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Sala Convegni "Gianfranco Imperatori", Piazza Venezia, 11

2.00 PM - 5.30 PM

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WEC MED Energy Transition Dialogue

Mediterranean Energy Perspectives

2.00 Registration

2.30 Opening and introduction

Lapo Pistelli - Chairman, OMEC

Marco Margheri - Chairman, World Energy Council Italy

2.45 Institutional remarks

Giorgio Silli - Undersecretary of State to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation*

3.00 Keynote speeches

Nicola Monti - Chief Executive Officer, Edison

Stefano Grassi – Head of Cabinet of the European Commissioner for Energy

Stefano Besseghini - Chairman, ARERA*

3.45 Setting the Scene

Alessandro Blasi - Senior Advisor to the IEA
Executive Director

Houda Ben Jannet Allal - Director General, OMEC

4.15 High level Dialogue

Representatives from MEDREG, Med-TSO, PAM, MEDENER, RCREEE, Mediterranean Energy Academy, East Mediterranean Gas Forum and Euro MED industry stakeholders

Moderator: Paolo D'Ermo - Secretary General, World Energy Council Italy

5.15 Closing Remarks

Willem van Ee - Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Italy*

Jeroen van Hoof - Chairman WEC Rotterdam 2024*

Barbara Terenghi - Co-Chair Programme Committee World Energy Council

As the current geopolitical crisis is affecting energy markets at the global level, the Euro-Mediterranean region finds itself once again at the centre of ongoing energy dynamics, pushing energy to the forefront of governments and industry agendas and highlighting the need for a concerted and effective response. Concurrently, as it also emerged from COP28, the global challenge of climate change remains yet unresolved.

Nevertheless, this crisis could also be an opportunity for our common space. A chance to use the current energy landscape to reaffirm the Mediterranean Region as the main bridge between Europe, Africa and Middle East, to make regional energy producers and their infrastructure central for the energy transition and pivotal to build the future energy landscape, thus collectively succeed the energy transition and climate issues.

In this context, WEC Italy (Italian National Committee of the World Energy Council) foster the international dialogue on Euro MED energy Transition, coordinating the WEC Med cross-regional collaboration initiative, developed in collaboration with OMEC (Organisation Méditerranéenne de l'Énergie et du Climat) and WEC General Secretariat, with Vice Chairs of Africa, Europe, the Gulf States and the Middle East which aims to strengthen regional dialogue and cooperation in the Mediterranean basin.

The main deliverable of the first year of work of the Initiative will be the "WEC MED Energy Transition Checklist", a map of the energy agenda of the Area which highlights the challenges facing the Region in the medium-long term; a document developed thanks to the contribution of WEC Mediterranean national Committees and main stakeholders active in the process, including OMEC, MEDREG, MEDTSO, WFP, industry sector, Universities and IFIs

Starting from main findings of the last edition of OMEC Mediterranean Energy Perspectives, the Conference will be an important occasion to deepen the most important issues related to energy transition and energy security, with institutional representatives, international organizations, and stakeholders of the national and international energy scene, addressing both challenges and opportunities in a context of great uncertainty, where the choices made today for the region will shape our common future and are crucial to help stirring away from unsustainable current trends.

*invited