



Energy City Qatar

Launched in March 2006, this regionally strategic US\$2.6 billion project is being developed as the Middle East's first integrated energy business centre for the global oil and gas industry.

The proposed clusters in the first phase of the project will include specialist centres for oil and gas producers and downstream operators, shipping and trading companies, service industries, technology companies and information and media businesses. Earlier this year, the latest energy trading platform in the Middle East, the International Mercantile Exchange (IMEX) confirmed its location at Energy City Qatar.

Covering an area of over 1.2 million square metres, Energy City Qatar will include state-of-the-art communications, high tech data storage, support infrastructure, such as specialised storage and maintenance, and high quality commercial and recreational facilities. Other recent developments in 2006 include the signing of agreements with two leading networking companies. The first was with Microsoft to develop and implement a new generation of advanced enterprise-level solutions. The other was with Cisco Systems, a networking company headquartered in San Jose, California, to develop a master plan for advanced technology solutions. Both aim at forming the necessary technology infrastructure required for the groundbreaking project.

Energy City Qatar has been privileged to receive the personal endorsements of Bill Gates, Chairman of Microsoft Corporation, and John T Chambers, Chairman of Cisco Systems Inc.

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Energy City India

The US\$2 billion Energy City India is the second Energy City in a series of energy-focused business clusters planned across the Middle East and Asia. Energy City India will occupy a prime-site of 812 acres in Navi Mumbai (New Mumbai), in the State of Maharashtra. Navi Mumbai is the master-planned, satellite city to Mumbai, the financial and business hub of India.

In October 2006, GFH signed a wide-ranging Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Maharashtra, in the presence of its Chief Minister, which articulated the Government's commitment to the project.

The project will be located within a few kilometres of Navi Mumbai's upcoming new international airport, which will be both the largest and busiest in Asia. The project site is also located along the Mumbai-Pune expressway, which is being developed by the Government as a key business corridor.

The Energy City cluster concept provides a complete business infrastructure to both local and foreign oil and gas producers, as well as downstream refiners and producers and businesses involved in shipping, energy trading and support services.

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