

ICA Trade Event

Dubai 2025



Tuesday 7 October

14:00 – 16:00
Early Bird Registration
Al Joud Foyer – Hilton Habtoor

Wednesday 8 October

08:00 – 15:00
Registration & Enquiries
Al Joud Foyer– Hilton Habtoor

09:45 – 10:00
Conference Opening
Al Joud Foyer – Hilton Habtoor

10:00 – 11:00
Keynote: Joe Nicosia, Louis Dreyfus Company
The Future of Cotton
Al Joud Ballroom – Hilton Habtoor

11:00 – 11:30
Break

11:30 – 12:30
Keynote: Carla Slim, Standard Chartered Bank
Global and regional macro outlook – the aftershock of US tariffs
Al Joud Ballroom – Hilton Habtoor

12:30 – 13:30
Lunch
Al Joud Foyer – Hilton Habtoor

13:30 – 14:00
ICA AGM (ICA Members only)
Al Joud Ballroom – Hilton Habtoor

14:30 – 16:00
Navigating Risk within the Textile Value Chain (pre-registered delegates only)
Jagdish Parihar – Strategic Risk Advisor, Pierre Chehab – Louis Dreyfus Company, Jagan Gopinath – previously Arvind Ltd, John Pestell – Whiteleaf Commodities, Rehman Naseem – Fazal Cloth Mills Limited, Taslimul Hoque - Square Textiles PLC

19:00 – 23:00
Welcome Party
Habtoor Palace – Hilton Habtoor

Thursday 9 October

09:00 – 15:00
Registration & Enquiries
Al Joud Foyer– Hilton Habtoor

09:50 – 10:00
Introduction
Bill Kingdon, ICA
Al Joud Foyer– Hilton Habtoor

10:00 – 11:00
Keynote: Uday Gill, Gherzi Consulting
Cotton's path back to growth and prosperity
Al Joud Ballroom – Hilton Habtoor

11:00 – 11:30
Break

11:30 – 12:30
Keynote: Jennifer Ilkiw, Matt Ryan, Darren Long, Eimear McDonagh
The Futures Frontier: Risk, Regulation and the Tech Transformation
Al Joud Foyer – Hilton Habtoor

12:30 – 13:30
Lunch
Sponsored by Women in Cotton, Al Joud Foyer – Hilton Habtoor

13:30 – 14:30
Cotton Connected: Changes in China's Cotton Market
David Yang, China National Cotton Group Corporation & Pan Zhiyan, Qingdao Daehong Textile Co Ltd
Al Joud Ballroom – Hilton Habtoor

12:30 – 14:30
CICCA Lunch and Plenary Meeting
Invite Only – Orchid, Hilton Habtoor

14:30 – 15:30
Value Difference Committee & Quality Experts
Invite Only – Orchid, Hilton Habtoor

19:00 – 23:00
Gala Dinner
Al Joud Ballroom – Hilton Habtoor