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OVERVIEW |



THE 5th Edition of Refrigerants Review is the culmination of a year-long Editorial Campaign on refrigerants by the same name. Initiated in Q1 2025, the Campaign saw regional and global personalities hold court on a plethora of topics and sub-topics on transition.

The Refrigerants Review conference is the coming together of regional and global stakeholders for discussions on such topics as the trading of refrigerants, finance, climate science, engineering, technology and political structures. The conference comes at a pivotal time, just as the world edges closer to milestone targets for phase-out of climate-harming refrigerants. Global climate-related policy frameworks and country-specific building codes have compelled and motivated manufacturers of refrigerants to look for alternative solutions to those in circulation, with an eye on lower GWP, greater energy efficiency and, equally crucial, occupant safety.

Here, in the GCC region, governed by the Article 5 timeline, there is still considerable leeway to make the transition, but what are the implications of a staggered approach? Indeed, extreme weather events, triggered by anthropogenic climate change, do not acknowledge borders. Should multiple sectors (healthcare, hospitality, aviation, education, FMCG and other commercial entities, and residential clusters) that make a nation's or the region's building stock, line up ahead of time to make the transition? What are the economic implications, in turn, of making the transition before the mandated time? Are there differing approaches that brownfield and greenfield projects need to adopt? What are the cultural changes that will ensure wider participation – including individual end-users – in the transition? These and many more questions abound.

The conference is an opportunity for clarity and informed action. It is an opportunity for a paradigm shift in thinking and intent. It is an opportunity to cooperate with governments and to support their nationally determined contributions for the greater global good.

Middle East Refrigerants
Market size was valued at USD 6.6 billion in 2022 and is poised to grow from USD 7.19 billion in 2023 to USD 14.33 billion by 2031, growing at a CAGR of 9.0% in the forecast period (2024-2031).

HISTORY OF REFRIGERANTS REVIEW |



ESTABLISHED in 2011, Refrigerants Review, as a conference programme, is an immersive discussion on refrigerants that engages policy makers, regulators, enforcement bodies, scientists, manufacturers of HVACR equipment and refrigerants, service providers and sectoral end-users. To date, this unique conference platform has brought together international stakeholders to discuss broad issues, including the assessment of refrigerants, keeping in mind such factors as health & safety, energy efficiency, Global Warming Potential (GWP), Ozone-Depleting Potential (ODP) and Lifecycle Climate Performance (LCCP).



HERE'S a broad sweep of topics (please note: This is not an all-inclusive list and is subject to modification)...

- 1) Climate Law No. 11 in the UAE (Federal Decree-Law No. (11) of 2024 on the Reduction of Climate Change Effects)
- 2) **Global perspective:** The current state and future of refrigerants
- 3) **Regional perspective:** Emerging refrigerants in the Middle East and the GCC region, within, and what to watch out for
- 4) **The Article 5 timeline:** Their implications for the GCC region. Economic impacts of the transition
- 5) **Regulations:** Navigating refrigerant regulations in the region, and their impact. How building owners are navigating the refrigerant regulatory domain
- 6) **Trade barriers (economic sanctions and trade embargos):** Sanctions or trade embargos can limit the availability of certain refrigerants or raw materials needed for their production, affecting supply chains and causing price fluctuations. Political tensions can restrict market access for international companies, impacting the availability and cost of refrigerants in the region. Blockades affect trade routes and the availability of certain goods, including refrigerants, leading to supply chain adjustments.
- 7) **Trade barriers (geopolitical instability):** Conflicts and instability can disrupt supply chains, leading to shortages and increased prices for refrigerants. Political instability can deter foreign investments in the refrigerants industry, affecting the development and adoption of new technologies.



