

3rd Meeting of the MENA Hydrogen Alliance

Wednesday, 20th of May 2020
Online | Open Session | 10:00-12:00 CEST

Free to register but places are limited!



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Tarik Hamane, Head of Development Department, Masen, Morocco
Jorgo Chatzimarkakis, Secretary General, Hydrogen Europe
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The **MENA Hydrogen Alliance** was launched in 2020 to accelerate the development of value chains for green molecules in the region and brings together private and public sector actors and academia. Under the umbrella of **Desertec 3.0**, Dii Desert Energy acts as neutral advisor to elaborate business cases and to educate different stakeholders on all aspects of producing, transporting and using green hydrogen and other green molecules. This includes exporting green molecules to world markets, including Europe.

Following the first stakeholders' consultation at the World Future Energy Summit in Abu Dhabi in January, hosted by Masdar, and the official launch at InterSolar Middle East on 4th of March 2020, the 3rd meeting of the MENA Hydrogen Alliance will provide a review on recent activities, as well as a discussion on the alliance's work until the end of 2020. This particular edition will focus on connecting MENA to Europe by fostering a regional partnership between Europe, North Africa and the Middle East to accelerate the deployment of green hydrogen projects and local value chains.

AGENDA

10:00am – 10:15am

Welcoming by the Chairman, Frank Wouters

Review of Activities March-May 2020 by Senior Vice President, Cornelius Matthes

10:15am – 10:30am

Presentation of the « Green Hydrogen for a European Green Deal, A 2x40 GW Initiative »
Presented to EVP Timmermans on 6th of April 2020, in charge of Green Deal for EU Commission

- Ad van Wijk, Professor, **TU Delft, The Netherlands, Member of the Dii Adv. Board**
- Jorgo Chatzimarkakis, Secretary General, **Hydrogen Europe, Belgium**

10:30am – 11:00am

Keynote Addresses:

- ❖ Mohammed Ghazali, Secretary General, **Ministry of Energy, Mines and Environment, Morocco**
- ❖ Tarik Hamane, Head of Development Department, **Masen, Morocco**
- ❖ Roland Kaepfner, Executive Director Hydrogen, **NEOM, Saudi Arabia**
- ❖ Andrea Lovato, Vice President and Head of Renewable Development, **ACWA Power, Saudi Arabia**

11:00am – 11:30am

Panel Discussion: Joining forces to develop a green hydrogen economy

11:30am – 12:00am

Questions & Answers Followed by an Open Discussion
Upcoming focus and activities of the Hydrogen MENA Alliance