

Temenos Connect MEA'26

Cairo, Egypt | 6-8 October 2026

Agenda | *As at 24 September 2026*

SUMMARY: Temenos Connect MEA'26

6-Oct	18:00 Temenos Connect MEA- Welcome Reception in the HIVE
7-Oct	09:00 – 17:30 Temenos Connect MEA- Main plenary, conference 19:00 – 22:00 Gala Dinner
8-Oct	MEA CXO Golf Experience and/or Cultural tour (TBC)

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Day 1, 6 October

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From	To	Details	Venue
9:00 AM	6:00 PM	Executive Meetings	St. Regis Hotel, Cairo
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	Guest arrival and registration opens	Badge collection at Welcome/Registration desk 1 st Floor, St. Regis Hotel, Cairo
6:00 PM	8:00 PM	Welcome Reception in the HIVE	1 st Floor, St. Regis Hotel, Cairo

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Day 2, 7 October

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From	To	Mins	Topic	Venue
8:00 AM	8:59 AM	60mins	Guest arrival and registration + HIVE open to delegates for networking	1 st Floor, St. Regis Hotel, Cairo
9:00 AM	9:05 AM	5mins	Welcome & Opening	Astor Grand Ballroom 1 st Floor, St. Regis Hotel
9:05 AM	9:15 AM	10mins	Opening Keynote: Santhosh Rao, Managing Director, MEA	
9:15 AM	9:35 AM	20mins	Keynote: Banking & Technology analyst	
9:35 AM	9:50 AM	15mins	Leading Banking Forward in MEA: Ganesan Sriraman, EVP & Global Head of Product Engineering	
9:50 AM	10:00 AM	10mins	Platinum Partner Keynote: Amine Ajouad - Regional Director, ITSS	
10:00 AM	10:10 AM	10mins	Platinum Partner Keynote: Mohamed Zaitoun, Country Head, Ejada Egypt	
10:10 AM	10:30 AM	20mins	Fire-side Chat • Santhosh Rao, Managing Director, MEA, Temenos • Amir Hawash, Country Manager –MENA, ITSS • Kareem Salama, Senior Director, Professional Services, Ejada, Analyst • Moderated by Shane Fernandes, Commercial Director, MEA, Temenos	The HIVE
10:30 AM	11:00 AM	30mins	Coffee break	

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11:00 AM	11:40 AM	40mins	Session 1: Architecting Advantage: Turning Core Modernization into Competitive Differentiation Ganesan Sriraman, EVP & Global Head of Product Engineering, Temenos & Rafik Anevar; Regional Head of Technical BSG, Temenos Customers: Faisal Anwar, CTO at HBL & Ahmed Abouheif, Head of IT Center of Excellence at CIB Gold Partner: Zx Li; Chief Alliance Officer, Huawei	Astor Grand Ballroom 1st Floor, St. Regis Hotel
			Topic: How cloud-native execution, composable architecture, AI-augmented engineering, and continuous modernization redefine banking performance	
			Synopsis: Core modernization is no longer an IT renewal project; it is the strategic foundation for market leadership. In this keynote, Temenos explores how progressive banks leverage cloud-native execution, containerization, composable architectures, and AI-powered development to drive continuous innovation at speed and scale. We will examine why the shift from customization to configuration (“adapt vs. adopt”) dramatically lowers execution risk while unlocking unmatched business agility. The session transitions into an executive panel featuring Temenos technology leaders and prominent MEA bank executives, offering direct insights into how leading institutions are turning architectural modernization into operational resilience and business growth.	
11:40 AM	12:20 PM	40mins	Session 2: AI as embedded intelligence inside the trusted Banking Platform, Christos Panagopoulos, BSG Director, Temenos Customers: Nicholas McKenzie, Engineering Lead at MCB , Gold Partner: Sagheer Ahmed, Global Head – Business Development - USi	
			Topic: Tangible AI for Tangible banking: What Banks can now expect from the use of AI, and how to make AI experiences intuitive, meaningful, and regulated	
			Synopsis: Customers across MEA expect more than digital convenience, they want banking experiences that feel seamless, personalized, and trustworthy. This panel will explore how banks can harness tangible AI to deliver intuitive, meaningful, and valuable journeys, redefining what next-generation banking looks like in practice.	

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12:20 PM	1:00 PM	40mins	Session 3: Accelerate payments at scale- Convert regulatory and market shifts into revenue opportunities and tangible growth Mick Fennel; Business Line Director, Payments, Temenos Gold Partner: Abid Mirza, Head of Sales & Growth – India, Middle East & Africa (IMEA), Tech Mahindra	
			Topic: Payments without borders: Accelerating growth through payments modernization that actively fuels broader development, trade, and competitiveness across MEA	
			Synopsis: Payments are evolving from a back-office utility into a driver of growth and competitiveness across MEA. This panel will explore how modernization enables banks to accelerate at scale, convert regulatory and market shifts into revenue opportunities, and fuel broader development and cross-border trade in the region.	
1:00 PM	1:20 PM	20mins	Session 4: Delivering the Future of Wealth Management Eric Mellor, Wealth Management Specialist – MEA & APAC, Temenos & Anurag Pandey, General Manager & Head, Asia Pacific, Head of Global Sales, additive	Astor Grand Ballroom 1st Floor, St. Regis Hotel
			Synopsis: Wealth management is changing. Global income levels are rising, social safety nets are eroding, and financial literacy rates continue to improve - driving demand for wealth management services across all customer segments. The generational wealth transfer is reshaping the way in which customers interact with their wealth management professionals and the increased use of AI and Machine Learning are enabling hybrid delivery models that increase efficiency, reduce operational costs and make previously unprofitable segments more viable. This new era requires new thinking and new solutions and this was the driving force behind our recent acquisition of additive, a cutting-edge FinTech offering new capabilities specifically designed for a future of hybrid advisory. In this session, Eric Mellor, Wealth Specialist at Temenos will explain the rationale behind this vital strategic acquisition and Anurag Pandey, GM and Head of Global Sales from additive will share more details the functional capability that we can now bring to bear in order to rapidly capture and protect market share and grow new revenue in this rapidly evolving segment.	
1:20 PM	2:00 PM	40mins	Lunch break	The HIVE