RESPONSIBILITY

- 8) **Trade challenges:** The Impact of oil price fluctuations on the GCC refrigerants market
- 9) **Training and compliance:** Key measures to ensure the safe handling of refrigerants, plus in a manner that protects the environment
- 10) **Holding developers and consultants accountable:** The balance of efficiency and environmental responsibility in refrigerant choices
- 11) **Country Focus:** Impact of Saudi Vision 2030 on HVAC and the refrigeration markets
- 12) **Region Focus:** Lessons from the European F-Gas Regulations
- 13) **Country Focus:** Lessons from the EPA Regulations in the United States
- 14) **The impact of advanced refrigerants** on the rapidly growing food & beverage sector
- 15) **Natural Refrigerants:** Breakthroughs, cost barriers, political and regulatory support (the support from Building Codes, as in Europe)
- 16) **Addressing leaks** in residential, commercial and industrial sectors and, thereby, mitigating direct and indirect effects



THE conference includes a traditional mix of policy and regulation-related addresses, techno-commercial presentations, case study presentations, panel discussions, and focused and structured audience interactions to receive the maximum possible information from multilateral organisations; policymakers; enforcement agencies; master developers; developers; Building Owner Associations; general & MEP consultants; general & MEP contractors; sectoral end-users (healthcare, hospitality, aviation, education, retail, etc.); manufacturers (of HVACR equipment, refrigerants and devices (leak detectors, etc.); suppliers; and O&M and other specialised service providers.

Chairperson: Dr Samiullah Khan, Chief Sustainability Officer, Fakhruddin Properties

8.00am Registration, coffee, networking, interacting with exhibitors

9.00am Welcome Address

Surendar Balakrishnan, Co-Founder & Editorial Director, CPI Industry

9.10am Chair's Overview

Dr Samiullah Khan, Chief Sustainability Officer, Fakhruddin Properties

9.20am Keynote Address

H.E. Tariq Ibrahim Ismail Abdulrahman, Chief Executive, Dubai Land Department (DLD) in the Real Estate Regulatory Agency (RERA)

9.30am Plenary Discussion: Refrigerant-related regulations and enabling mechanisms

- The Article 5 timeline: Implications for the GCC region
- Climate Law No. 11 in the UAE (Federal Decree-Law No. (11) of 2024 on the Reduction of Climate Change Effects)
- Drawing the framework for compliance
- Economic impacts of the transition on businesses and consumers, and protecting their interests
- Interpreting regulations: How building owners ought to navigate the refrigerant regulatory domain
- Trade barriers (economic sanctions, tariffs and trade embargos): Sanctions or trade embargos can limit the availability of certain refrigerants or raw materials needed for their production, affecting supply chains and causing price fluctuations. Political tensions can restrict market access for international companies, impacting the availability and cost of refrigerants in the region. Blockades affect trade routes and the availability of certain goods, including refrigerants, leading to supply chain adjustments.
- Trade barriers (geopolitical instability and pandemics): Conflicts and instability can disrupt supply chains, leading to shortages and increased prices for refrigerants. Political instability can deter foreign investments in the refrigerants industry, affecting the development and adoption of new technologies.
- Lessons to be extracted from EPA regulations in the United States and the EU F-Gas Regulation, etc.
- Natural Refrigerants in Europe and the United States: Achieving a delicate balance with Building Codes

Moderator:

Dr Samiullah Khan, Chief Sustainability Officer, Fakhruddin Properties

Participants (so far):

Markus Lattner, Managing Director, Eurovent Middle East

Nabil Shahin, Managing Director, AHRI MENA

Abdallah Mahmoud, ASHRAE Falcon Chapter President Regional Vice Chair - Governmental Affairs CRC General Chair, RAL

Murad Abu Salimah, Principal Technical Advisor – MENA, Danfoss Climate Solutions

10.10am Technical Presentation

Dr. Jean De Bernardi, Technical Director Europe, Middle-east, Turkey and Africa (META), Solstice

