel corridors already taking shape? What should steel executives be watching in the macro environment – from sanctions to resource nationalism – to prepare for what’s next? Miriam Falk, Senior Commodity Analyst, Fastmarkets</p>
<p>4:45 - 5:30 New Trade Order: Redrawing the Global Map How will tariffs and new trade agreements reset cross-border steel flows? What shifts in DRI and HBI trade will redefine supply routes and pricing power? How will GASSA and CBAM reshape competitiveness and global market access? Where will infrastructure growth drive new demand, and who is best positioned to capture it? Ibtisam Ali Alsaadi, Director of Industrial Policies and Legislation Department, Industrial Policies and Legislation Department, Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology (MoiAT)</p>	<p>4:45 - 5:30 Panel Discussion: Steel Hubs at a Crossroads: Decarbonisation, Resilient Supply Chains and the Next Value-Chain Revolution How can hubs like Metal Park accelerate green steel with hydrogen-ready infrastructure and shared decarbonisation systems? What role can steel parks play in safeguarding supply chains amid tariffs, shipping disruption and shifting trade routes? Can clustering fabrication and downstream services within hubs cut import reliance and create new value-chains? Which financing and governance models will fund industrial parks while sharing the cost of decarbonisation fairly? Vahid Fouladkar, CEO, Metal Park</p>



Day Three: Wednesday 19 November 2025

08:00 Registration and Refreshments

08:00-09:00 Networking Breakfast: Next Generation Leaders

<p>Day Three Chair: Şerife Durmuş, Senior Price Reporter Middle East & Turkey, Steel, Fastmarkets</p>	
<p>09:00 - 09:50 Panel Discussion CBAM Turning Compliance into Competitive Advantage How will CBAM reshape trade flows between the EU and MENA, and what will this mean for regional export strategies? Can MENA producers leverage abundant renewable energy to position green steel as a premium export to Europe? What role will certification, traceability, and cross-border carbon accounting play in securing long-term market access? How can policy alignment and investment in low-carbon technologies transform CBAM from a cost burden into a growth driver for MENA steel?</p> <p>Fadi Al-Noaimi, Senior Research Fellow, Carboun Institute Moderator: Stuart Evans, Chief Economist, Fastmarkets</p>	<p>09:00 - 09:50 Decarbonisation, Carbon Capture and Breakthrough Innovations Which innovative decarbonisation pilots have moved beyond theory to deliver measurable emissions reductions, and what lessons can be scaled? How are partnership models enabling decarbonisation integration across complex industrial ecosystems? How will flagship initiatives shape regional implementation of decarbonisation technology Dr Arvind Bodhankar, Chief Sustainability Officer, ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India Grant Budge, CEO, Co-Founder, PeroCycle Andrew Fang, VP Projects and Sustainability, Meranti Moderator (tbc)</p>



<p>09:50 - 10:30 Panel: Certified Efficiency, Decarbonisation and Market Access How does CARES Certification empower UAE producers to meet global green steel benchmarks? Exploring data-driven compliance and certification to support decarbonisation strategies. Streamlining operations through certified quality and sustainability Positioning UAE steel at the forefront of sustainable infrastructure and low-carbon construction demand. Ayhan Tugrul, Chief Operating Officer, Cares Dr. Dimitrios Dimitriou, Vice President, ESG & Sustainability, EMSTEEL Gillian Shannon, Director - Structures Service Line Lead, Robert Bird Moderator: Vlada Novokreshchenova, Senior Price Reporter, Fastmarkets</p>	<p>09:50 - 10:30 Panel Discussion: Refractory Innovations Maximising Efficiency and Minimising Downtime in Steelmaking How can advances in refractory lining design and installation techniques extend ladle campaign life while reducing unplanned relining events? What role do data-driven monitoring and predictive maintenance play in minimising ladle downtime and ensuring continuous steel flow? In optimising slag chemistry and refractory wear resistance, what best practices deliver measurable improvements in steel quality and ladle performance? How can steelmakers balance the cost of refractory materials with the strategic value of longer ladle turnaround cycles and higher throughput? Waleed Sewilam, Head of Section Crane and Refractory, Melt shop, Qatar Steel (tbc) Wessel Zietsman, Head of Technical Excellence & Solutions (Steel), Middle East, Türkiye & Africa region, RHI Magnesita Jonathan Foulon, Technical Support Specialist Steel, Calderys Naveen Kapoor, Chief Sales Officer, ITE Moderator: Markus Abel, Managing Director, tripleS</p>
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10:30 - 11:00 Networking Break

