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ABU DHABI SUSTAINABILITY WEEK



Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week (ADSW) is a global initiative championed by the UAE and its clean energy powerhouse Masdar to accelerate sustainable development and advance economic, social and environmental progress.

Established in 2008, ADSW brings together heads of state, policy makers, industry leaders, investors, entrepreneurs and youth – all of whom have a stake in the future of our planet – to discuss and engage on bold climate action and innovations that will ensure a more sustainable world for future generations.

ADSW features a series of globally-significant events, which includes the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) Assembly, Atlantic Council's Global Energy Forum, ADSW Summit, World Future Energy Summit, Green Hydrogen Summit, Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Forum, Youth 4 Sustainability Hub, the WiSER Annual Forum, Innovate, and the Zayed Sustainability Prize Awards.

United on Climate Action towards COP28

As the first global sustainability event of the year, ADSW 2023 will reinforce the UAE's unwavering commitment to addressing global challenges as a responsible energy leader and constructive global citizen, working in close partnership with the global community.

ADSW 2023, through its multi-stakeholder platforms, will empower its participants to develop practical strategies to achieve sustainable development in the critical areas of Energy and Climate Change, Water and Food, Mobility, Health, Tech for Good, and Digitalization.

The Week will also play a crucial role in ensuring momentum is maintained from COP27 to COP28 in the UAE. ADSW 2023 aims to facilitate impactful dialogue between all global stakeholders, translating pledges into practical outcomes and boosting climate ambition as we work collectively to implement the long-term objectives of the Paris Agreement.

HOST CITY



ADSW takes place in the emirate of Abu Dhabi, the capital of the United Arab Emirates. Abu Dhabi is one of the world's most rapidly developing cities, having experienced unprecedented transformation in the past few decades.

The emirate has become a cosmopolitan business and innovation hub, cultural and finance center, and world-class tourist destination. To plan your trip or to find out more about Abu Dhabi's cultural and entertainment attractions, check out www.visitabudhabi.ae.

Seat of Sustainability Action

As the UAE's capital, Abu Dhabi is where the country's federal mandates on sustainability are written into law.

Over the years, the UAE has actioned progressively ambitious plans for sustainable development and environmental preservation. These include Vision 2021, a roadmap for national development that includes targets for air quality, water security, waste management, and clean energy, and the UAE Green Growth Strategy, which aims to make the country a global leader in the 'green economy'. The UAE was also the first Gulf Cooperation Council member to ratify and sign the Paris Accord.

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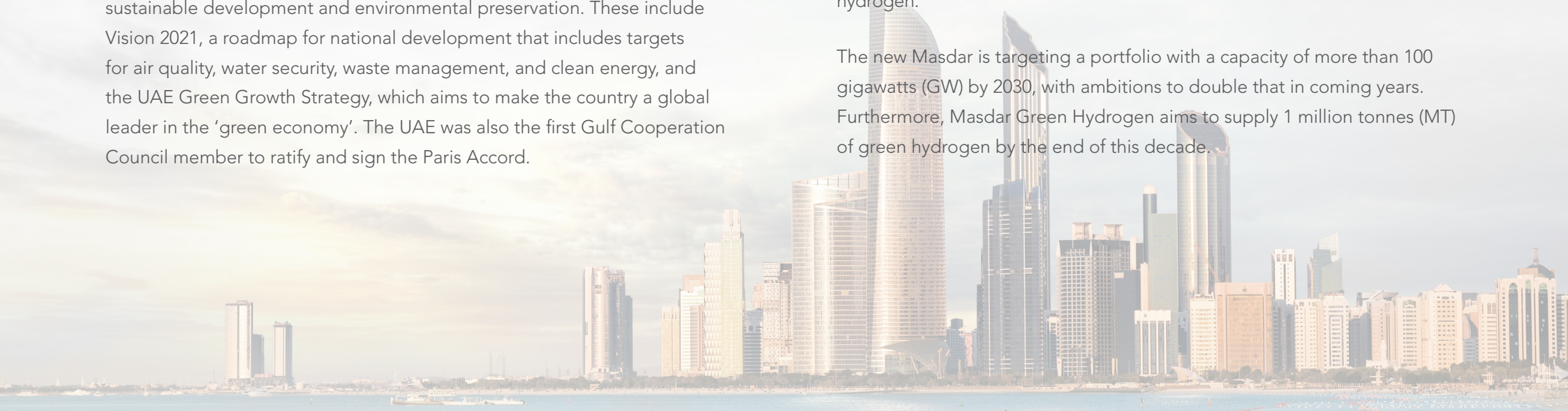


ADSW is hosted by Masdar – the Abu Dhabi Future Energy Company. Masdar has been a pioneer in advancing the clean energy transition and a key enabler of the UAE's sustainability and climate action objectives since it was established by the UAE leadership in 2006.

