



ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018 to Explore Impact of Key Disruptive Technologies on National Security

Abu Dhabi-UAE: 12 February, 2018 – The Higher Organising Committee of the International Exhibition for National Security and Resilience (ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018) confirmed that the upcoming three-day event will explore the role of disruptive technologies in national security.

The exhibition will highlight the latest developments in artificial intelligence, connected vehicles, smart wearable technologies, unmanned solutions and robotics, virtual and augmented reality, digital forensics, crowd management, and safe city control centres. Key themes of the event will include innovation, thought leadership, career development, edutainment and public awareness, as well as business.

ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018 is jointly organised by the UAE Ministry of Interior and Reed Exhibitions. UAE-based international cyber security firm DarkMatter will support the event as its strategic partner. In addition, Safe City Group, a homegrown turnkey solutions provider for smart and safe cities, has been named innovation partner, while the Critical Infrastructure and Coastal Protection Agency (CICPA) have assumed the role of associate partners.

In line with the UAE Strategy for Artificial Intelligence, this year's edition of ISNR Abu Dhabi is poised to demonstrate how artificial intelligence will revolutionise national security, heralding a shift from traditional physical security and law enforcement towards a more transformative and digital future. More than 20 workshops and features, including a 50 exhibitors' trail to guide the attendees, will be powered by artificial intelligence. Set to redefine the future of policing, the event spotlights artificial intelligence solutions within critical infrastructure protection, major events security, and cyber security.

Meanwhile, the Innovation Awards, held on the first day of the exhibition, will recognise ground-breaking technologies across five categories – artificial intelligence, virtual and augmented reality, unmanned systems and robotics, digital crime management and forensics, as well as smart and connected cities. The organisers will select the best entry in each category out of 15 shortlisted innovations from the UAE, France, the USA, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, and the UK, and announce the winners during a gala dinner. In line with the UAE National Innovation Strategy, ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018 will also present CyberX, developed in collaboration with Scenarios4Summits. Making its debut at the event, the interactive roundtable will feature high-impact immersive videos as well as scenario-based policy moderated discussions, introducing new security training techniques for the future.

In another first, the upcoming edition of the event will launch the Safe City Control Centre, an innovative platform powered by Safe City Group that seeks to demonstrate state-of-the-art security technologies in operations. Catering to UAE first responder operators, the simulation will showcase specially designed consoles and control room solutions. His Excellency Major General Dr Ahmed Nasser Al Raisi, Inspector-General of the Ministry of Interior and Chairman of the Higher Organising Committee of ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018, said: the Exhibition organized by the Ministry of the Interior in cooperation with Reed Exhibitions Company, is supported by HH Sheikh Saif bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior and based on the Ministry's keenness to keep abreast of modern technologies in various fields of security and in line with the UAE strategy for artificial intelligence

Hosted in partnership with Abu Dhabi Police and Dubai Police, the Future of Policing forum will tackle hot topics in the security industry, including crime prediction, facial recognition, smart police officers, and advanced machine learning solutions.

Ara Fernezian, Group Managing Director for the Middle East at Reed Exhibitions, said: "We attribute the continued success of the ISNR platform to our productive collaboration with our multi-disciplinary homeland safety and security partners, exhibitors, solution providers, decision makers, and thought leaders. With the support of regional and global industry heavyweights, we are confident that the upcoming edition of the event will contribute to enhancing the ever-changing and crucial national security and resilience sector." For her part, Meline Eolmezian-Soulie, Group Exhibition Director of the Security and Safety Portfolio at Reed Exhibitions, said: "ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018 will help shape the future of national security through exploring the impact of digital transformation on the industry,

introducing disruptive innovations, and bringing together regional leaders, stakeholders, and community members to build a safer connected world.”

She added: “In adding new events – such as the Critical Infrastructure Protection forum, and the Future of Policing forum – as well as bringing back the live demonstration, we have tailored this mega-exhibition to the demands of the current security market. Moreover, we are delighted to host leading innovative companies such as Howe and Howe Technologies, Cognitec, Seyntex, Azur Drones and AXONE that will exhibit cutting-edge security technology and solutions.”

ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018 is set to include the second editions of the exhibition’s two collocated events – Infosecurity Middle East, and Major Events Safety and Security Summit (ME3S), as well as Emergency Response & Disaster Prevention (EmDi).

ISNR Abu Dhabi 2018 will span the entire scope of homeland security sectors, such as digital crime management, forensics, critical infrastructure protection, border control, policing, counterterrorism, disaster management, transformative digital solutions, crime and offender management, and safety and security at major events and crowded places.

The upcoming edition will run from 6 to 8 March 2018 at the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre. Set to host 600 exhibitors from 55 countries in addition to over 200 government buyers and delegates, the mega security event will welcome 25,000 local and international attendees.

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