



Em(Powering Africa)

PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

SAIREC 2015 is an international conference dedicated exclusively to renewables. It is for government ministers, high-level decision makers, experts, specialists and thought leaders, as well as private sector players and civil society to discuss and exchange their vision, experiences, and solutions to accelerate the global scale-up of renewable energy.

SAIREC will provide a platform to address energy security and access. Under the **theme Em(Powering Africa)**, SAIREC will demonstrate why Africa is the business destination for the renewables energy sector.

SAIREC 2015 is **the place to discuss the renewables value chain** whether you are in business, government, a practitioner who works on improving access to clean, low carbon energy sources or someone who would like to learn more about renewable energy in general.

SAIREC 2015 also provides Africa with a unique opportunity to showcase its nascent yet promising renewable energy industry and gain experience from the best practices as adopted in countries at the forefront of renewable energy deployment.

Africa is ready to join those leading the way in the renewable energy arena be it in manufacturing, generation, distribution, or transmission sector.

Programme

Day 1 Sunday 4th October 2015 Side Events, Evening Reception and Opening Gala Dinner	
8:00 – 14:00	Registration
14:30 – 16:00	Side Event Sessions 1-4
16:00 – 17:30	Side Event Sessions 5-8
18:00 – 21:00	Reception and Gala Dinner

Day 2 Monday 5th October 2015 Opening Plenary, Keynote Address, Ministerial Panels, Parallel Session, Side Events	
7:00 – 8:45	Registration
9:00 – 9:10	Opening Ceremony Facilitator: IRENA DG
9:10 – 9:25	Welcome from the Host Minister Department of Energy
9:25 – 9:35	Address by IREC Chair REN21
9:35 – 9:50	Address by German Federal Minister
9:50 – 10:05	Address by AU (and introduction of South African President) AU Chairperson
10:05 – 10:30	Keynote Address President: Republic of South Africa
10:30 – 11:00	Tea Break and Media Briefing

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Ministerial and High-level Panels				
11:00 -12:00	Sustainable Energy for All: Renewable Energy, a tool for economic development and/or Poverty Alleviation Discussion Facilitator: SE4ALL Chief Exec			
12:00 – 13:00	Energy Transition with Renewables in Africa and Globally Facilitator: European Commission / AU Commission			
<p>The above panels will be composed of a mixture of Ministers, and high-level representatives from NGOs, business and intergovernmental organisations:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> AU Energy/Infrastructure Commission: Commissioner IRENA: Director General World Bank: President UNIDO / UNEP: Administrator/ Executive Director IEA: Executive Director 2x Ministers from Europe (slots for national government sponsors) 2x Ministers from Asia (China and India – former IREC hosts) 2x Ministers from Africa (South Africa/Kenya) 1x Minister from West Africa (doing a lot of work regionally on RE, EE, and SE4ALL) 2x Ministers from the Americas - large economy (e.g. USA, Brazil) 1x Minister from South America – small economy (Costa Rica, Nicaragua – high investment/GDP) 2x Business representatives (CEOs of companies or associations) 2x NGO representatives </p> <p>Note: Written questions will be taken from the plenary floor for both sessions.</p>				
13:00 – 14:30	Side Event Sessions 9-12 Lunch			
Afternoon Parallel Sessions				
14:30 – 16:00	Africa Continental Interconnectivity (including Africa Clean Energy Corridor)	Regulatory Frameworks	Socio-economic Development	Road to COP21: Renewables solution agenda
16:00- 16:30	Tea Break			

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16:30 – 18:00	Energy Access	Finance Mechanisms	Skills Development	Renewables in Support of Climate Adaptation
18:00-19:30	Side Event Sessions 13-16			
19.30 – 21.00	Conference reception			

Day 3 Tuesday 6th October 2015 Parallel Session and Side Events				
09:00 – 09:10	Recap of Day 2 Proceedings Facilitator: South Africa/REN21			
09:10 – 09:30	Keynote Speaker: The Role of Women in Promoting Renewable Energy Executive Director: UN Women			
Morning Parallel Sessions				
09:30 – 11:00	Renewable Energy in Smart Cities	Transport and Eco-mobility	Technology Innovations (WIND) Grid-based Featuring international best practice and innovation (across the value chain)	Technology Innovations (SOLAR – PV and CSP) Grid-based Featuring international best practice and innovation (across the value chain)
11:00- 11:30	Tea Break			

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11:30 – 13:00	Rural Electrification: Decentralised aspects	Integration of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency into High Temperature Applications	Technology Innovations (WIND) Hybrid Featuring international best practice and innovation (across the value chain)	Technology Innovations (SOLAR) Off-grid Featuring international best practice and innovation (across the value chain)
13:00 – 14:30	Side Event Sessions 17-20 Lunch			
Afternoon Parallel Sessions				
14:30 – 16:00	Energy Storage	Technology Innovations (GEOTHERMAL) Featuring international best practice and innovation (across the value chain)	Technology Innovations (HYDRO) Featuring international best practice and innovation (across the value chain)	Technology Innovations (BIOMASS) Featuring international best practice and innovation (across the value chain)
11:00- 11:30	Tea Break			
Closing Plenary				
16:30 – 17:30	Report Back: Key findings from parallel sessions			
17:30 – 18:00	Political Declaration or Plan of Action Closing Remarks			

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