Masdar today is active in more than 40 countries, having invested in or committed to invest in projects with a total capacity of more than 15 gigawatts (GW) and a combined value of more than US\$20 billion. Together, these projects can displace up to 19.5 million tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions per year.

Masdar's new structure will see three Abu Dhabi champions – Abu Dhabi National Energy Company PJSC (TAQA), Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), and Mubadala Investment Company – spearhead the UAE's drive to net-zero carbon by 2050 while cementing its leading role in green hydrogen.

The new Masdar is targeting a portfolio with a capacity of more than 100 gigawatts (GW) by 2030, with ambitions to double that in coming years. Furthermore, Masdar Green Hydrogen aims to supply 1 million tonnes (MT) of green hydrogen by the end of this decade.



KEY EVENTS AT ADSW



International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) Assembly

14 - 15 January 2023



Innovate - A Masdar City Initiative

16 - 18 January 2023



Atlantic Council Global Energy Forum

14 - 15 January 2023



Youth 4 Sustainability Forum and Hub

16 - 18 January 2023



The ADSW Opening Ceremony and Zayed Sustainability Prize Awards Ceremony

16 January 2023



Women in Sustainability, Environment and Renewable Energy (WiSER) Forum

17 January 2023



ADSW Summit

16 - 17 January 2023



Green Hydrogen Summit

18 January 2023



WFES Exhibition and Forums

16 - 18 January 2023



Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Forum

19 January 2023



IRENA ASSEMBLY

Saturday 14 - Sunday 15 January

The IRENA Assembly is the supreme decision-making body of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA), with one representative from each of IRENA's 168 member states.

The thirteenth session of the Assembly brings together heads of state, ministers, government officials, and representatives from civil society, the private sector, and international organizations, to reaffirm the global renewable energy agenda and take concrete steps to accelerate the global energy transition.

IRENA, which is headquartered at Masdar City in Abu Dhabi, will use this key meeting to agree objectives, examine perceived barriers, and discuss the energy transition as an investment in our collective future.



ATLANTIC COUNCIL GLOBAL ENERGY FORUM

Saturday 14 - Sunday 15 January

The Atlantic Council Global Energy Forum brings the world's top energy and foreign policy decision-makers together each year to set the global energy agenda for the year ahead and examine the longer-term geopolitical and geoeconomic implications of the changing energy system.

Now in its seventh year, the Forum provides a platform to discuss geopolitical and market issues confronting the energy industry in the coming year, develop new partnerships, and demonstrate thought leadership on global energy trends.

The Atlantic Council is a nonpartisan organization that galvanizes US leadership and engagement in the world, in partnership with allies and partners, to shape solutions to global challenges.





OPENING CEREMONY

Monday 16 January

The official Opening Ceremony marks the kick-off for ADSW, bringing the world's sustainability community together and setting the agenda for the discussions and debate in the week to come.

This prestigious event is attended by 4,000 global delegates, from world leaders and senior policymakers to business leaders, scientists and academics.

The ceremony is held annually at Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre (ADNEC) alongside the Zayed Sustainability Prize Awards Ceremony.

Previous editions of the Opening Ceremony have been attended by multiple heads of state, including country presidents, and prime ministers.



ZAYED SUSTAINABILITY PRIZE AWARDS CEREMONY

Monday 16 January

Established in 2008, the Zayed Sustainability Prize is the UAE's pioneering global award in sustainability, and a tribute to the legacy of its founding father, the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, a champion of global sustainability and humanitarianism.

The US\$3 million Prize recognizes and rewards organizations that demonstrate impactful, innovative, and inspiring sustainability solutions in five categories: Health, Food, Energy, Water, and Global High Schools.