<p>11:00 - 11:50 Panel: DRI vs Scrap: Strategic Choices What are the long-term cost and availability outlook for iron ore, scrap and DRI How is raw material sourcing strategy evolving in response to Scope 3 pressure and green steel mandates from global buyers? Can DRI scale to meet MENA's decarbonisation targets and what infrastructure is missing? How will freight volatility and carbon pricing reshape the economics of raw material trade flows throughout the MENA region? Zain Nathani, Managing Director, Nathani Group Mohamed Zada, General Manager, Suez Steel</p>	<p>11:00 - 11:15 Special Economic Zones & Industrial Clusters for Green Steel The role of SEZs and industrial cities in green steel investment How infrastructure co-location (energy, logistics, water) lowers emissions Attracting global offtakers and technology partners to infrastructure zones [AD Ports]</p>
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<p>Jawed Ahmed, Founder and CEO, Al Qaryan International DMCC, Dubai</p> <p>Dr Rajesh Kumar Agarwal, Executive Director, RKG International</p> <p>Dr John Atherton, Deputy Director General, IIMA</p> <p>Moderator: Lee Allen, Senior Strategic Markets Editor, Recycled Materials, Fastmarkets</p>	
	<p>11:15 - 11:30 Dust and Spillage: Hidden Threats to Safety and Efficiency in Steel Manufacturing</p> <p>How can preventing explosions and controlling hazardous materials such as DRI and other ATEX-classified substances help producers cut costs and improve working conditions? Which technologies are delivering the greatest impact, and why are they succeeding where others fail?</p> <p>Erfan Javani, Area Sales Manager – MENA, Türkiye, Sweden & Czech Republic, DISAB</p>
	<p>11:30 - 11:50 Next-Gen Flow Control: Enabling Green Steel Through Tundish Innovation and Automation</p> <p>How precision-engineered refractories and flow systems reduce energy loss and material waste</p> <p>Advanced tundish and slag control technologies that directly support green steel production</p> <p>The decarbonisation impact of process stability, longer campaign life, and predictive maintenance</p> <p>Hitting carbon targets without compromising output</p> <p>Berkley Childe, Marketing & Technology Director, Iron & Steel, Advanced Refractories EMEA, Vesuvius</p>
<p>11:50 - 12:30 Panel Discussion: Supply Chains Under Pressure: Shipping and Ports</p> <p>What investment is needed to equip MENA ports for future green steel volumes?</p> <p>How will decarbonisation reshape shipping costs, timelines and competitiveness for regional producers?</p>	<p>11:50 - 12:30 Panel Discussion Decarbonisation Technology</p> <p>What technologies are competitors scaling to cut emissions and how do the economics compare?</p> <p>Where are producers achieving the biggest cost savings through decarbonisation technology?</p>



<p>Can MENA lead low-carbon trade corridors linking Europe, Asia and Africa, and what infrastructure and policy shifts are critical?</p> <p>Marcos Abreu Ramos, Business Development & Commercial Manager, Metals & Mining, Porto do Açu</p> <p>Hassan Youssef, Managing Director, Bulk Egypt Company for Shipping Services</p> <p>Rizwan Saleem, Deputy General Manager, Export Sales, Aisha Steel Mills (tbc)</p> <p>Moderator: Alexis Ellender, Senior Lead, Dry Bulks Insight, Kpler</p>	<p>How are leading mills preparing for CBAM and carbon pricing through use of DRI, hydrogen and renewables? What must your technology roadmap include now to stay competitive into 2030?</p> <p>Lucian Cotor, Industrial Director, ArcelorMittal Tubular Products</p> <p>Alberto Bregante, CSO Sub-Region MEA, SMS Group</p> <p>Dr. Alexander Fleischanderl, Chief Technology Officer & Global Head of Green Steel, Executive Vice President, Primetals</p> <p>Robert Montgomery, Key Account Manager, Midrex</p> <p>Moderator: Markus Abel, Managing Director, triples</p>
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12:30 - 2:00 Networking lunch

