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Dubai Business Forum China

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Post Event Report

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Event Overview

Dubai Business Forum China 2026 marked a record-breaking milestone for Dubai Chambers, bringing together 742 leading representatives of the Chinese business community alongside Dubai Chambers' largest-ever overseas business delegation of 112 senior public and private sector representatives.

The Forum translated this unprecedented level of engagement into tangible business outcomes, with 106 B2B meetings, alongside the signing of 10 strategic MoUs.

The Forum attracted a diverse and balanced mix of Chinese companies, comprising of 25% multinational corporations (MNCs) and 33% SMEs.

Key Achievements

854	Total Attendees
742	China Delegates
112	Dubai Delegation
15	Sessions
26	Speakers & Moderators
106	B2B Meetings
10	MOUs signed



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Programme Highlights



Strengthening Dubai–China Economic Ties

Discussions focused on the evolution of Dubai–China economic relations from traditional trade towards deeper collaboration in investment, technology, innovation and industrial development. Speakers highlighted the complementary strengths of both economies and their shared ambition to unlock new opportunities for sustainable growth.

Investment, Innovation & the D33 Agenda

The programme highlighted Dubai's long-term economic vision under the Dubai Economic Agenda (D33), showcasing its commitment to attracting investment, enabling innovation and accelerating business expansion. Dubai's strategic location, world-class infrastructure and competitive business environment were presented as key advantages for Chinese companies seeking access to markets across the Middle East, Africa and beyond.

Future-Focused Dialogue

Key sessions examined themes including:

- Investment and cross-border business expansion
- Technology, innovation and industrial development
- Dubai's competitive and future-ready business environment
- Strategic partnerships and sustainable economic growth
- Dubai as a gateway to regional and global markets

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"The complementary strengths of the Dubai and Chinese economies create broader opportunities to move beyond established relations towards a more advanced phase of investment, innovation, and shared value creation."

H.E. Eng. Sultan Bin Saeed Al Mansoori
Chairman, Dubai Chambers, UAE



"China brings technological and industrial scale, deep expertise, and growing capabilities in advanced AI, while Dubai offers a complementary set of strengths including speed of implementation, a highly international and diverse business community, strong connectivity to global markets, and an environment that supports the deployment, commercialisation, and expansion of technology across markets."

H.E. Mohammad Ali Rashed Lootah
President & CEO, Dubai Chambers, UAE



"China has been a key strategic partner to Dubai for decades, and it feels like every year, we celebrate new milestones together. China is a key partner for trade, investment and tourism. And yet there is still so much more that we can do together. Dubai is the land of possibility for Chinese businesses. There are a broad range of investment opportunities for China to participate in Dubai's economy."

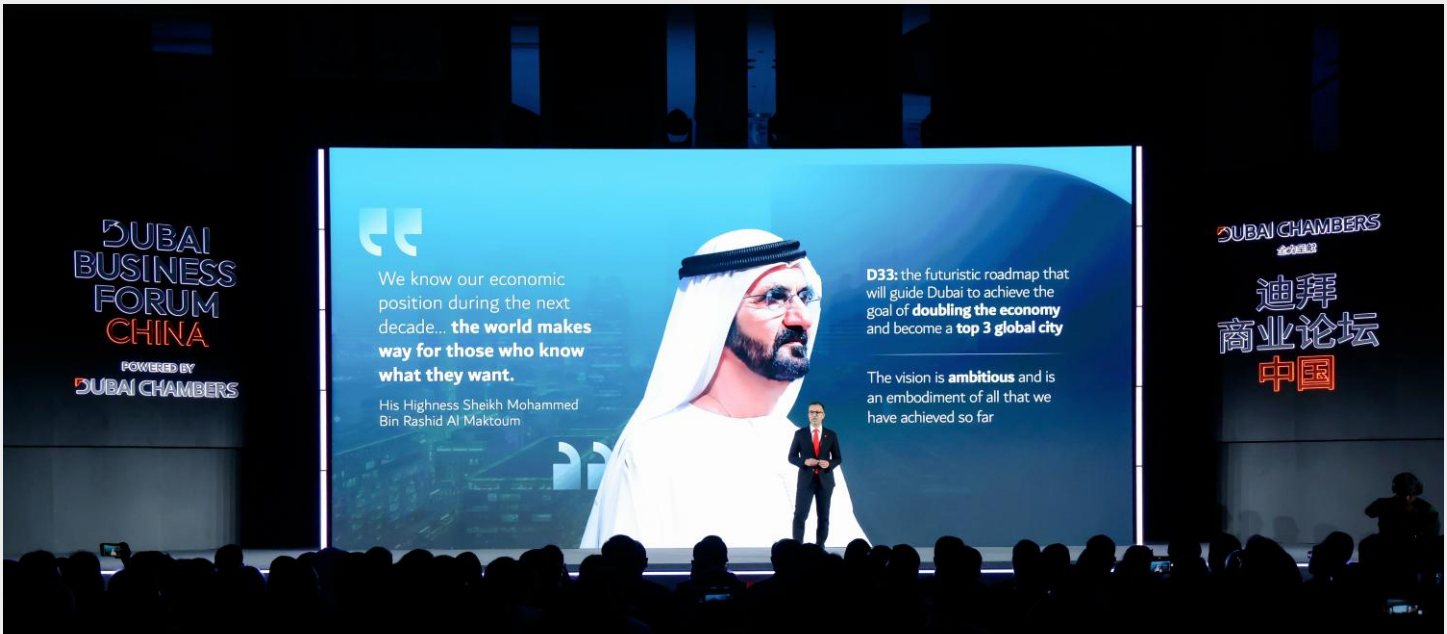
H.E. Hadi Badri, CEO, Dubai Economic Development Corporation, UAE

