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20TH ARABAL EVENT TO BE HELD IN DUBAI IN 2016

Region's top aluminium producer, EGA, will host the premier aluminium industry gathering

United Arab Emirates: As part of its commitment to help shape the future of the global aluminium sector, Emirates Global Aluminium (“EGA”) will host the 20th Arab International Aluminium Conference (“ARABAL”) at Madinat Jumeirah in Dubai, UAE, from 22 to 24 November 2016. EGA, through its core operating assets Dubai Aluminium (“DUBAL”, also known as Jebel Ali Operations) and Emirates Aluminium (“EMAL”, also known as Al Taweelah Operations), has been involved in ARABAL since its inauguration in 1983; and 2016 marks the sixth time that EGA will host the event.

More than 2,000 local, regional and international delegates, speakers, sponsors and exhibitors and visitors are expected to attend the Middle East’s premium aluminium industry gathering. Combining a strategic conference with an international exhibition, ARABAL is the only event of its kind in the region to unite all the leading primary aluminium manufacturers in the GCC, enabling industry leaders to network, conduct business, discuss global challenges and identify suitable solutions.

Commenting on EGA’s continued role as the host of ARABAL, Abdulla Kalban (MD & CEO) said: “EGA is always proud to host ARABAL, which is widely recognised as one of the leading global gatherings for the aluminium industry. The Middle East region offers immense growth opportunities for the global aluminium industry, especially as the sector already holds the proud position as one of the region’s key non-oil industries. ARABAL is the perfect platform to showcase the Middle East’s position as a regional industry powerhouse.”

Under the theme “Global Challenges – Seeking Solutions”, the two-day ARABAL conference will focus on a number of important topics including the Gulf aluminium industry perspectives; sustainability; operations and technology; scrap and recycling; end-user perspectives; and China’s influence in the market. The exhibition held alongside the conference will showcase 65 of the biggest names in the global aluminium sector, featuring specialists across the spectrum – from upstream, through midstream, to downstream industry.

EGA is the largest primary aluminium producer in the Gulf region and among the top five in the world. With a hot metal production capacity of 2.4 million tonnes per year, EGA’s midstream assets accounted for approximately 4.3 per cent of global production capacity in 2015. EGA also has interests in the upstream bauxite mining and alumina refining sectors.

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About EGA

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20TH ARABAL TO FOCUS ON SOLUTIONS FOR GLOBAL CHALLENGES

Premier aluminium industry gathering promises to be extremely productive

United Arab Emirates: Top executives from the GCC's primary aluminium smelters will participate at the 20th Arab International Aluminium Conference ("ARABAL 2016") in Dubai, UAE, from 22 to 24 November 2016 as part of an industry keynote panel discussion – covering topics such as the various factors relating to the regional downstream aluminium industry. Emirates Global Aluminium ("EGA") – the largest primary aluminium producer in the Gulf – is host of the two-day ARABAL 2016 conference, which has adopted the theme "Global Challenges – Seeking Solutions", this year marking the sixth time that EGA will have hosted the event.

Commenting on his own participation in the industry keynote panel discussion at ARABAL 2016, Abdulla Kalban (MD & CEO: EGA) said, "It is always a pleasure to share the stage with industry colleagues and to have the opportunity to promote the excellent work being done in our region's aluminium industry. This, along with the varied and interesting topics covered during the rest of the conference programme, will make for an extremely productive few days for the industry."

ARABAL is the only event of its kind in the region to unite all the leading primary aluminium manufacturers in the GCC, enabling industry leaders to network, conduct business, discuss global challenges and identify suitable solutions. This year, the ARABAL conference will gain focus on a number of key topics, including the Gulf aluminium industry perspectives; sustainability; operations and technology; scrap and recycling; and China's influence in the market. The programme will also include a dedicated session on end-user perspectives, focusing on aluminium usage trends in the automotive, aerospace, construction and packaging sectors.

Conference delegates will also have the opportunity to participate in site tours to EGA's core operating midstream assets Dubai Aluminium ("DUBAL", also known as Jebel Ali Operations) and Emirates Aluminium ("EMAL", also known as Al Taweelah Operations). The DUBAL smelter complex was commissioned at the end of 1979 while phase I of the EMAL smelter complex began at the end of 2009 and phase II was fully commissioned by mid-2014. EGA's combined annual production capacity of 2.4 million tonnes per annum currently accounts for almost 50 per cent of the total primary aluminium production capacity in the GCC.

An exhibition held alongside the conference will showcase about 65 of the biggest names in the global aluminium sector, featuring specialists across the spectrum – from upstream, through midstream, to downstream industry. More than 2,000 local, regional and international delegates, speakers, sponsors, exhibitors and visitors are expected to attend the Middle East's premium aluminium industry gathering.