10.30am Technical Presentation

Nabil Shahin, Managing Director, AHRI MENA

10.45am Technical Presentation

Murad Abu Salimah, Principal Technical Advisor – MENA, Danfoss Climate Solutions

11.00am Coffee break, networking, interacting with exhibitors

11.20am Technical Presentation

Markus Lattner, Managing Director, Eurovent Middle East

11.35am Technical Presentation

Mohamed Sakalla, ASHRAE Falcon Chapter President Regional Vice President - Governmental Affairs CRC General Chair, RAL

11.50am **Plenary Discussion: Developer and end-user perspectives on transition; economic impacts of refrigerant regulations – costs and benefits**

- Upgrading or replacing equipment to accommodate new refrigerants
- Costs of retrofitting existing systems
- Training and certification for handling new refrigerants
- Financial strain on smaller businesses compared to larger corporations that are consumers
- The benefits of making the move
- The information needed to make the transition – the doubts that hang over alternative options and protecting against obsolescence
- Getting the timing right
- The budget that needs to be earmarked to make the transition
- The tools needed to persuade the decision-making leadership/hierarchy in businesses

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Sumanth Vinayak Gopalakrishna, Assistant General Manager-Applied Business, Blue Star International FZCO

Eric Huang, Managing Director, Middle East Region, Hanbell Precise Machinery Co. Ltd.

12.40pm **Panel Discussion: Holding consultants accountable**

- The balance of efficiency and environmental responsibility in refrigerant choices
- The extent to which Natural Refrigerants are being specified: Breakthroughs, cost barriers, political and regulatory support; the support from Building Codes, as in Europe
- Lessons learnt from design projects executed: Addressing leaks in residential, commercial and industrial sectors and, thereby, mitigating direct and indirect effects

Moderator:

Dr Samiullah Khan, Chief Sustainability Officer, Fakhruddin Properties

Participants:

Sagar Kulkarni, Consistent Engineering Consultant

Shankar Prathap, Sr. Mechanical Engineer, Capital Engineering Consultancy

1.10pm Fireside talk: Training, training, training

Plugging the disconnect with technicians handling refrigerants

Building awareness among building owners entrusted with key decision making surrounding the choice of refrigerants

Culture of cooperation

Moderator:

Dr Samiullah Khan, Chief Sustainability Officer, Fakhruddin Properties

Participants:

Markus Lattner, Managing Director, Eurovent Middle East

Nabil Shahin, Managing Director, AHRI MENA

1.30pm Sponsor Recognition Ceremony

Frederic Paille, Co-Founder & Commercial Director, CPI Industry

1.40pm Lunch, networking, interacting with exhibitors

ABOUT CPI INDUSTRY EVENTS

CPI INDUSTRY is a publishing house that started producing events as an extension of its communications drive in the HVACR industry through its magazine (*Climate Control Middle East*) and directories.

While the magazine largely focuses on core HVACR aspects, the events probe the core and all allied areas, be they energy security (district cooling and cogeneration), food security (refrigeration), food safety & quality assurance (again, refrigeration) or indoor environmental quality.

CPI Industry started conducting events in May 2007, starting with the unique DC Dialogue, a technically intensive discussion on the district cooling industry. Since then, CPI Industry has established a portfolio of events, all with the twin purposes of information exchange and raising the bar on technology and business solutions in the region.

To date, CPI Industry has conducted 103 events. They include DC Dialogue (multiple editions), Middle East VRF Conference (multiple editions), The Climate Control Conference (C3) (multiple editions), Refrigerants Review (multiple editions), World IEQ Forum (multiple editions), The Client Consultant Contractor Conference (multiple editions), Climate Control Awards (multiple editions), Climate Control SAUDI Awards (multiple editions), Food Chain (multiple editions), Middle East HVAC Fire Safety Conference (multiple editions) and The Rain Resilience Conference.

WHY ATTEND?

This conference is a must-attend event for government policymakers, law enforcement agencies, real estate developers, infrastructure investors, HVAC equipment, leak-detection and refrigerant manufacturers, consultants, contractors, O&M companies, FM companies, Testing & Commissioning firms, ESCOs, etc.