<p>2:00 - 2:45 Workshop: The vital role of digitalization on the way to green steel production</p> <p>Decarbonizing the steel industry is a complex task that involves many technical aspects and technologies throughout the entire production route, from raw materials to finished products. A holistic approach to reducing carbon emissions includes process efficiency, heat recovery systems, adopting integrated plant solutions, exploring carbon capture options, and utilizing alternative technologies using natural gas and/or hydrogen as energy sources. Digital solutions play an important role in managing the complexity of integrated plants by enhancing efficiency, optimizing logistics and training, as well as providing support for operations and maintenance, ultimately leading to cost savings. This presentation explores how digitalization solutions are an integral part of the green transition, addressing key challenges across the various phases of transformation. It will highlight the importance of digitalization solutions for the decarbonization of the steel industry. However, investing in green transition projects also creates opportunities for accelerating digital transformation.</p>	<p>2:00 - 2:10 Welcome by SGX Commodities – Going from Strength to Strength</p> <p>Brenna Koh, Co-Head Global Commodity Sales, SGX Group</p> <p>2:10 - 2:30 Keynote:</p> <p>Geopolitics, Trade and Tariffs and their Impacts on the Commodity Markets</p> <p>2:30 - 2:45 Evolving Thermal Coal Demand amid Geopolitical Tensions and Trade Tariffs</p>
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<p>Kurt Herzog, Head of Industrial Digitalization, Primetals Technologies Wolfgang Sterrer, Vice President Direct Reduction, Primetals Technologies</p>	
<p>2:45- 3:30 Midrex Workshop <i>The Golden Age of Steel and the GCC's Transition to Green Ironmaking</i> As the world demand for DRI continues to increase, steelmakers in the GCC countries are uniquely positioned to lead the world in supply of green DRI. Innovative technology can provide the flexibility needed to profitably produce green DRI and will enable businesses to transition to 100% hydrogen-based DRI as hydrogen becomes available. This workshop took a deep dive into:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New tech revolutionising the industry • Global plant projects • Case study examples <p>Speaker: Robert Montgomery, Senior Plant Sales Manager, Middle East, Midrex Techno General Manager, Technical Sales & Marketing, logies Dr. Vincent Chevrier, Midrex Technologies</p>	<p>2:45 - 3:25 Panel Discussion: Decoding the Future of Coal amid Shifting Demand and Evolving Energy Transition Drive: Opportunities and challenges for coal Impact of energy transitions on demand and supply Roles of coal derivatives to navigate market volatility</p>
<p>3:30 - 4:00 Afternoon Break and Networking</p>	<p>3:25 - 3:40 Insights on India's Coking Coal Demand</p>



<p>4:00 - 4:45 Workshop: Green Metal Tech Driving high-quality and sustainable steel production</p> <p>How can steelmakers accelerate the path to net-zero while balancing rising energy costs and stricter regulations? Which breakthrough technologies are proving most effective in reducing emissions, optimising water use and cutting waste?</p> <p>How are automation and digitalisation improving efficiency and product quality while delivering cost savings?</p> <p>What role will resource management and circular economy models play in securing long-term competitiveness?</p> <p>Jozi Shuli, Vice President of Technical Sales, Hot Rolling for Flat Product, Danieli (tbc)</p> <p>Nicolò De Laura, Sales Manager, MIDA, Danieli (tbc)</p> <p>Mohab Mahmoud, Technical Sales Engineer, Danieli (tbc)</p>	<p>3:40 - 4:20 Panel: Reshaping Iron Ore – Navigating New Demand and Supply Frontier</p> <p>Outlook of demand in China, India, Middle East and S.E. Asia</p> <p>Supply trends from Australia and Brazil</p> <p>Market impact of Simandou</p> <p>How physical iron ore market is underpinning growth in derivatives markets</p> <p>4:20 - 4:35 Emerging New Global Trade Order and its Impact on Shipping</p> <p>4:35 - 5:15 Panel: Navigating the Future of Dry Bulk Shipping</p> <p>Geopolitical tensions and tariffs impact on dry bulk trade flow</p> <p>How physical shipping and underlying cargo developments can impact FFA growth</p> <p>Key factors of increasing financialization of FFAs</p> <p>Growth opportunities in FFAs</p> <p>5:15 - 5:30</p> <p>Global Scrap Market Trends: Insights into Key Market Drivers and Challenges</p>
<p>5:30 Close of MEIS 2025</p>	<p>5:30 - 7:30 SGX Networking reception</p>