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2:00 PM	3:00 PM	60mins	Breakout Session 1a: Risk/Operational efficiency and FCM	Marcus Swanepoel, BSG Manager, Temenos & Adam Gable; Senior Product Director, Temenos Customer: Runyararo Mangondo, Head of Applications Development and Support at CABS ; Silver Partner: Zsolt Godry, Managing Director; Abris	Breakout Session 1b: SaaS	Stewart Davies, Global SaaS Commercial Director at Temenos & Naoures Ben Brahim, Customer Value Director at Temenos Customer Mohamed Roushdy Elbastaweesy CTO at Reem Bank Platinum Partner: Kareem Salama Senior Director, Professional Services, Ejada
			Topic: Risk & Financial Crime Mitigation in banking: Moving beyond risk to real impact		Topic: Intelligent Banking in the SaaS Era: How cloud is accelerating Progressive Modernization in MEA	
			Synopsis: Financial crime is becoming more sophisticated, while sanctions and compliance demands continue to grow. At the same time, customers expect faster, frictionless banking experiences. Discover how next-generation financial crime operations are helping banks strengthen compliance and improve efficiency. Learn how unified customer intelligence, intelligent automation, and Agentic AI enable faster, better-informed investigations while reducing operational effort		Synopsis: The SaaS era is redefining how banks modernize; shifting from risk-laden system replacement to intelligent, cloud-native transformation. This breakout session will explore how cloud accelerates progressive modernization, enabling banks to innovate faster, integrate more easily, and deliver resilient, customer-centric experiences at scale	
3:00 PM	3:40 PM	40mins	Breakout Session 2a: Islamic Banking	Hasan Younes; Principal BSG Consultant, Temenos Customers: Mohamed Hussein, Head of Banking Solutions – Center of Excellence at Bank NXT Hemantha Wijesinghe, Chief Technology Officer, Al Salam Bank Partners: Ammara Masoud, GM - Banking & Financial Services, Systems LTD	Breakout Session 2b: Digital and more on AI	Rakesh Masarapadi; Regional Head of BSG Infinity, Temenos Silver Partner: Miguel Pastor Faria, Team Lead Solutions Architects, comforte
			Topic: Powering Islamic Banking with Temenos: From Sharia Principles to Real-World Implementation		Topic: AI-Powered Banking with Built-in Trust and Data Security	
			Synopsis: Shariah-compliant banking is entering a new digital era, where innovation must align seamlessly with Islamic principles while meeting modern customer expectations. This session will explore how banks across MEA can harness technology to deliver differentiated, compliant, and future-ready financial services that balance tradition with transformation.		Synopsis: Temenos' embedded AI—Copilots and Conversational Studio—to improve operational efficiency, accelerate decision-making and innovation while maintaining auditability and control. Learn how banks design new experiences through natural language in governed environments, and discover how Comforte AG's data security partnership enables compliance and digital transformation simultaneously.	

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3:40 PM	4:20 PM	40mins	Breakout Session 3a: Payments	Mick Fennel; Business Line Director, Temenos, Esraa Moheb; BSG Manager, Temenos Partners: Hussein Abouelhagag Deputy Head COE and Head of Payments, ITSS ; Mohamed El Ansary, Delivery Director, Masaref	Breakout Session 3b: Corporate Lending & asset finance	Nurlan Kubeyev; Principal BSG Consultant, Temenos Customer: Mohammad Khatib Director of Information Technology at The Arab Energy Fund Silver Partner: Catalin Busneag Temenos Practice Lead, Nagarro
			Topic: The modern bank's strategic competitive advantage in Payments		Topic: Reimagining Advantage: Faster and Smarter Financial Innovation with Temenos Product Manager	
			Synopsis: Payments are no longer just a transactional function; they have become a strategic lever for growth, differentiation, and customer engagement. This breakout session will explore how modern payment platforms enable banks to accelerate at scale, respond to regulatory and market shifts, and turn payments into a real source of competitive advantage across MEA. Scaling, linked to a strategic lever for growth		Synopsis: Corporate lending and asset finance are at the heart of regional growth, but legacy models can no longer keep pace with evolving customer expectations and competitive pressures. This breakout session will explore how future-ready platforms, powered by AI and progressive modernization, are transforming asset finance and enabling banks to deliver faster, smarter, and more resilient services that unlock new opportunities across MEA.	
4:30 PM	6:30 PM	120mins	Free time			
6:30 PM	7:00 PM	30mins	Busses depart St. Regis for Gala Dinner venue on the Nile at Four Seasons Hotel			
7:00 PM	10:00 PM		Gala Dinner			

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