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GLOBAL LOGISTICS FORUM 2024 CONCLUDES WITH 65 AGREEMENTS WORTH OVER 16 BILLION SAR



The inaugural Global Logistics Forum 2024 in Riyadh concluded with over 65 agreements and MoUs signed, amounting to more than 16 billion SAR, and attendance exceeding 13,000 visitors. The forum hosted over 130 logistics experts, including 15 ministers and 77 industry leaders from 30 countries. Major agreements were signed with companies like FedEx, Sadel, and Agility to enhance Saudi Arabia's logistics infrastructure.

The forum focused on improving global supply chains, boosting international cooperation, and increasing investments in railways, ports, airports, and roads. It also launched several training initiatives and scholarships under the "Waed" program, with collaborations from the Saudi Logistics Academy. Participants recommended increasing international investments in infrastructure to ensure the sustainability of global supply chains.





GACA SIGNS 4 SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENTS AND SHOWCASES AMBITIOUS PLANS

During the Global Logistics Forum 2024, the General Authority of Civil Aviation (GACA) signed four scholarship agreements to develop national talent in aviation. GACA aims to increase air cargo capacity from 0.8 million tons in 2023 to 4.5 million tons by 2030, with a \$100 billion infrastructure investment. Additionally, GACA granted four business licenses to global companies in Riyadh's integrated logistics zone, emphasizing international partnerships and job creation, in alignment with Vision 2030.





SAUDI PORTS PERFORMANCE IN SEPTEMBER 2024

In September 2024, Saudi ports overseen by the General Authority for Ports (Mawani) recorded a 7.82% increase in total cargo handled, reaching 28,097,022 tons compared to 26,058,554 tons in September 2023. Export containers grew by 9%, with 255,606 containers compared to 234,663 last year, while import containers rose by 18% to 258,007. However, total container handling dropped by 8.08%, down to 673,124 from 732,319 in 2023, and transshipment containers fell by 42.98%. Livestock imports also saw a significant decrease of 35.58%, while vehicle imports increased by 10.51%. Ship traffic declined by 5.18%, and the number of passengers dropped by 39.46%.



RIYADH AIR ORDERS 60 AIRBUS A321NEO PLANES

Riyadh Air signed a deal to purchase 60 Airbus A321neo aircraft during the Future Investment Initiative in Riyadh, preparing for operations in 2025.



This order supports the airline's sustainability and efficiency goals, building on previous agreements, growing its fleet to 132 planes by 2030. The deal will help Saudi Arabia meet its net-zero emissions targets, enhance Riyadh's status as a global business hub, and contribute to both local and global economic growth, while expanding air transport options and cargo capacity.



"MAWANI" ADDS "FEM1" SHIPPING SERVICE TO JEDDAH ISLAMIC PORT TO LINK REGIONAL AND GLOBAL PORTS

Mawani announced the addition of the "FEM1" shipping service, in partnership with "C star" and "UGL", to Jeddah Islamic Port. The service aims to enhance import and export activities and increase the port's connectivity with the Middle East and Mediterranean ports. The service links Jeddah to ports in China, Malaysia, and Turkey, strengthening Saudi Arabia's position as a global logistics hub. The new service improves the port's capacity to handle 2,758 TEUs, reinforcing Jeddah's strategic role in linking Europe, Asia, and Africa.



SAUDI ARABIA HOSTS FOURTH MEETING OF REGIONAL AVIATION SECURITY AND FACILITATION GROUP



Abdulaziz Al-Duailej, President of the General Authority of Civil Aviation, inaugurated the fourth meeting of the Regional Aviation Security and Facilitation Group in Riyadh. The meeting aims to enhance cooperation and exchange expertise in aviation security and travel facilitation. Saudi Arabia has made significant progress, including launching the electronic Saudi passport and achieving high compliance with aviation security standards. The Kingdom also presented the "Unified Air Travel Requirements" initiative to enhance the resilience of the aviation sector. Key topics include cybersecurity and improving security procedures.





OMAR HARIRI APPOINTED CEO OF SAL SAUDI LOGISTICS

King Khalid International Airport won two TDM Travel Excellence Awards for "Best Duty-Free Initiative" and "Best International Airport 2024 - Global Connectivity". The awards, announced in Dubai, recognized the airport's innovative duty-free project in Terminals 3 and 4, and its new air routes with 10 airlines. Ayman Abou Abah, CEO of Riyadh Airports, highlighted this achievement as a step towards fulfilling Saudi Vision 2030.





SAUDI AIRLINES WINS "WORLD CLASS AIRLINE 2025" AWARD FOR FOURTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Saudi Airlines won the "World Class Airline 2025" award from APEX for the fourth consecutive year, recognizing its efforts in enhancing passenger experience and service innovation. The award highlights Saudi's commitment to the highest safety standards and operational excellence. Rosen Dimitrov, Saudi Airlines' Guest Experience Head, stated that the award reflects their dedication to providing exceptional travel experiences. APEX CEO, Dr. Joe Leader, praised Saudi's growth, including a 24% increase in international passenger traffic in 2024, showcasing its commitment to passenger satisfaction and operational excellence.



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