
H.E. Sheikh Mohammed bin Hamad bin Qassim Al Abdullah Al Thani inaugurates Big 5 Construct Qatar and INDEX Design Qatar in Doha



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- *Running until 15 October, the events unite the construction and interior design community*
- *Co-located with Cityscape Qatar, Big 5 Construct Qatar and INDEX Design Qatar feature over 250 brands from 25 countries*

- *The events host CPD-certified Big 5 Talks on days 1 and 2, as INDEX Design Talks welcome industry experts for interactive sessions on day 3*

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H.E. Sheikh Mohammed Bin Hamad Bin Qassim Al-Abdullah Al-Thani, Minister of Commerce and Industry officiated the grand opening of Big 5 Construct Qatar, INDEX Design Qatar and Cityscape Qatar at the Doha Exhibition and Convention Center (DECC) on 13 October. Held under the patronage of His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed Bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Thani, Qatar's Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, the events bring together Qatar's construction, design and real estate sectors.

Featuring over 250 brands and showcasing products, services, systems and solutions, Big 5 Construct Qatar and INDEX Design Qatar support Qatar's economic growth and urban development in alignment with Qatar National Vision 2030. The events, running until 15 October, are expected to attract thousands of professionals, investors and decision-makers, creating an invaluable platform for industry collaboration.

Big 5 Construct Qatar and INDEX Design Qatar is complemented by co-located event Cityscape Qatar, now in its 12th edition that showcases over 110 real estate projects from more than 90 developers, offering insights into the country's dynamic property market.

Muhammed Kazi, Senior Vice President – Construction at dmg events, said: “Big 5 Construct Qatar and INDEX Design Qatar have firmly established themselves as prestigious international events that facilitate meaningful engagement between the public and private sectors, driving collaboration and transformative change. The events make a significant contribution to Qatar’s ambitious development goals under Qatar National Vision 2030, offering the industry an essential platform to support ongoing and upcoming projects, as well as to shape urban landscapes through advanced and sustainable design solutions.”

Rawad Sleem, Co-founder & General Manager of NeXTfairs, said: “We are truly honored by the patronage of Qatar’s Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed Bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Thani, and deeply thankful to His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed bin Hamad bin Qassim Al Abdullah Al Thani, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, for officially opening this important event. Our heartfelt gratitude also goes out to our sponsors and partners for their unwavering support. These events reflect Qatar’s commitment to achieving the goals outlined in its National Vision 2030. By showcasing innovations in construction, design and real estate, we are supporting sustainable development and economic diversification, key pillars of Qatar’s future growth.”

As Qatar plans to invest \$16.4 billion in infrastructure and real estate by 2025 (Source: Business Wire), these exhibitions foster industry connections, innovation, and growth. The co-location of Big 5 Construct Qatar, INDEX Design Qatar and Cityscape Qatar further cements Qatar's status as a regional hub for excellence in construction, design and real estate

Among the 250 brands showcasing at Big 5 Construct Qatar and INDEX Design Qatar are Al-Tamyeez Security Systems Company, Mega Metal Factory, Gandhi Automations, QTerminals, Sculpt, That's Living, Baldo Design and Evozome.

Commenting on their participation, Ibrahim Malik, Operations Manager, HBK Contracting Company, said: "We expect this exhibition to be a fruitful opportunity to strengthen our relationships within the industry and gain insights into the latest market trends. With the growing focus on sustainable construction and innovative technologies, HBK Contracting is poised to play a pivotal role in shaping Qatar's construction landscape in the coming years."

Attendees on the first day had access to a robust program of CPD-certified Big 5 Talks, featuring high-profile speakers such as Abdulrahman Rajab Mchaweh, Project Management Advisor – Technical Office, Public Works Authority – Ashghal; Lindsey Malcolm, Sustainability Lead, Middle East, Turner & Townsend; John Dye, Contract Specialist, Hyundai Engineering & Construction; and Pamela McDonald, Partner, Head of Doha Office, Pinsent Masons. Some of the

key sessions explored the future of investments in mega projects and the role of public-private partnerships in supporting the public sector, adoption of collaborative contracting models for projects and the road to sustainable construction for a greener future.

To visit the events which run until the 15 October, register via [INDEX Design Qatar](#) and [Big 5 Construct Qatar](#) websites.