PARTICIPATION

In its events, CPI industry has attracted participations from government bodies, implementation bodies, industry associations and councils and Fortune 500 companies. Some of the participants include:

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- Doha Municipality
- Dubai Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Dubai Municipality
- Dubai Supreme Council of Energy
- Electricity & Cogeneration Regulatory Authority (ECRA), Saudi Arabia
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- Emergy
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- Emirates Green Building Council (EGBC)
- Environmental Investigation Agency, USA
- Estidama, UAE
- Eurovent Certita Certification
- Eurovent Middle East
- Fakhruddin Properties
- GRFN
- Guth De Canzo
- GCC Health Ministers' Council for the Cooperation Council States
- GCC Standardisation Organisation (GSO)
- Government of Abu Dhabi (Abu Dhabi Food Control Authority)
- Government of Dubai (Dubai Municipality, Food Control Department)
- Government of Dubai (Department of Planning & Development, Ports, Customs & Free Zone Corporation (Trakhees)
- Harvard Medical School
- Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
- Health Ministers' Council for the Cooperation Council States
- IDP Engineering Consultancy
- Independent Consultant
- Institute for Governance & Sustainable Development (IGSD)
- International Institute of Refrigeration
- Interpol
- Khatib & Alami Consultancy
- Kova PMC
- Kuwait National Ozone Committee (Environmental Public Authority)
- Middle East Facility Management Association (MEFMA)
- Mario Associates Mechanical & Electrical Engineering Consultancy
- Middle East Solar Industry Association (MESIA)
- Ministry of Energy, UAE
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- Seed Engineering Consultants
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- Sobha Realty
- Society of Fire Protection Engineers (SFPE)
- Stratospheric Protection Division
- Supreme Council of Health, Qatar
- Taka Solutions
- Technology and Economic Assessment Panel (TEAP)
- Terre Policy Centre
- The Research Council of Oman
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- UAE Society of Engineers
- UNIDO
- UNDP
- University of Birmingham
- US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- U.S. Green Building Council
- Vindico Project Management Services
- World Customs Organisation
- World Food Programme (and more...)

FOLLOW-UP MECHANISM

There is a strong follow-up mechanism in the case of all the events, with the generation of post-event reports, and also text and video coverage on CPI Industry's online platforms. The reports contain key statistical data and analyses. They are circulated to all the government ministries in the region that have an interest in the areas of discussion.

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2026 EVENTS



Refrigerants Review

(5th Edition)

21 January 2026 | Dubai, UAE

THE culmination of a year-long Marquee Editorial Campaign on refrigerants, spearheaded by *Climate Control Middle East* magazine, the 5th Edition of the Refrigerants Review conference is the coming together of global stakeholders for discussions that include topics such as trade, finance, climate science, engineering, technology and political structures. The conference comes at a pivotal time, just as the world edges closer to milestone targets for phase-out of climate-harming refrigerants. Global climate-related policy frameworks and country-specific building codes have compelled and motivated manufacturers of refrigerants to look for alternative solutions to those in circulation, with an eye on lower GWP, greater energy efficiency and, equally crucial, occupant safety.

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Climate Control Awards India

(1st Edition)

11 March 2026 | Mumbai, India

POPULARLY known as the 'Oscars of the HVACR Industry', the objective of the black-tie, gala dinner event is to recognise outstanding performance across the various disciplines of the HVACR industry and to raise the bar on building performance, cold chain and fire safety, to name three. To achieve the objective, CPI Industry enlists the services of seasoned HVACR and other relevant domain-specific professionals as judges and of a third-party certification agency to evaluate companies under several categories. Climate Control Awards India is part of CPI Industry's long-standing awards programme, which to date has hosted 17 Awards ceremonies across Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. The Awards exercise serves as an objective and accurate barometer of the industry.

www.climatecontrolawards.com



Datacentre 360 Summit

(1st Edition)

