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The AGBI team brings a wealth of experience, comprised of former senior executives from international titles including The Times, The Telegraph, the Financial Times and The Wall Street Journal as well as local publishers such as Arabian Business and The National.

Our mission is to become an essential tool for ambitious business people and established leaders alike, helping them identify the region's key commercial opportunities and challenges.

In technology-accelerated markets where content is created in an instant, we stand apart to deliver insight rather than simply present information, to facilitate understanding rather than contribute to the noise, and to provide the focus that informs good business decisions.

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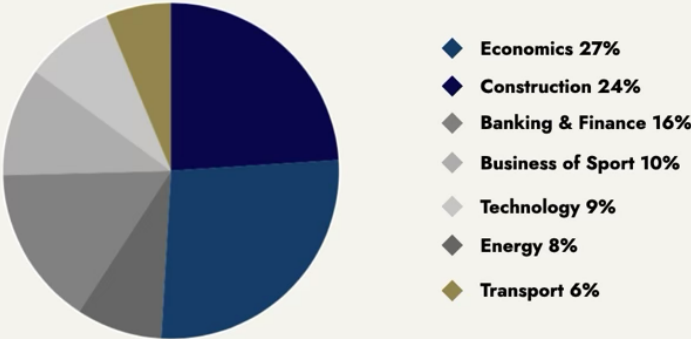
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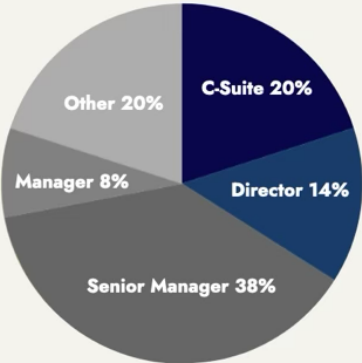
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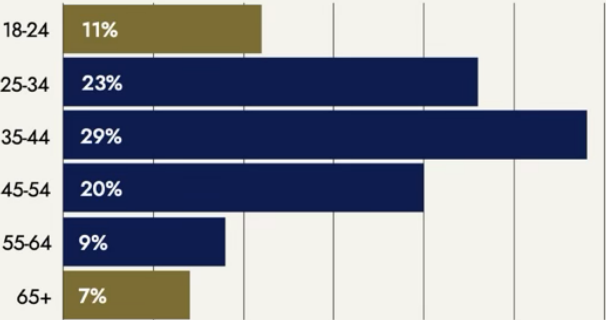
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The Middle East's aviation sector is growing at twice the global rate and is expected to offer 257 million passenger seats this year, according to a new report.

Not so long ago major airlines viewed the Middle East as a place to get cheap fuel on their way from Europe to South East Asia. Now it is one of the fastest-growing markets in the world.

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Saudi Arabia wants to ensure that the futurism of its giga-projects does not smother the diversity of its local architecture, according to the head of the government's Architecture and Design Commission.

One of the most striking features of the kingdom's transformation plan launched in 2016 has been its design – from otherworldly resorts planned for [new city Neom](#) to a [vast cube](#) structure big enough to fit 20 Empire State Buildings at a new downtown district in Riyadh.

Preserving heritage and integrating local design into the projects – such as the Najdi style in the Riyadh region, Hijazi style in Jeddah or Asseeri style in Abha – has become an imperative, said Sumayah Al-Solaiman, CEO of the commission.

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"There are sometimes instances where there is reverence for the vernacular and everything new and modern is shunned but that is not the case in Saudi Arabia at all," she said. "We embrace the new and innovative without losing who we are."

The commission – one of 11 overseen by the ministry of culture – has a remit to advise and guide the multitude of projects, which led one real estate consultancy to dub Saudi Arabia the biggest construction site in the world.

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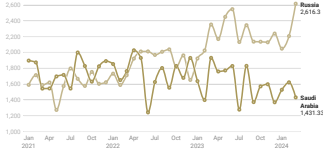
Russia was China's biggest oil supplier once again in April, according to official figures, staying ahead of Saudi Arabia thanks to its cheaper crude.

However, crude flows from Riyadh to Beijing are expected to increase as the kingdom strengthens its presence in the Chinese energy sector, analysts have told AGBI.

Russia's crude oil exports to China were up 30 percent year on year in April, according to data from Beijing's General Administration of Customs. Supplies from Saudi Arabia were down 25 percent over the same period.