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H H SHEIKH HAMDAN BIN RASHID AL MAKTOUM LENDS PATRONAGE TO ARABAL 2016

Royal patronage underscores importance of region's premier aluminium industry gathering

United Arab Emirates: HH Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum (Deputy Ruler of Dubai and UAE Minister of Finance), has granted his patronage to the 20th Arab International Aluminium Conference ("ARABAL"), scheduled to take place in Dubai, UAE, from 22 to 24 November 2016. Hosted by Emirates Global Aluminium ("EGA") for the sixth time, the two-day ARABAL conference and associated exhibition is expected to attract more than 2,000 participants from 20 countries, enabling industry leaders to network, conduct business, discuss global challenges and identify suitable solutions

HH Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, who was chairman of EGA subsidiary Dubai Aluminium ("DUBAL", also known as Jebel Ali Operations) from 1979 to 2013, spearheaded the rise of industrial economy in the UAE and specifically the aluminium industry.

Commenting on the gravitas of the royal patronage for ARABAL, Abdulla Kalban (MD & CEO of EGA) said, "All our achievements are testament to the vision, leadership and courage of HH Sheikh Hamdan and we are honoured to receive his patronage and support for this event. Determined that the UAE's aluminium industry would be a leading example, he played a vital role in the rapid growth of the Middle East into a major hub in the global aluminium industry. His influence is equally evident in the operating efficiencies in the UAE's smelters, which are world renowned for their low-cost operations, development of advanced proprietary technologies and reduced environmental impact compared to the industry as whole."

ARABAL is the only event of its kind in the region staged by all the primary aluminium producers in the GCC, this unique positioning providing a strong draw card. Under the theme "Global Challenges – Seeking Solutions", the 2016 ARABAL conference will provide opportunities for delegates to learn more about the implications of fluctuating energy prices and corresponding policy changes, and delve deeper into the downstream industry including expansions, product mix dynamics, financial elements, raw materials and upstream integration.

For the first time since 2012, Aluminium Company of Egypt (“Egyptalum”) will be present at the event uniting the founder ARABAL members in Dubai. The presence of the full quorum promises a unique opportunity to highlight the immense growth opportunities for the region’s aluminium industry.

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KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT ARABAL 2016 TO EXPLORE GROWTH OF INDUSTRIAL ECONOMY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Region's premier aluminium industry gathering puts the spotlight on value creation through energy efficiency, job creation and economic output

United Arab Emirates: The keynote address at the 20th Arab International Aluminium Conference ("ARABAL"), scheduled to take place in Dubai, UAE, from 22 to 24 November 2016, will outline the direction of the market in a volatile oil price environment by examining the immediate and long-term impact of increased economic pressure on the Middle East, assessing the continued efforts in diversifying the economy, and looking at alternatives to increase efficiency, productivity and opportunities for investment. As a rapidly growing hub in the global aluminium industry, the region and its dynamics are of keen interest to players from across the world.

Renowned as the leading aluminium industry event in the Middle East, the annual ARABAL conference attracts a large international audience. This year's ARABAL event is being hosted by Emirates Global Aluminium ("EGA") for the sixth time and will be held under the patronage of HH Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum (Deputy Ruler of Dubai and UAE Minister of Finance). More than 2,000 participants from 20 countries are expected.

According to Abdulla Kalban (MD & CEO: EGA), "The UAE's primary aluminium smelters – EGA Jebel Ali and EGA Al Taweelah – are the anchor of industrial economic growth in the UAE. Together with the five other Middle East smelters in Bahrain, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Egypt, the primary aluminium industry is the genesis of the broader industrialisation of the wider region. ARABAL provides a perfect platform to examine the historical influence of the sector in creating value for the economy through technology innovation, job creation and economic output, as well as how to move forward and maintain GDP growth in a volatile economic climate."

In 2015, the Middle East primary aluminium industry's combined production was 5.59 million tonnes – almost 10% of the total world production.¹ As a result, all six primary aluminium producers generate substantial contributions to their respective nation's GDP. By 2020, EGA's contribution to the UAE GDP is forecast at about US\$3 billion direct and US\$5 billion indirect with gross exports of about US\$7 billion.

In the GCC, the aluminium industry provides direct employment to about 12,000 people and indirect employment to another 30,000 people. Efforts are focused on nationalisation by consciously recruiting nationals, providing training and skills development opportunities, and fast-tracking talented nationals into management positions.

In keeping with the conference theme of "Global Challenges – Seeking Solutions", the Industry Keynote Panel at ARABAL 2016 will focus on the implications of fluctuating energy prices and corresponding policy changes, and delve deeper into the downstream industry including expansions, product mix dynamics, financial elements, raw materials and upstream integration. The panelists will include Abdulla Kalban (MD & CEO: EGA), Tim Murray (CEO: Aluminium Bahrain), Abdelzاهر Abdelsattar Hassan (Chairman & CEO: EGYPTALUM), Abdulaziz Al Harbi (President: Ma'aden

Aluminium), Khalid Mohammed Laram (CEO: Qatalum), Said Mohamed Al Masoudi (CEO: Sohar Aluminium) with Jorge Vazquez (Founder: Harbor Intelligence) as the moderator.

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