April 2026 | Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

TO be conducted in collaboration with CPI Media Group, Datacentre 360 Summit is a comprehensive conference that explores the latest in technological advancements and applications in data centres. CPI Industry's plug-in is the growing focus on data centre cooling and dehumidification. Drawing experts from the HVAC industry, the sub-focus on data centre cooling is an opportunity to explore multiple approaches, including liquid cooling.

www.tahawultech.com/datacentre-360-summit

2026 EVENTS



DC Dialogue

(13th Edition)

15 April 2026 | Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

THE 13th Edition of DC Dialogue, which looks at policies, regulations, standards, technological, financial and legal aspects of District Cooling, will sustain the focus on the progress made in increasing the penetration of this sustainable approach to cooling across the Kingdom's landscape. DC Dialogue is a seasoned conference that gathers blue-chip stakeholders intent on finding sophisticated approaches to District Cooling that effectively address the means to developing cost-effective greenfield projects, retrofitting brownfield schemes, technological innovations, water and energy concerns, integration of AI, and O&M.

ccme.news/event/dc-dialogue

IDEC Innovations

IDEC Innovations

(1st Edition)

16 April 2026 | Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

INDIRECT Direct Evaporative Cooling (IDEC) is on a roll, if proponents are to be believed. Adding heft to the "momentum" is regulation specific to IDEC in the Kingdom. IDEC Innovations will spotlight the regulation and provide an opportunity to present case studies that indicate acceptance, progress and yet another peg in the sustainable cooling pole.

Women IN ENGINEERING

16 April 2026 | Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Women in Engineering

(1st Edition) Co-located event

16 April 2026 | Riyadh, Saudi Arabia



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6th edition

03 JUNE 2026 | DUBAI, UAE

The Client, Consultant, Contractor Conference

03 June 2026 | Dubai, UAE

“THE Client, Consultant, Contractor Conference” is the most comprehensive ever and largest gathering of general and MEP consultants and contractors in the GCC region with a clearly defined agenda to discuss issues that are preventing and, at times, perhaps even impairing them from delivering optimal solutions. The conference comes at a critical time, with Dubai announcing an update to the Contractor and Engineering Consultancy Rating System, in mid-2025. Set to come into force in early 2026, it aims to usher in a more accurate and integrated framework for evaluating the performance of construction firms and engineering offices across the emirate. According to Dubai Municipality, it will include a wider range of performance indicators and assessment criteria, which will enable more precise evaluations of technical capacity, project execution quality, regulatory compliance and sustainability practices.

Dubai Municipality said the updated rating system, which is expected to provide greater transparency to property developers and property owners, will assess contractors and consultants on the basis of such KPIs as financial solvency; the rate of emiratization; participation in CSR initiatives; the timely delivery of projects; the adoption of innovative, tech-driven project designs and execution methods; and the integration of detailed feedback from property owners.

The second development in 2025 was the introduction of the updated contracting law (Law No. 7), under which all contractors operating in Dubai have to be classified based on their expertise, qualifications and whether they have the resources to take on a project. Further, the law stipulates that any sub-contracts can be awarded only after prior approval.

There is no disputing the fact that best practices in consultancy and contracting services represent two important pillars that hold up such targets as greater energy efficiency (towards lowering emissions and the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)), reliability and Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ). In view of this, the Conference hears consultants and contractors speak on their concerns and explore the pathway to an enabling environment for them to sustain their businesses and to offer the best-in-class solutions.

Naturally, this unique and comprehensive gathering of general and specialised MEP consultants and contractors offers a unique opportunity for manufacturers and suppliers to showcase updates in technologies and their applications.

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2026 EVENTS



DC Dialogue

(14th Edition)

23 September 2026 | Dubai, UAE

THE 14th Edition of DC Dialogue, which looks at policies, regulations, standards, technological, financial and legal aspects of District Cooling, will sustain the focus on the progress made in increasing the penetration of this sustainable approach to cooling across the UAE landscape. DC Dialogue is a seasoned conference that gathers blue-chip stakeholders intent on finding sophisticated approaches to District Cooling that effectively address the means to developing cost-effective greenfield projects, retrofitting brownfield schemes, technological innovations, water and energy concerns, integration of AI, and O&M.

