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NEW SILK ROAD

CEO

– OF THE YEAR –

AWARDS
2025

FUJAIRAH

**Held Under The Patronage of
His Highness Sheikh Hamad Bin Mohammed Al-Sharqi
Member of the Supreme Council and The Ruler of Fujairah, UAE**



The New Silk Road CEO of the Year Awards



The New Silk Road CEO of the Year Awards Recognize Industry Leaders with an Outstanding Record of Achievement in the Advancement of the Physical Energy Markets East of Suez and their Connectivity Across the Middle East-Asia Corridor

The New Silk Road CEO of the Year Awards were conceived to celebrate the pioneering industry leaders who are spearheading the transformation of energy markets across this ancient trading route connecting Asia with the Middle East & Africa, which is literally changing the direction of international energy flows. Given that Fujairah has been an active participant across these oceans for 500 years, it is only fitting for this celebration of industry leaders to take place outside the Straits of Hormuz in one of the world's top 3 energy hubs.

China's **Belt Road Initiative** is set to be the world's largest platform for economic cooperation, trade and financing collaboration. Reaching more than 60 countries across Asia to the Middle East, and 4.4 billion people with a combined GDP of \$21 trillion, the BRI is redrawing the global energy map through investment in new infrastructure that underpins the reemergence of ancient trading routes. The rise of the Arab world, China and India are part of the same story, once historic partners along the Old Silk Road. It isn't a coincidence that Arab traders have returned to Asia at the same time that China is leading an Asian wave of nations that are fast regaining their share of the global economy.

Much of this economic reintegration from the Arabian Peninsula to the massive populations of Asia is built on a foundation of physical energy: Trading – Refining – Storage - Ports & Shipping

Vision
*Celebrate
Excellence & Impact
of Current Leaders*

Mission
*Motivate & Inspire
Next Generation
of Industry Leaders*

Awards Producer



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Gulf Intelligence is a Strategic Communications Consultancy & Publisher engaged across the full value-chain of the Middle East Energy Sector, with an unparalleled last mile of connectivity in the region for over 15 years. At GI we facilitate critical knowledge exchange and networking between National and International energy stakeholders tasked with leading the development of the physical energy markets East of Suez.

INTERNATIONAL SELECTION COMMITTEE NOMINATION PROCESS

Industry Leaders are Judged for their Performance in the Following Areas:

- *Impact on Physical Energy Markets*
- *Leadership & Partnership*
- *Innovative & Creative Thinking*
- *Long-term Vision*

Step 1: Each year a group of distinguished business leaders are invited to join the 8-member International Selection Committee to curate the evaluation process for the next class of awardees.

Step 2: The 8-members of the International Selection Committee are invited to submit one or two Nominees for each of the Six Award Categories – 1. LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT; 2. TRADING; 3. STORAGE; 4. PORTS & SHIPPING; 5. REFINING; 6. PRICING & INTELLIGENCE – from which a TOP 10 LIST is assembled.

Step 3: The International Selection Committee is then invited to Rank their Top 5 choices in each of the Award categories based on their performance in the areas of: Impact – Leadership & Partnership – Innovative and Creative Thinking – Long-Term Vision.

Step 4: The five-highest scoring nominees of each category are placed on a Top-5 shortlist that is sent out to 50 energy market stakeholders engaged in the New Silk Road physical energy markets connecting the Middle East and Asia to vote on.

Step 5: The results of the voting is combined, with the Selection Committee results having a weighting of 80% and the results of the 50 Energy Market Stakeholders having a weighting of 20%.

Step 6: The highest ranked nominees are invited to attend the Gala Awards Dinner in Fujairah on Oct. 1st 2025.

International Selection Committee 2025



Sultan Albigishi
CEO
ADNOC Refining



Rüya Bayegan
Group CEO
BGN



Torbjörn Törnqvist
Chairman
Gunvor Group



Kieran Gallagher
Executive Committee Member, Vitol
and Head of Vitol Asia



Abdullah Al Dossary
Managing Director
Aramco Trading Fujairah



Philippe Khoury
Executive Vice President, Sales & Trading,
ADNOC Group



Capt. Mousa Morad
Managing Director
Port of Fujairah



Sean Evers
Managing Partner
Gulf Intelligence

NEW SILK ROAD CEO OF THE YEAR AWARDS WINNERS 2017-2024

Lifetime Achievement Award



HE Dr. Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber
Minister of Industry and Advanced
Technology & UAE Special Envoy for
Climate Group MD & CEO of ADNOC &
Chairman of Masdar
2019 Winner



Chris Bake
Member of the Executive Committee, Vitol
& Chairman of VTTI
2022 Winner



Philippe Khoury
Executive Vice President, Sales & Trading
ADNOC Group
2023 Winner



H.E. Eng. Suhail Al Mazrouei
Minister of Energy and Infrastructure
United Arab Emirates
2024 Winner



