

On the occasion of the fifth meeting of the IRENA Council, the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), in coordination with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates, and the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the 21st Century (REN21), organise a policy discussion on “**Status and Trends of Renewables: From the MENA Region to a Global Setting**” hosted by the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research (ECSSR) on **Sunday, 23 June, from 7:00-9:00pm**, at ECSSR’s Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan Hall.

During this event, the **MENA Renewables Status Report** will be presented by IRENA, REN21, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the UAE. REN21’s **Renewables 2013 Global Status Report** will also be launched.

Event Schedule:

7:00-7:05pm Introduction by Mr. Ahmad M. Al Astad, Director of the ECSSR Conferences Department

7:05-7:20pm Introduction and presentation by the Director-General of IRENA, Mr. Adnan Z. Amin

7:20-7:35pm Presentation by the Chair of REN21, Mr. Arthouros Zervos

7:35-7:45pm Presentation by the Director of the Directorate of Energy and Climate Change of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the UAE, Dr. Thani Al Zeyoudi

7:45-8:15pm Opportunity for the audience to ask questions

8:15-9:00pm Reception and refreshments

Simultaneous translation in both Arabic and English will be provided.

Transportation will be provided at the following times and locations:

From the IRENA Headquarters at 5:00pm and 5:30pm to the Sheraton Abu Dhabi Hotel/Resort

From the Sheraton Abu Dhabi Hotel and Resort and Abu Dhabi Sofitel at 6:30pm to ECSSR

From ECSSR to Sheraton Abu Dhabi Hotel and Resort and Abu Dhabi Sofitel at 9:00pm

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