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We are delighted to host you at World Defense Show 2024. Our action-packed program will keep you busy across all five days.

Our show features have been designed to deliver key platforms across all five defense domains - land, sea, air, space and security. The show features detailed in the program include live displays, knowledge transfer, topical debates, and opportunities to connect, collaborate, and network with key defense stakeholders and leaders.

We encourage you to review the program and visit as many WDS events, sessions and show features as possible.

The full program is also available in the World Defense Show app along with an interactive map to guide you around the showgrounds.

Please do download the app for your convenience. We trust you will have a successful and prosperous event.



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DAY 1

Sunday 4 February 2024

DAY 2

Monday 5 February 2024

Time	Name of Session/Display	
08:00 - 18:00	Exhibitor access	
10:00	Show opens	
11:00 - 11:05	Welcome speech	
11:05 - 11:30	Saudi Hawks show	
12:30 - 12:35	Future Defense Leadership Forum (by invitation only) 1 st Floor, Hall 2	Welcome speech - International Collaboration and Cooperation
12:35 - 12:40		Knowledge partner remarks
12:40 - 13:10		Conversation with a senior leader - Defense Force Readiness
13:10 - 13:20		Keynote - Security & Stability in the New Saudi Era
13:20 - 13:35		Fireside Chat - Enhancing KSA's Investment Ecosystem
13:35 - 14:15		Panel discussion - The People Challenge: Attracting, Upskilling and Retaining the Right Talent for the Defense Sector
14:15 - 15:00		Panel discussion - Innovating at the Speed of Relevance: Managing the Defense Technology Challenge
15:00 - 15:10		Keynote speaker TBA
15:10 - 15:15	Closing remarks	
15:00 - 16:00	Flying display	
16:00 - 18:00	Welcome reception (by invitation only)	
17:00	Show closes	

Time	Name of Session/Display	
08:00 - 18:00	Exhibitor access	
09:30 - 17:00	Show opens	
10:00 - 10:15	Future Defense Forum 1 st Floor, Hall 2	Vision 2030: Saudi's Defense Transformation
10:15 - 10:45		Keynote speech - Industry Response to Government Policies, Driving Innovation and Integration
10:45 - 11:00		Individual presentation - Innovation in the Maritime Domain
11:00 - 11:15		Individual presentation - Innovation in the Cybersecurity Domain
11:15 - 11:30		Individual presentation - Environmental Sustainability and Defense Industry
11:30 - 12:30		Panel discussion - Achieving Innovation Goals in the Defense Industry
13:30 - 14:30		Awards event - GAMI Innovation Awards
11:00 - 12:00	Land display	
12:30 - 13:30	Future Defense Forum networking lunch	
12:30 - 13:30	Defense Technology Theatre Hall 1	Meet the KSA Government
13:45 - 14:30		Maritime Technology & Innovation
14:30 - 15:00	Exploiting Innovation across the Battlespace	
12:30 - 13:15	Future Innovation Theatre Hall 2	Emerging Technologies
13:15 - 13:45		Pitching Session
13:45 - 14:30		Defense Innovation Units
14:30 - 15:00	Pitching Session	
12:30 - 13:00	Defense Space Theatre Hall 3	Changes in the Space Domain
13:00 - 13:45		The Interface between Space and Defense in Saudi Arabia
13:45 - 14:15		The Importance of Emerging Technology to the Space Sector
14:15 - 15:00		Space - The Challenges and Need for Collaboration
14:30 - 17:00	Flying display	
17:00	Show closes	

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DAY 3

Tuesday 6 February 2024

DAY 4

Wednesday 7 February 2024

Time	Name of Session/Display	
08:00 - 18:00	Exhibitor access	
09:30 - 17:00	Show opens	
10:00 - 10:20	Future Defense Forum 1 st Floor, Hall 2	Keynote speech - Transforming Aerospace and Defense for the 21 st century
10:20 - 11:00		Panel discussion - Civilian-Military Dynamics in Technology Development
11:00 - 11:15		Individual presentation - Spotlight on Advanced Technology Development - Robotics and Autonomous Systems Incl. Human-Machine Teaming and Swarms
11:15 - 11:30		Individual presentation - Spotlight on Advanced Technology Development - AI and IoMT
11:30 - 12:30		Conversation with senior leaders - Impact of Technology Advancements on Human Capital Capabilities in Defense
11:00 - 12:00	Land display	
12:30 - 13:30	Future Defense Forum networking lunch	
12:30 - 13:30	Defense Technology Theatre Hall 1	Meet the KSA Government
13:30 - 14:00		The Future of Human Machine Interface
14:00 - 14:30		Training Technology for Multi-Domain Operations
14:30 - 15:15		Exploitation of Disruptive Technologies
12:30 - 13:15	Future Innovation Theatre Hall 2	Interoperability & Integration
13:15 - 13:45		Pitching Session
13:45 - 14:30		Financing Early Stage Military Technology
14:30 - 15:00	Defense Space Theatre Hall 3	Pitching Session
12:30 - 13:00		Space: An Enabler for Defense Transformation
13:00 - 13:45		Innovations, Pioneering Technologies and the Future of Space
13:45 - 14:30		Governance challenges in Space and the need for International Collaboration
14:30 - 15:15	The Potential for Defense & Space Interoperability	
14:45 - 17:00	Flying display	
17:00	Show closes	

