Climate Future Week
أسبوع المناخ المستقبلي

26 - 30 September 2023

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Imagining the Landscape of Tomorrow

MOTF Climate Future Week

Climate change presents the most significant challenge to life on our planet. But through collective action, we can build a sustainable path forward, safeguarding our planet for future generations.

Join us at the Museum of the Future to take part in a series of events, workshops, and activities that explore innovative ways to reduce our carbon footprint, combat climate change and accelerate our role in minimizing its impact.

Plenary sessions
A series of talks from UAE based and international leaders, delivering a variety of climate-focused topics

Short films on Loop
Screenings of award-winning, inspirational films on climate change and sustainability

Workshops
A series of workshops, designed to inform, educate and engage on all things climate

Regional Climate Photography Exhibition
A climate-themed photographic exhibition featuring works from international photographers showing the effects of climate change across the region

Climate Film Festival
Impactful stories from across the globe, highlighting the effects of climate change and the efforts to combat it

Day 1 — 26th of September

Plenary sessions

10:00 AM - 10:10 AM | MOTF Auditorium
Dubai's Climate Future: Mapping The Path Ahead
Fatiha Bakkar, Chief Executive Officer at Dubai Future Foundation

10:15 AM - 10:35 AM | MOTF Auditorium
The D33 And Sustainable Tourism
Issam Kazim, Executive Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of DCT Abu Dhabi

10:40 AM - 10:50 AM | MOTF Auditorium
Innovation In Nature Conservation
Lulu Mostafa Abdullatif, Director General at Emirates Nature – WWF

10:55 AM - 11:15 AM | MOTF Auditorium
Arab Eco-futures
Najib Saab, Founder and Chairman of the Arab Forum for Environment and Development (AFED) and publisher and Editor-in-Chief of Al-Bia Wal-Tanmia (Environment & Development)

11:15 AM - 12:00 PM — Networking Break

12:05 PM - 12:25 PM | MOTF Auditorium
From The Atlantic To COP28
Toby Gregory, Minister for Policy, Prestige & Founder of the Arabian Forest Racing Team

12:30 PM - 12:50 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Saving Our Synthetic Seas: A Review of the Science and Solutions Addressing the Global Challenge of Plastic Pollution
Markus Eriksen, Co-Founder & Researcher, 5 Gyres Institute

12:55 PM - 1:15 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Nurturing Home Gardens for A Sustainable Future
Alameh Alsabban, Agroforestry Consultant, Guinness World Record Holder & Everest Kingdom

1:20 PM - 1:40 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Driving Social Change Through Local Landscapes
Will Bennett, Executive Architect & Founder & Chief Nature Nerd at WILDEN

Workshops
Tree Function Area at MOTF Auditorium

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM — **Climate Negotiations**
Presented by: Ameer Gergawi Diplomatic Academy
Arranged by: دبلوماسية الأمير جرجاوي DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY

Day 2 — 27th of September

Plenary sessions

10:00 AM - 10:15 AM | MOTF Auditorium
Artificial Intelligence for Climate
H.E. Omar Sultan Al Olama, Minister of State for Artificial Intelligence

10:20 AM - 10:35 AM | MOTF Auditorium
The Future Of Sustainable Global Trade
H.E. Dr. Thani Alzeyoudi, Minister of State for Foreign Trade

10:40 AM - 11:00 AM | MOTF Auditorium
Revolutionizing Architecture with Circular Economy
Arthur Huang, CMO Executive Officer & Founder of MRAM2

11:05 AM - 11:25 AM | MOTF Auditorium
Converting Carbon Dioxide for A Greener Future
Dr. Sunita Bhikaji Ahmad, Global Material Scientist and Engineer

11:25 AM - 11:50 AM — Networking Break

11:50 AM - 12:10 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Cli-fi, Sci-fi, & Societal Reshaping
Andrew Dana Hudson, Author & Researcher Arizona College Fellow at the ASU Center for Science and the Imagination

12:15 PM - 12:35 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Climate-conscious Design & Creative Responsibility
Wael Al Awar, Co-founder and managing partner of Dubai & Copenhagen-based studio

12:40 PM - 1:00 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Agricultural Resilience in Extreme Climates
Abdullatif Al Banna, Emirati Businessman & Farmer

1:05 PM - 1:25 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Architecture Resonating with Environment
Takaharu Tamashita, Japanese architect class A Founder of Takaharu Tamashita Office