Small to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), non-profit organizations (NPOs), and global high schools compete for the Prize each year, with the 96 winners to date having transformed the lives of more than 370 million people, across 150 countries.





ADSW SUMMIT

Monday 16 - Tuesday 17 January

As the anchor event of ADSW, the ADSW Summit convenes world leaders from government, business and finance, helping to set the global agenda for addressing the world's most pressing sustainability challenges.

The ADSW Summit plays a vital role in ensuring momentum is maintained through to COP28, addressing crucial environmental challenges in a practical and action-driven manner. The Summit will prepare the ground for major resolutions and actions to be taken by the UAE and major international partners to deliver climate action.

The four major focus areas are: The global energy transition, Partnering for Action, People, Profit, Planet and Technology & Innovation.



WFES EXHIBITION AND FORUMS

Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 January

The World Future Energy Summit (WFES) is the leading international event accelerating sustainability and the global transition to clean energy.

WFES is an exhibition, technology showcase, investment incubator and business forum all rolled into one event. It brings together leaders, innovators, and global thinkers to share ideas that are creating the blueprints for a sustainable future.

Each year, around 34,000 international visitors and buyers from 125 countries attend WFES to network, unveil breakthrough technologies, experience live demos, learn the latest industry insights, develop new business partnerships, and source leading-edge products.





YOUTH 4 SUSTAINABILITY FORUM AND HUB

Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 January

Under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Khalid bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Youth 4 Sustainability (Y4S) is a global Masdar platform bringing together young professionals and university students, and combining training with real-world experience to create the next generation of sustainable ambassadors and future leaders.

The Y4S Forum and Hub at ADSW gathers leaders, experts, entrepreneurs, and youth from diverse backgrounds to discuss topics related to sustainability in the context of youth empowerment, with the interactive Hub attracting around 3,000 students throughout the week.

The 2023 edition will focus on "Promoting Youth Empowerment and Participation in Climate Action and Energy Transition".



iNNOVATE

Monday 16 - Wednesday 18 January

Innovate is a global Masdar City initiative that provides a platform for innovation-focused companies to showcase their technologies to international investors.

With a focus on urban mobility, clean energy, artificial intelligence and agritech and food security, Innovate provides cutting-edge companies with access to Abu Dhabi's dynamic technology ecosystem.

At ADSW's World Future Energy Summit, Innovate will exhibit groundbreaking technology from international startups and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Innovate will also host panel discussions at ADSW, where experts and innovators will debate sustainability issues.





WOMEN IN SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT AND RENEWABLE ENERGY FORUM

Tuesday 17 January

The Women in Sustainability, Environment and Renewable Energy (WiSER) Forum is the flagship event of the WiSER platform – Masdar’s strategic initiative to support and empower present and future generations of women sustainability leaders.

The annual Forum invites policymakers, industry leaders and other influential global figures to examine and discuss key sustainability issues, through the lens of gender equality.

As part of the outcomes of the Forum, a whitepaper is produced each year, taking a deep dive into an issue related to inclusion and diversity in sustainability.

WOMEN IN SUSTAINABILITY,
ENVIRONMENT AND
RENEWABLE ENERGY



GREEN HYDROGEN SUMMIT

Wednesday 18 January

ADSW’s inaugural Green Hydrogen Summit provides a platform for leading hydrogen players from the region and worldwide to meet and exchange views.

The Summit demonstrates Abu Dhabi’s efforts and achievements in harnessing the potential of green hydrogen, and highlights the latest industry trends in production, conversion, transportation, storage and use.

The one-day event is hosted by Masdar Green Hydrogen and will run as part of ADSW 2023, supported by a Hydrogen Hub at the World Future Energy Summit.





ABU DHABI SUSTAINABLE FINANCE FORUM

Thursday 19 January

The Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Forum (ADSFF) is focused on financing sustainable economic development and supporting the UAE's goal towards net zero emissions by 2050.

Now in its fifth edition, ADSFF is convening global institutional investors, heads of state, ministers of finance, regulators and financial institutions at ADSW 2023 to discuss how they can collaborate and increase the flow of capital towards sustainable investment.

ADSFF is a flagship initiative by Abu Dhabi Global Market (ADGM), Abu Dhabi's International Financial Centre.

