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Gautam Mukhopadhyay, Vice President - Foundry, Elkem South Asia Pvt. Ltd.



BUSINESS SESSION II

(L to R) : **Suhas D. Sontakke**, Dy. General Manager, Bank of Baroda ;
Franz Schroeder, Executive Vice President, ABP Induction Systems GmbH ;
Sundara Murthy, President, Indian Foundry Organization ;
Tamer Said, Middle East Head of Sales & Marketing, MAGMA Middle East ;



The first 'Middle East Foundry Summit' was organised by 'Metalworld' on July 20 and 21 at Dubai. Participants from various countries like India, UK, Germany, South Africa, Oman, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, and UAE were present. Diverse speakers from the producing and supplying sector discussed the issues faced by the foundry industry.

The event commenced with panel discussion. The topic for the discussion was 'Future of Foundry Sector in Middle East Region'. Whereas, on the second day, the topic for the discussion was 'Efficiency improvement in Foundries'.

The conference was divided into three Business Sessions. Two sessions were conducted on the first day followed by dinner on the Cruise. During the session, Franz Schroeder, Executive Vice President, ABP Induction Systems GmbH stated that, "We are looking for new growing markets". On the other hand, V. Narasimhan, Executive Director, Brakes India Pvt. Ltd. reported about his Dunes Oman LLC project, the attendees agreed in the basic statement, "When automotive comes, then foundries will be growing".

The third business session was held on the second day concluded by lunch. An exposition was also organised alongside the conference for the display of products and services related to foundry sector.

With this in mind, there is absolutely demand for further discussions, meetings and future summits to find out what is a realistic prospective and what are their origin needs in Saudi Arabia, UAE and all the other countries, which could be addressees of a Middle East Foundry Summit.



BUSINESS SESSION III

(L to R) : **Gaurang Maniyar**, India Head - Marketing & Business Development, Morgan Advanced Materials ; **Manish Kothari**, Managing Director, Rhino Machines Pvt. Ltd. ;
Thomas Fritsch, Managing Director, Foundry Planet Ltd. ;
Sharath Kumar, Project Manager, IMInex Metallurgical Co. Pvt. Ltd.



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