

# UAE President receives FIFA President

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President His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan today welcomed Gianni Infantino, President of the International Federation of Association Football (FIFA), who is visiting the country to attend the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup tournament, taking place in Dubai.

The meeting, held at Qasr Al Bahr in Abu Dhabi, discussed the cooperative relationship between the UAE and FIFA, especially in organising global sports tournaments and ways to support and enhance this cooperation moving forward.

The discussions also covered FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup UAE 2024 Dubai and the factors contributing to the tournament's success, particularly in terms of infrastructure and organisation, alongside the collaboration between the relevant local entities and FIFA.

His Highness underscored the UAE's commitment to sports as a pivotal element of its vision for comprehensive and sustainable development. He highlighted how global sports events play a crucial role in building bridges and fostering mutual understanding worldwide, especially among youth, enriching their values and promoting a competitive spirit.

Mr Infantino expressed his appreciation for the strong cooperation and coordination between the UAE and FIFA, and commended the country's advanced sports infrastructure, which positions it as a prime location for hosting major international sporting events.

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