

SPE Bahrain section concludes final knowledge sharing session of the Year

Highlights Energy Transition Insights and Future Vision



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The Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Bahrain Section successfully concluded its final Knowledge Sharing Session of 2025, bringing together leaders, professionals, and emerging talents from across the energy sector. The gathering represented the culmination of a dynamic year—one shaped by purposeful dialogue, technical depth, and a shared commitment to advancing the industry's future. The session featured an insightful keynote speech by Dr. Hasan Al-Mulla titled “Energy Transition – 10 Lessons



Learned from Early Movers”, highlighting how countries and energy companies that led early in the transition offer indispensable lessons for today's decision-makers. Drawing on more than two decades of experience in major national energy projects, Dr. Hasan explained that successful transitions require more than modern technologies — they demand the right sequencing of priorities, starting with energy security, ensuring affordability, and then scaling sustainability. He emphasized the importance of infrastructure readiness, industrial strategy, talent development, policy stability, collaboration, and public trust, noting that the Gulf region could position itself to

lead what he described as the “Second Era of Energy Leadership.” In his remarks, the SPE Bahrain Chairperson, Abdullah Al-Thawadi, began by extending heartfelt appreciation to His Excellency Dr. Mohamed bin Mubarak Bin Daina, Minister of Oil and Environment, Special Envoy for Climate Affairs, and SPE Bahrain Honorary Chairperson, for his guidance, support, and continuous encouragement throughout the year. He emphasized that the success of the 2025 technical program reflects the Minister's vision and commitment to strengthening professional development and enriching the energy community. The Chairperson also expressed sincere gratitude to Bapco Energies for their valuable sponsorship and support that enabled the Society to sustain a strong and

impactful knowledge-sharing platform. He further thanked all SPE volunteers, the SPE Bahrain team, and the SPE Bahrain Technical Committee, recognizing their dedication, passion, and behind-the-scenes work that shaped every session, workshop, and initiative delivered throughout the year.

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He highlighted that SPE Bahrain delivered ten major events in 2025 including knowledge sharing session, workshops, courses, which formed a comprehensive technical agenda that spanned subsurface innovation, digital transformation, operational excellence, and emerging strategic themes. These efforts elevated learning, fostered collaboration, and strengthened the Society's role as a leading hub for knowledge exchange across the energy

community. Looking ahead, the section announced that the 2026 Technical Program is shaping into one of its most ambitious lineups yet. Planned themes include next-generation reservoir technologies, digital subsurface workflows, AI-driven optimization, process engineering advancements, safety innovation, and the rising role of human-factors engineering. These topics reflect global industry trends and SPE Bahrain's commitment to nurturing future-ready talent. SPE Bahrain now turns its attention toward a major milestone—the Silver Jubilee celebration, planned for April 2026, marking more than twenty-five years of collaboration, service, and technical excellence. The Jubilee will launch the section into a new era of purpose, innovation, and expanded impact.

NBB launches First-of-Its-Kind Thara'a 'Mobile Experience' pop-up activation across Bahrain

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The National Bank of Bahrain (NBB) is hitting the road with its first-ever Thara'a Mobile Experience Hub, bringing a dynamic, festival-style roadshow filled with entertainment, digital games, instant rewards, and community engagement to neighbourhoods across the Kingdom. Designed as a roaming pop-up experience, the Thara'a roadshow features interactive digital zones, fun challenges, and exciting activities for visitors of all ages. Guests can take part in the games and enjoy the immersive setup for a chance to win instant cash prizes by



opening and depositing BHD 50 or more into their Thara'a account.

The Mobile Experience Hub will kick off at Muharraq Nights from 10th and 11th December,

before continuing its journey to various vibrant destinations. Each stop will bring new sur-

prises, new winners, and a new chance to join the fun. To learn about our upcoming locations,

please follow NBB social media channels. Commenting on the occasion, Subah Abdullatif Al Zayani, Chief Executive of Retail Banking at NBB, said, “The Thara'a Pop-Up allows us to connect with the community in a fresh, interactive, and rewarding way. We're excited to take this experience on the road during such a festive season, meeting customers where they are, celebrating together, and giving away prizes at every stop.” As the December Thara'a draws get underway, customers have the chance to win two seafont villas and a total of 2 million in cash prizes awarded to four winners. Looking ahead, the January Thara'a draw offers even more excitement, with one seafont villa at the luxurious Al Naseem development in Diyar Al Muharraq up for grabs. Customers can open a Thara'a Prize Account through the NBB Digital Banking app, at any NBB branch, via nbbonline.com, or by calling 1721 4433.