



2ND FINTECH WEEK
16 - 17 FEBRUARY
DUBAI 2026

Fintech Week 2026

February 16-17, 2026



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Day 01

Registration & Welcome Coffee

Attendees arrive, register, and network over coffee.

09:00 AM – 09:30 AM

Keynote (Stand Alone)

09:30 AM – 10:10 AM

Panel Discussion –Embedded Payments in
Commerce & B2B: Invisible, Instant &
Intelligent

Faith Musonza, Arsalan
Ahmed, Suji
Gopalakrishnan

10:10 AM – 10:50 AM

Panel Discussion– The Rise of Digital Wallets
& Super Apps: What's Next?

Leila Bouzinab, Amir Tabch,
Harsh Daftary,Khaled
Sallam

Coffee Break

11:20 AM – 12:00 PM

Panel Discussion– Fintech x BigTech:
Collaboration or Competition in Payments?

Hamsini Karthik, Nicolas
Kalokyrus

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

Keynote (Stand Alone)

12:30 PM – 01:00 PM

Keynote (Stand Alone)

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| 01:00 PM – 01:30 PM | Keynote (Stand Alone) | |
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Lunch Break

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| 02:30 PM – 03:10 PM | Panel Discussion – The Role of Open Banking & Open Finance in Driving Payment Innovation | James Ashton–Smith, Tanvir Shah, Imran Kannuti,Amir Tabch |
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| 03:10 PM – 03:30 PM | Keynote (Stand Alone) | |
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| 03:30 PM – 03:50 PM | Keynote (Stand Alone) – Payments Compliance 2.0: Navigating Global Regulations, AML & PSD3 | Amit Grover, MBA |
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| 03:50 PM – 04:30 PM | Panel Discussion –Women in Fintech | May Brooks Kempler |
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Coffee Break

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| 05:00 PM – 06:00 PM | Award Ceremony | |
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Day 02

Registration & Welcome Coffee

Attendees arrive, register, and network over coffee.

09:00 AM – 09:30 AM

Keynote (Stand Alone) – The 64% Problem: Why GTM Still Beats AI

Shelli Ryan, Melanie Lennert

09:30 AM – 10:10 AM

Panel Discussion – Fintech & Banking – Bridging the Divide

Christelle Metni

10:10 AM – 10:50 AM

Panel Discussion – Tokenization, Digital Identity & Secure Authentication

Rouf Rafiq

Coffee Break

11:20 AM – 12:00 PM

Panel Discussion – AI, Biometrics & Behavioral Security: Rethinking Transaction Safety

Muhammed Arshad Choudhary

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM

Keynote (Stand Alone)

12:30 PM – 01:00 PM

Keynote (Stand Alone)

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| 01:00 PM – 01:30 PM | Keynote (Stand Alone) - Building a Global Licensing Strategy for Fintechs/VASPs: Lessons from 10+ Jurisdictions | Nikita Guliaev |
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Lunch Break

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| 02:30 PM – 03:10 PM | Panel Discussion – WealthTech Innovation: Shaping the Future of Investment" | |
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| 03:10 PM – 03:30 PM | Keynote (Stand Alone) - Breaking into Azure via Device Code Phishing and Primary Refresh Token (PRT) Theft | Shebin Mathew |
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| 03:30 PM – 03:50 PM | Keynote (Stand Alone) -Building secure financial workloads on Google' or Navigating Cloud Risk & Compliance with Google Cloud | Akshay Dalal |
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| 03:50 PM – 04:30 PM | Panel Discussion - Addressing the Challenges of Cross-Border Payments | Max Lighter |
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Coffee Break

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| 05:00 PM – 06:00 PM | Award Ceremony | |
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