[ccme.news/event/dc-dialogue](https://www.ccme.news/event/dc-dialogue)



The Rain Resilience Conference

(2nd Edition)

September 2026 | Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

BUILDING resilience in cities is essential to not only make populations and infrastructure less susceptible to damage and loss but to also make them more agile to the unpredictable nature of climate change impacts. The increase in frequency and intensity of extreme weather events demands more than incremental change – it demands a revolution in how we approach infrastructure, where resilience is not just an aspiration; it's an inherent feature of our infrastructure. By integrating cutting-edge civil, structural and MEP technology (appropriate sustainable architectural design and engineering considerations), we can develop infrastructure that stands the test of time. The Rain Resilience Conference is a mission-critical event that will propose a roadmap for strengthening region-wide safety and minimising disruption and damage.

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2026 EVENTS



THE GREAT HVACR FAIR

The Climate Control Conference (C3) (12th Edition)

Middle East Variable Refrigerants Flow Conference (10th Edition) (co-located event)

Climate Control SAUDI Awards (3rd Edition) (co-located event)

5-7 October 2026 | Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

THE oldest conference in the CPI Industry events portfolio sits well in Saudi Arabia against the backdrop of the mega projects in the Kingdom, given its unique approach of intensely discussing all disciplines HVAC, towards the aim of contributing to socio-economic and sustainable development targets. With Saudi Arabia undergoing sweeping changes, the objective of the 12th Edition of C3 is to look in-depth at HVAC systems that can ably support the developments and be part of an integrated eco-system that results in smart cities, and an enhanced and sustainable standard of living.

With the Government leading the way in introducing regulation for VRFs (expected in the end of the year), a significant milestone has been nearly reached that would give much-needed framework for the cooling approach. What would the impending regulation mean for VRF technology in the marketplace? And what progress has been made in terms of gathering valid operational data that would find appeal amongst the consultant community? These are key topics of discussion in the 10th Edition of the Middle East Variable Refrigerants Flow Conference.

As an icing on the cake is the other co-located event – the 3rd Edition of Climate Control SAUDI Awards (a part of CPI Industry's much-vaunted Awards Programme, which has seen 18 editions so far), which aims to recognise and honour beyond-the-call-of-duty engineering and project management efforts, among other aspects supporting the Kingdom's objectives of sophisticated socio-economic and sustainable development targets.

www.C3.com

2026 EVENTS



Food Chain

(12th edition)

21 October 2026 | Dubai, UAE

THE digital transformation of the food cold chain, including retail aspects, is the theme of the 12th edition of Food Chain. Digital technologies are blowing significant changes into all aspects of the cold chain, and the benefits, in the form of improvements in food safety & quality assurance (FSQA) and food security, are palpable. Food Chain is a coming together of all food and agri cold chain disciplines, including post-harvest, 3PL cold storage warehousing companies, dedicated warehouses (large, medium and small), transport refrigeration (body-building, condensing unit and fleet management) experts, government regulators, contractors, consultants, technology solutions providers, supermarkets, hypermarkets and other sectoral end-users for macro- and micro-discussions.

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Climate Control Awards

(16th edition)

24 November 2026 | Dubai, UAE

POPULARLY known as the 'Oscars of the HVACR Industry', the objective of the black-tie, gala dinner event is to recognise merit across the various disciplines of the HVACR industry and to raise the bar on building performance, cold chain and fire safety, to name three. To achieve the objective, CPI Industry enlists the services of seasoned HVACR and other relevant domain-specific professionals as judges and of a third-party certification agency to evaluate companies under several categories. Into its 16th year, the Climate Control Awards exercise serves as an objective and accurate barometer of the industry.

www.climatecontrolawards.com/uae



Climate Control Awards Qatar

(1st Edition)

20 January 2027 | Doha, Qatar

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