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WFDB confirms dates and venue of 2011 WFDB Presidents Meeting

Antwerp, October 26, 2010 -- The 2011 Presidents' Meeting of the World Federation of Diamond Bourses (WFDB) takes place April 11-14 at the Jumeirah Meydan Hotel in Dubai, , , adjacent to the prestigious [Meydan Race Course](http://www.dubairacingclub.com), (<http://www.dubairacingclub.com>) home to "The Dubai World Cup" horse race. The 2011 WFDB Presidents' Meeting will be hosted by the [Dubai Multi Commodities Centre \(DMCC\)](http://www.dmcc.ae/) (<http://www.dmcc.ae/>) and the [Dubai Diamond Exchange \(DDE\)](http://www.dmcc.ae/en/precious-commodities/precious-gems/diamonds.html). (<http://www.dmcc.ae/en/precious-commodities/precious-gems/diamonds.html>)

In their invitation to the presidents of the WFDB- affiliate diamond bourses, the DMCC's Executive Chairman, Ahmed Bin Sulayem, and Peter Meeus, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Dubai Diamond Exchange (DDE) wrote that in less than 10 years, Dubai has become one of the leading international diamond centers in the world. "The DDE is an international diamond trading and value-adding platform and Dubai's strategic location continues to provide a crucial gateway between the producing countries, the major production centers and the emerging consuming markets of the region," they wrote.

Some of the sessions of the gathering will take place at the [Almas Tower](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Almas_Tower), (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Almas_Tower) home to the Dubai Diamond Exchange. As well as being home to more than 300 regional and international diamond and precious gems companies, the Almas Tower is home to the Dubai Diamond Exchange and provides both the DDE and the tenants with a complete service for all relevant members in the diamond, gem and jewellery trade - from grading to shipping, and from trading to networking.

WFDB Avi Paz thanked the DMCC for hosting the event in Dubai. "Dubai is a fantastic venue to hold the 2011 WFDB Presidents' Meeting. As Dubai is a fast growing diamond trading center and distribution hub, holding a WFDB event at the home of the Dubai Diamond Exchange has been long coming," he stated.

Registration for the 2011 WFDB Presidents Meeting will be conducted via www.2011presidentsmeeting.com which will start operating on January 1, 2011. A detailed programme of the meeting will be forthcoming soonest.

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