Time	Name of Session/Display	
08:00 - 18:00	Exhibitor access	
09:30 - 17:00	Show opens	
10:00 - 10:05	Future Defense Forum 1 st Floor, Hall 2	Welcome Remarks - Introduction
10:05 - 10:10		Keynote speech - Welcome Remarks - Mobilising a Diverse Future for Defense
10:10 - 10:40		Fireside chat - The Pace of Progress
10:40 - 11:30		Panel discussion - Investing in an Inclusive Future
11:30 - 11:45		Individual presentation - Diversity for Air & Space Innovation
11:45 - 12:00	Closing remarks	
11:00 - 12:00	Land display	
12:00 - 13:00	International Women In Defense networking lunch	
13:00 - 13:30	Defense Technology Theatre Hall 1	Advancing Defense Sector Through Diversity
13:30 - 14:15		Panel discussion - Spotlight on Women Disrupting Defense
14:15 - 14:45		Keynote - Women In Defense: Embracing The Opportunity
14:45 - 15:30		The Rise of Women in Technology Leadership
13:00 - 13:45	Future Innovation Theatre Hall 2	Leadership and Career Development
13:45 - 14:15		Pitching Session
14:15 - 15:00		Role Models and Visibility
15:00 - 15:30	Defense Space Theatre Hall 3	Pitching Session
13:00 - 13:30		Advancing the Space Sector through Diversity
13:30 - 14:15		The Role of Women in the Saudi Space Sector
14:15 - 14:45		International Women In Space
14:45 - 15:15	Space & Virtual World	
14:45 - 17:00	Flying display	
17:00	Show closes	

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DAY 5

Thursday 8 February 2024

Time	Name of Session/Display	
08:00 - 18:00	Exhibitor access	
09:30 - 17:00	Show opens	
10:00 - 10:05	Future Defense Forum 1 st Floor, Hall 2	Keynote - Ministry of Education
10:05 - 10:15		Individual presentation - Military Industries Human Capital Strategy
10:15 - 10:30		Individual presentation - The People Challenge: An Industrial Perspective
10:30 - 11:30		Panel discussion - The Human Capital Model for Defense Growth
11:30 - 11:45		Human Capability Development Program
11:45 - 12:00		Individual presentation - Closing Remarks
11:00 - 12:00	Land display	
12:00 - 13:00	Future Talent networking lunch	
12:30 - 13:00	Defense Technology Theatre Hall 1	Defense 4.0
13:00 - 13:45		The Role of Cyber & EMS in National Security
13:45 - 14:30		Green Defense: National vs Climate Security
14:30 - 15:15	Future Innovation Theatre Hall 2	Disruptive Technologies in Defense
12:30 - 13:15		Leadership Development
13:15 - 13:45		Innovation Ecosystem
13:45 - 14:30	Defense Space Theatre Hall 3	Technological Advancements in Recruitment
14:30 - 15:00		Entrepreneurship
12:30 - 13:00	Content Theatres Program	The Role of Space
13:00 - 13:45		Education and Industry Alignment in Space
13:45 - 14:30		Opportunities for Space Flight: Past, Present, and Future
14:30 - 15:15		Future Technology Capability in Space
14:45 - 17:00		Flying display
17:00	Show closes	



SHOW FEATURES

- WDS 2026 Stand
- Stc Stand
- Content Theatres (By Name)
- Future of Defense Hub
- Defense Space Arena
- B2B Connect
- Cultural Program
- Future of Defense Forum
- Delegations Lounge
- Premium Lounge

SHOW FACILITIES

- Main Entrance
- VIP Entrance
- Meeting Pods
- Food & Beverage
- Prayer Room
- Toilets
- Organizers Office
- Information Desks
- Main Cloakroom / Lost & Found
- VIP Cloakroom
- Medical Suite
- Pharmacy
- Media Centre
- ATM

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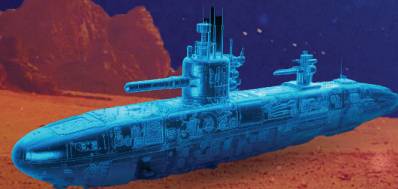


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