

meetMED Side Event at MENA Climate Week 2023
MENA Energy Transition Trilemma:
Policies, Finance, and Institutional Implementation Capacities
Day: 10/10/2023, Time: 15:00 - 16:00
Room Zone 5.6 - Meeting Room



1. Name of the organization

- Regional Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (RCREEE)
- Mediterranean Association of the National Agencies for Energy Management (MEDENER)
- United Nation Development Programme (UNDP)

2. Type of organization

- Intergovernmental organization

3. Track

- Energy systems and industry

4. Subtrack

- Planning and implementing policies and actions for the energy transition towards efficient and low GHG emission energy systems

5. Event title

MENA Energy Transition Trilemma: Policies, Finance, and Institutional Implementation Capacities

6. Event description

Mitigation Enabling Energy Transition in the Mediterranean region (meetMED) project is a European-funded project, developed by the Mediterranean Association of the National Agencies for Energy Management (MEDENER) and the Regional Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (RCREEE). With the objective of contributing to energy and climate transition in Southern Neighbourhood through a multiscale, multi-partner, inclusive approach, meetMED II activities aim at developing a more stable, efficient, competitive, and climate-resilient socio-economic environment in Southern Mediterranean Countries, by fostering regional cooperation for energy efficiency measures and implementing demo actions. meetMED further aims to enhance the energy security in 8 Arab countries while fostering their transition to low carbon economy. The audience will hear from leading countries' officials on the experiences and plans.

Energy transition is a key solution to reach the 1.5°C target agreed in the Paris Agreement. The event will address the energy transition in the Arab region with a focus on renewable energy (RE) and energy efficiency (EE). The event will showcase the key outcomes of the EU-funded Mitigation Enabling Energy Transition - meetMED project component of access to finance and business models. It will also discuss the results of the Arab Future Energy Index (AFEX-2023), which is a product of RCREEE and UNDP. AFEX aims to monitor and analyse sustainable energy competitiveness and governance in the region, offering quantitative and qualitative analysis for RE&EE market drivers including strategies, policies, institutional and technical capacities, investments, and socioeconomics.

7. Event outcome

The main outcomes are as follows:

- Enhanced awareness of the region's overall achievements in sustainable energy development, and what are the current challenges, needs and areas for improvement and assistance at national and regional levels.
- Debating on the effectiveness on the policies currently existing in the region, where is the biggest gap, what are "the best practices in policy making", what is the current institutional framework/arrangement for RE and EE development.
- Facilitating a dialogue on investment opportunities for RE and EE and how to improve the visibility of existing funds, and to creating innovative mechanisms and business models for achievement of NDCs.

8. Speakers

- Dr. Maged Mahmoud, Technical Director and Lead RE Advisor, RCREEE - Moderator

Presentations:

- Dr Roberta Boniotti, General Secretary, Mediterranean Association of the National Agencies for Energy Management (MEDENER)
- Eng. Akram Almohamdi, Sustainable Energy Expert, RCREEE
- Juliette Jestin, Chargée de mission PEEB | PEEB Programme Officer

Panelists:

- Dr. Kishan Khoday, UNDP Regional Hub for Arab States
- Dr. Rasmi Hamza, CEO, Jordan Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Fund (JREEEF)
- Dr. Ahmed Mohina, First Undersecretary, Ministry of Electricity and Renewable Energy, Egypt
- Dr. Abdessalem Rabhi, Programme Manager, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies (IGES)



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9. Language

- English

10. Focal points

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11. Registration of speakers and participants

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