Youngah Kang, Architect & Partner in Takaharu Tamashita Office

1:30 PM - 2:00 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Climate-responsive Creative Industries
Brendan McGetrick, Creative Director & Founder of Bait Al Bahr

Andrew Dana Hudson, Author & Researcher Arizona College Fellow at the ASU Center for Science and the Imagination

Shamma Al Mazrui, Emirati Artist & Poet

Ameet Al Ashwas, Executive Content Producer, Museum of the Future

Day 3 — 28th of September

Workshops
Tree Function Area at MOTF Auditorium

12:30 PM - 3:30 PM — **Climate Fresk**
Presented by: Goumbook
Arranged by: نادي الخور Nadia Al Khor Experience

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Poetry For Climate**
Presented by: Alia Ally, Emirati Poet

Day 4 — 29th of September

Workshops
Tree Function Area at MOTF Auditorium

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM — **Climate Education**
Presented by:
Dr. Dania Bin Jasim, CEO, Chairperson & Global Director of Dubai Sustainable Development Goals
Dr. Jan Bebbington, Council Member to Global Sustainable Development Goals

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM — **Climate Startups**
Presented by: Dubai Future District Fund
Arranged by: مشروع حي دبي المستقبلي DUBAI FUTURE DISTRICT FUND

Day 5 — 30th of September

Plenary sessions

10:00 AM - 10:45 AM | MOTF Auditorium
Countdown To COP28
H.E. Dr. Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber, Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology, Special Envoy for Climate Change, and Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology
H.E. Razan Al Mubarak, UAE Climate Change High-Level Champion for COP28 & IUCN President
Dubai Alumfest, Emirati Artist and Poet

10:45 AM - 11:25 AM — Networking Break

11:30 AM - 2:30 PM | MOTF Auditorium
Climate Startup Majlis
All sessions are moderated by
Talal Karim, Dubai Lead

Sustainable Water Production
Dr. Saeed Al Kharaji, Professor at Khalifa University & Founder of Aquhal

Region-focused Solutions
Lamia Khashoiy, Co-Founder of Wildfish

Measuring Carbon Footprint
Onur Elgun, Co-Founder of CarbonDB

Innovating Waste Management
Rabih Dichan, Co-Founder of Nabtera

Smart Farming
Dr. Jozef Szmidt-chan, Chief Sustainability Officer of the Pure Harvest

Rescuing Food Scraps & Building Soil in the UAE
Lara Hussein & Charles Uren, Co-Founders & Soil Builder at The Reset Lab

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12:30 PM - 3:30 PM — **Eco-poetry and Writing Nature**
Presented by: Shamma Al Mazrui, Emirati Artist & Poet

Climate Film Screenings: Nights at the Museum

MOTF Auditorium — **8:00 PM - 10:00 PM**



28 September
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
COSTA BRAVA, LEBANON
The film explores human family ecosystem and the relationship between the two families of Rania by meeting refuge in a citizen of Costa Brava, a Lebanese mountain village to survive in the summer.

29 September
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
SOYLENT GREEN
The classic film depicts the world as a dystopian future where the earth is overpopulated, resources are scarce, the sea dying, and food sources are scarce, resulting in a terrifying food solution.

30 September
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
BEASTS OF THE SOUTHERN WILD
The tale of a six-year-old girl's relationship with her father during floods and the melting ice caps that flood her secluded home.

Short Films on Loop

Level 2 - Tomorrow Today



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LOWLAND KIDS
The film introduces Haaland and Ingrid, two children living in a small town on the Norwegian coast who become fascinated with climate refugees.

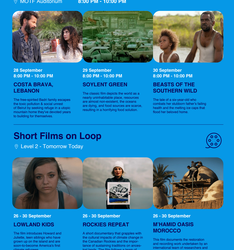
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ROCKIES REPEAT
A short documentary that grapples with the fact that the Rocky Mountains are the fastest warming mountain range in the world, in terms of rendering traditions to answer the question: "What does it mean to be human in a settler society."

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M'HAMID OASIS MOROCCO
The film explores the restoration of Morocco's M'hamid oasis by the international team of researchers and local Berber communities, who are using the Keyline design, at the edge of the Sahara Desert.

Regional Climate Photography Exhibition

29th - 30th of September

A climate-themed photographic exhibition, featuring works from Emirati photographers that highlight the beauty of nature and the impacts of climate change across numerous parts of the Arab world.



Noura Al Neyadi
Storyteller
& Anthropologist

Obaid Alduhoori
Traveller & nature enthusiast

Hamed Mukhaitah
Award winning
Bedouin photographer

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