



Monthly Newsletter | September 2026

Dear Members & Friends,

September has been an energising month for our chapter, with the CoreNet Global Summit EMEA in Munich bringing together CRE professionals from across the region and beyond.

The Summit gave us the opportunity to exchange ideas, build new connections, and reflect on the changes shaping our profession. The conversations highlighted the growing strategic role of corporate real estate, the practical impact of technology and AI, and the continued importance of creating workplaces that support people, performance, and business needs.

What stood out most was the value of bringing different perspectives together. While every market faces its own challenges, many of our priorities are shared. The Summit reinforced the importance of staying connected, learning from one another, and bringing those insights back to our local communities.

We now look ahead to our October events which as well as our monthly learning event, we also reconvene in **Riyadh** on **13th October**, for a discussion on how **Vision 2030** is reshaping Saudi Arabia's real estate landscape and creating new opportunities across development, investment, and asset ownership. On **15th October**, our **Young Leaders** Committee will bring together Young Leaders and Step Up members at **Five Iron Golf Dubai** for an informal evening of games, conversations, and networking.

I look forward to seeing many of you at these events as we continue building stronger connections and creating meaningful learning opportunities across our chapter.

Stay curious. Stay connected.

Samer Mahdi
Chapter Chair



Event Spotlight



Ready to Level Up Your Network?

The **Young Leaders Committee** invites all Young Leaders and Step Up members to an evening at **Five Iron Golf Dubai**. Whether you are looking to perfect your swing or simply connect with peers across the corporate real estate sector, join us for interactive golf, great conversations, and a selection of drinks and refreshments. [Register!](#)

Upcoming Events

13 October 2026
Growth in the Saudi Real Estate Sector:
Founded in Vision, Driven by Opportunity
Riyadh
[Register](#)

15 October 2026
Five Iron Golf Dubai
Young Leaders & Step Ups (40yrs and under)
Dubai
[Register](#)

29th October 2026
Indoor Air Quality & the WELL Building Standard
Dubai
[Register](#)

5th November 2026
Experience Resonance at Dubai Design Week
Dubai
[Save the Date](#)

18 November 2026
What's Next for Commercial Real Estate?
Dubai (Joint event with the RICS)
[Save the Date](#)

9 December 2026
Savills Market Update & Expo City Master Plan
[Save the Date](#)

New Member Spotlight

Please join us in welcoming **Edith Eddy**, a Dubai-based workplace and corporate real estate specialist with 22 years of experience. Previously a Senior Strategy Consultant at Gensler Dubai and Director at JLL Lisbon,

Edith helps financial, tech, energy, and professional services occupiers optimise their real estate portfolios. Trained as an architect with an MBA from Nova SBE and MIT Sloan, Edith speaks English, Portuguese, and Farsi. Currently connecting with organisations on their upcoming property decisions, Edith enjoys boxing, cooking, and hosting outside of work. Welcome, Edith!



WEBINAR



COURSE SCHEDULE



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Join a webinar on 1st October 2026, exploring the CoreNet Global report, **Energy is at the Forefront in the Next Phase of ESG**. Discover how innovative energy mgt., technology, advanced building analytics, and smarter operational systems can help your organisation reduce costs, strengthen long-term resilience, and accelerate critical sustainability goals. Secure your spot today!

Make 2027 your year to level up your corporate real estate skills! Select from a variety of programmes, including the prestigious **MCR** designation or targeted single-certificate courses covering **DE&I**, **ESG**, **Workplace Experience**, and more. Advance your expertise, expand your global network, and drive greater impact in your organization today. **Secure your future now!**

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Industry News

UAE ranks fourth globally for nuclear facility protection

The UAE has ranked fourth among 48 countries assessed for protecting nuclear facilities against sabotage in the 2026 Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI) Nuclear Security Index. The country's score for security and control measures rose from 66 points in 2023 to 86 in 2026, with the assessment highlighting improvements in physical protection, cybersecurity, personnel vetting and preparedness. [Read more](#) at Construction Week.

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