

Low Carbon Renewable Energy: Lessons from MENA and Latin America Regions

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Event Description

The success the Paris Agreement is dependent on both the effective implementation of Nationally Determined Contributions, and the increasing ambition of contributions in line with the need for decarbonization of the global economy. Toward this end, countries of the Latin American and Middle East and North African regions have achieved significant deployment of renewable energy, and have ambitious goals for additional deployment. Such achievements have provided these countries with experience in the large-scale deployment of renewable energy. This experience can inform the pathways forward and implementation approaches being adopted as these countries pursue their ambitious goals for additional deployment. Sharing this experience is of great importance as countries continue to look to renewable energy as a means of achieving the necessary decarbonization of energy systems.

This session will bring together government officials, deployment experts, and non-governmental organization partners, to discuss:

- Renewable energy deployment as a viable, high-impact mitigation measure in pursuit of the goals of the Paris Agreement
- Pathways forward for increasing mitigation deployment for countries in Latin America and the Middle East and North Africa regions, and how such pathways can be applied in different development contexts
- How international collaborations can scale-up their current efforts to support accelerated implementation that responds to the need for increased ambition and international cooperation



Agenda

15:00 – 16:30

Session 1 (20 minutes)

Renewable energy deployment as a viable, high-impact mitigation measure in pursuit of the goals of the Paris Agreement

Session 2 (20 minutes)

Pathways forward for increasing mitigation deployment for countries in Latin America and the Middle East and North Africa regions, and how such pathways can be applied in different development contexts

Session 3 (20 minutes)

How international collaborations can scale-up their current efforts to support accelerated implementation that responds to the need for increased ambition and international cooperation

Discussion/Q&A Session (30 minutes)

Chair:

Ambassador Hasan Rahman, Executive Director, CARLAC

Speakers

Dr. Nathan Hultman, Director, Center for Global Sustainability at the University of Maryland (TBC)

Dr. Karim El Aynaoui, Managing Director, OCP Policy Center (TBC)

H.E. Dr. Hakima el Haite, Minister of Environment, Government of Morocco (TBC)

HE Mr. Mohammed bin Abdullah bin Metab Al-Rumaihi, Minister of Municipality and Environment, Qatar

Mr. Carlos Quintana, Fundacion Getulio Vargas, Brazil

Mr. Adnan Amin, Director-General, IRENA

Mohamed Jameel Al Ramahi, Chief Executive Officer, Masdar

HE Mr. Eduardo Braga, Minister of Mines & Energy, Brazil

HE Luz Helena Sarmiento Villamizar, Minister of Environment & Sustainable Development of Colombia

Ms. Erika Streu, Director for Latin America and the Caribbean at Ministry of Energy, Government of Mexico

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