China's oil imports

Imports in 1,000 barrels per day



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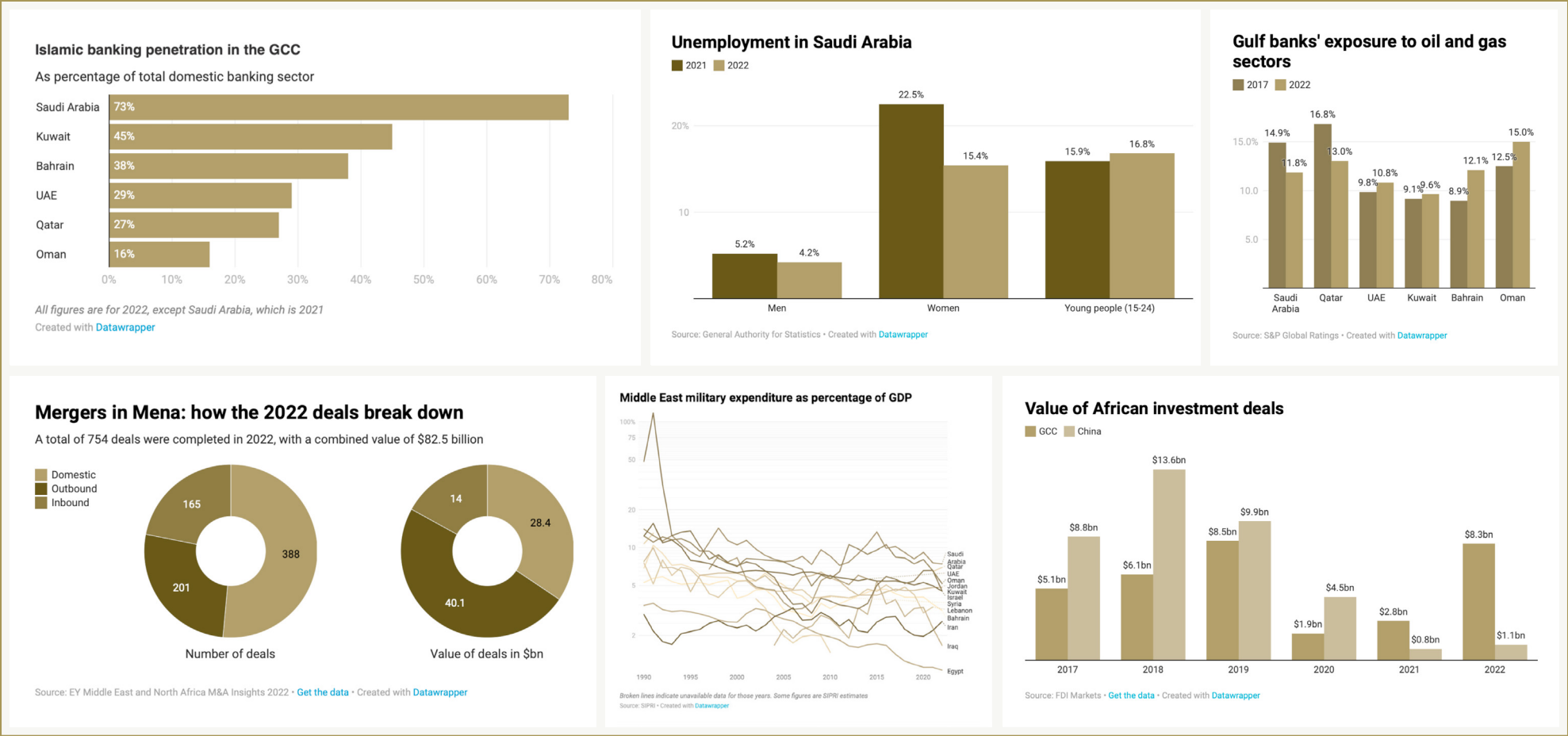
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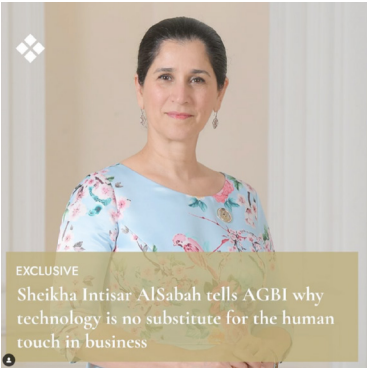
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
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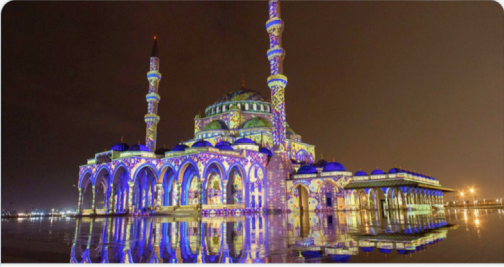
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John Pagano
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Great interview, thanks **AGBI - Arabian Gulf Business Insight**.

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November 2023 saw AI experts flying in from the US, Europe and Asia to discuss the global learnings from AI implementation across industries. The panel of speakers and audience discussed a range of topics exploring the there “Does AI enable us do things better, or to do better things”?

The business leaders who came to the invitation-only event commented on the calibre of attendees, and expressed their appreciation to AGBI for bringing global AI experts to the UAE. We expect many to attend future events in 2024.

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Jessica Groopman Panel Speaker



“We thoroughly enjoyed being part of this event — the audience was high-calibre, the evening well-organized. We were impressed with the coverage and interest

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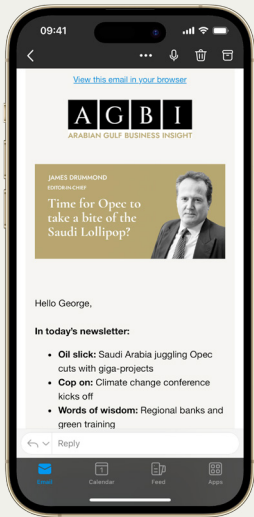
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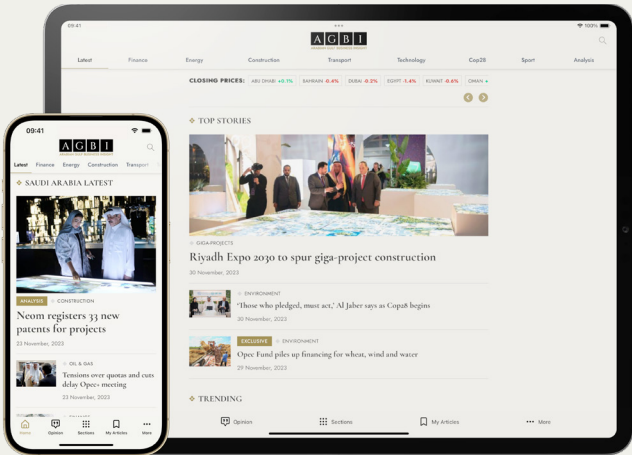
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