ADSFF

KEY SPEAKERS AT PAST EDITIONS

Heads of State and Prime Ministers



HM King Charles III
United Kingdom



HRH King Willem-Alexander
Kingdom of the Netherlands



HE João Lourenço
President,
Republic of Angola



HE Iván Duque Márquez
President,
Republic of Colombia



HE Joko Widodo
President,
Republic of Indonesia



HE Paul Kagame
President,
Republic of Rwanda



HE Halimah Jacob
President,
Republic of Singapore



HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco
Prince of Monaco



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Hashemite Kingdom
of Jordan



HE Moon Jae-in
Former President,
Republic of Korea



HE Francois Hollande
Former President,
the French Republic



HE Enrique Pena Nieto
Former President,
United Mexican States



HE Frank Bainimarama
Prime Minister,
The Republic of Fiji



HE Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson
Former President, Iceland



HE Mark Rutte
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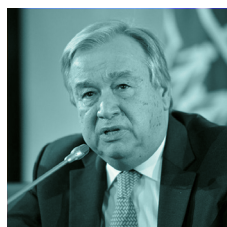
HE Sheikh Hasina
Prime Minister,
Republic of Bangladesh



HE Wen Jiabao
Former Premier of the State
Council of the People's
Republic of China

KEY SPEAKERS AT PAST EDITIONS

Global Decision Makers from Policy, Business and Industry



Antonio Guterres
Secretary-General of
the United Nations



**Dr Tedros Adhanom
Ghebreyesus**
Director-General
World Health Organization



**HRH Prince Abdulaziz
bin Salman bin
Abdulaziz al-Saud**
Minister of Energy, Kingdom
of Saudi Arabia



HE Sameh Shoukry
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
President-Designate
COP27, Egypt



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Minister of Industry and
Advanced Technology, UAE
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Mohammed Almheiri**
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and Environment, UAE



HE Grace Fu
Minister for Sustainability
and the Environment,
Republic of Singapore



HE Sarah Al Amiri
Minister of State for Public
Education and Advanced
Technology, UAE; Chairwoman,
UAE Space Agency and the
UAE Council of Scientists



John Kerry
Special Presidential Envoy
for Climate, United States



Dr Agnes Kalibata
Special Envoy of the UN
Secretary-General for the
2021 Food Systems Summit



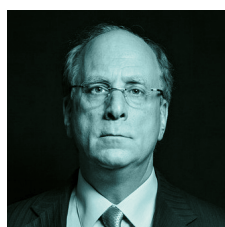
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Mission Blue and the Sylvia
Earle Alliance



Bernard Looney
Chief Executive Officer, bp



Dr Gayle Schueller
Vice President & Chief
Sustainability Officer, 3M

ADSW IN NUMBERS

11 major events and initiatives
take place during ADSW



60+ heads of state, members of royalty and
prime ministers have attended ADSW

30,000



attendees for ADSW 2022



600+ speakers participated in ADSW 2022



300+ exhibiting companies in 2022



500+

media
registrations
received each
year

4,000

global
delegates
expected to
attend the
Opening
Ceremony of
ADSW in 2023



150+

countries
represented
at ADSW

1,000

global delegates,
government ministers and policy
makers attend the IRENA Assembly
each year

370+ million

people around the world positively
impacted by the Zayed Sustainability Prize

46 public and private entities have signed the Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Declaration since 2019



US\$3 million
in total prize money for
Zayed Sustainability Prize



3,000+
students attend ADSW each year
to learn about sustainability



10,000+ participants from **110 countries**, watched ADSW 2022
through ADSW LIVE virtual streaming platform

The UAE was the **1st**
country in the region to
sign and ratify the Paris
Agreement

The UAE has launched its
Net Zero by 2050
initiative to drive net-zero
emissions, making the **Emirates**
the first MENA nation to do so



100 GW
capacity of clean energy projects that ADSW
host Masdar aims to deploy by 2030



Masdar is
active in **40+**
countries

US\$1.28 billion

invested by the Abu Dhabi
Fund for Development in global
renewable energy projects
across 65 countries



The UAE will host **COP28 in 2023** welcoming
global leaders from around the world

The UAE government aims to invest **AED600 billion by 2050** to meet the growing energy demand

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