Rüya Bayegan
Group CEO
BGN
2024 Winner

Trading



Ibrahim Al-Buainain
Executive Vice President
Global Manufacturing
Aramco
2017 Winner



Marco Dunand
CEO
Mercuria Energy Group
2018 Winner



Thomas Waymel
President
Trading & Shipping
TotalEnergies Trading S.A.
2019 Winner



Russell Hardy
Group CEO
Vitol
2020 Winner



Khaled Salmeen
Executive Director, Downstream Industry,
Marketing & Trading Directorate, ADNOC
2022 Winner



Talal Al-Awfi
Vice General Manager
Group CEO
OQ
2023 Winner



Torbjörn Törnqvist
Chairman
Gunvor Group
2024 Winner

Storage



Eelco Hoekstraz
Member of Executive
Board of Directors
SHV
2017 Winner



Yusef Hussain Sultan Al Junaidy
Managing Director, Horizons Terminals
ENOC GROUP
2018 Winner



Roger Chia Kim Piow
Chairman
Managing Director
Rafferty Group of Companies
2019 Winner



Rob Nijst
Former CEO
VTTI
2020 Winner



Michiel Gilsing
Member Executive Board & CFO
Royal Vopak
2022 Winner



Baoming Shi
Vice General Manager
Sinopec Kantons Holdings Limited
Former General Manager,
Fujairah Oil Terminal Pze
2023 Winner



Tyler Baron
CEO
Minerva Bunkering
2024 Winner



Dick Richelle
Chairman of the Executive Board and
CEO of Royal Vopak
2024 Winner

Refining



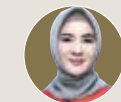
Bakheet Al-Rashidi
Chairman
UAHPC - Kuwait
2017 Winner



Abdulaziz M. Al Judaimi
Former Senior Vice President -
Downstream, Saudi Aramco
2018 Winner



Datuk Md Arif Mahmood
Chairman
Board of Directors
KPI Healthcare Berhad
2019 Winner



Nicke Widayawati
President Director & CEO
PT Pertamina (Persero)
2020 Winner



Dr. Mohammed Y. Al Qahtani
President - Downstream
Saudi Aramco
2022 Winner



H.E. Saif Humaid Al Falasi
Group CEO
ENOC Group
2023 Winner



Sultan Albigishi
CEO
ADNOC Refining
2024 Winner

Ports & Shipping



Capt. Mousa Morad
Managing Director
Port of Fujairah
2017 Winner



Andrew Tan
Former Chief Executive
Maritime & Port Authority of Singapore
2018 Winner



Admiral Mohab Mohamed
Hussein Mamish
Former Presidential Advisor
Suez Canal Economic Zone Projects
& Egyptian Suez Canal
2019 Winner



Quah Ley Hoon
Group CEO
CapitaLand Investment
2020 Winner



Kristian Mørch
CEO
J. Lauritzen
2020 Winner



Captain Mohamed Juma
Al Shamisi
Managing Director & Group CEO
AD Ports Group
2022 Winner



Capt. Abdulkareem
Al Masabi
Chairman AW Shipping and CEO
ADNOC Logistics & Services
2023 Winner



Eng. Ahmed Ali Al-Subaey
CEO
Bahri Group
2024 Winner

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CEO, ADNOC Logistics & Services

REFINING



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ADNOC

PORTS & SHIPPING



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Managing Director & Group CEO
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STORAGE



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REFINING



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Senior Vice President – Downstream
Saudi Aramco

STORAGE



Michiel Gilsing
Member Executive Board & CFO
Royal Vopak



Winners 2020

TRADING



Russell Hardy
Group Chief Executive Officer
Vitol

PORTS



Quah Ley Hoon
Chief Executive
Maritime and Port Authority of
Singapore

STORAGE



Rob Nijst
Chief Executive Officer
VTTI

REFINING



Nicke Widyawati
President Director & Chief Executive
Officer
PT Pertamina (Persero)

SHIPPING



Kristian Mørch
Chief Executive Officer
ODFJELL SE



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Thomas Waymel
President Trading & Shipping
Total Oil Trading SA

STORAGE



Roger Chia Kim Piow
Chairman & Managing Director
Rotary Group of Companies

PORTS



**H.E. Admiral
Mohab Mamish**
Chairman
Suez Canal Authority, Egypt

REFINING



Datuk Md Arif Mahmood
Executive Vice President &
CEO of Downstream
PETRONAS



H.H. Sheikh Saleh Bin Mohammed Al Sharqi, Chairman of Department of Industry & Economy, Fujairah and Ibrahim Al Buainain, CEO & President, Aramco Trading with the 2019 Winners from Rotary Group of Companies, Suez Canal Authority, Egypt, Petronas and Total Oil Trading SA.

Winners 2018

TRADING



Marco Dunand
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STORAGE



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Kuwait Petroleum International (Q8)





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