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The Forum highlighted Dubai's strength in transforming innovation into commercial impact. Discussions on AI, autonomous mobility and advanced logistics demonstrated how supportive regulation and collaboration are driving real-world implementation.



Success stories from Dubai-based companies reinforced the emirate's appeal as a gateway for global expansion, while showcasing significant opportunities for stronger investment and innovation partnerships between Dubai and China.

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Dubai Official Delegation

112	86	30+
Delegates	Participating Organisations	Sectors Represented

Led by H.E. Eng. Sultan bin Saeed Al Mansoori, Chairman of Dubai Chambers, the Dubai delegation comprised 112 senior representatives from the public and private sectors, marking Dubai Chambers' largest-ever overseas business delegation. Bringing together prominent business leaders, government officials and senior executives, the delegation reflected the strength, diversity and ambition of Dubai's business and investment ecosystem.

The Forum facilitated high-level engagement between Dubai's business leaders and their Chinese counterparts, fostering meaningful dialogue on investment opportunities, strategic partnerships and international expansion. These exchanges reinforced the strong economic relationship between Dubai and China and created new avenues for bilateral business cooperation.

Example of entities represented:

- Dubai Economic Development Corporation
- Dubai Airport Freezone
- Dubai CommerCity
- DMCC
- DP World
- Emirates SkyCargo
- Al-Futtaim Group
- Al Ghurair Group
- AW Rostamani Group
- Landmark Group
- Albawardi Group



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Connect Hub

Key Highlights

- 78 B2B meetings
- Two-way selection allowing high-potential Chinese companies to proactively request meetings, boosting engagement and participation.
- Meaningful exchanges on investment opportunities, market entry, and strategic partnerships.
- Strong business connections paving the way for follow-up discussions and long-term collaboration.





MOU Signing

A total of **10 Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs)** were signed during the Dubai Business Forum China 2026, marking a significant milestone in strengthening bilateral economic and business cooperation.

Dubai Chambers MOUs

- CCOIC Shenzhen
- CCOIC Guangzhou
- CCPIT Beijing
- CCPIT Chongqing
- Greater Bay Area Imports & Exports Association
- Guangdong–HK–Maca Bay Area Entrepreneurs Alliance
- Alibaba Cloud × Dubai Chamber of Digital Economy

Other MOUs

- Dubai CommerCity × Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks
- Dubai Jewellery Group × GAGD ICD Centre
- Gargash Prime X JD.com



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Dubai Businesswomen Council Roundtable



Led by H.E. Dr. Raja Al Gurg, Founder and President of Dubai Businesswomen Council (DBWC), this exclusive roundtable brought together the council board members with leading female entrepreneurs and business executives from China. The dialogue showcased the achievements of Emirati women in business, highlighted Dubai's supportive environment for women entrepreneurs, and fostered meaningful connections between the two business communities.

Key Highlights

❖ 23 female business leaders participated, including 12 Chinese and 11 Dubai representatives, fostering high-level cross-border dialogue.

❖ Leadership insights shared by prominent Emirati businesswomen, highlighting their entrepreneurial journeys, achievements, and contributions to Dubai's economic development.

❖ Support for women entrepreneurs highlighted through Dubai Chambers' initiatives and the DBWC's role in empowering women in business.

❖ Dubai's business advantages showcased through first-hand experiences of women leaders across diverse industries.

❖ Stronger bilateral connections established between female business leaders from Dubai and China, creating opportunities for future collaboration and business partnerships.



"The relationship between Dubai and China is built on decades of engagement, cooperation, and shared ambition."

H.E. Eng. Sultan Bin Saeed Al Mansoori
Chairman, Dubai Chambers, UAE

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