



Media Advisory : “MENA Renewables: Mission Possible”

Several countries in the Middle East and North Africa are focused on solar power to meet rising electricity demand, cut unsustainable government subsidies, and reduce dependence on energy imports. Rapid growth in electricity demand and lagging supply have also resulted in power shortages. Despite recent successes, are MENA countries capitalizing on the full range of renewables? What needs to be done to accelerate investments in the renewable energy sector?

The media is invited to attend a panel discussion titled “MENA Renewables: Mission Possible” organized by IFC, a member of the World Bank Group, at COP22 that will tackle these questions and others about the future of energy in the region.

When: Monday, November 14, 2016 from 14:00-15:30

Where: “Bab Ighli,” Blue Zone

Who: Mr. Mouayed Makhoulf, Regional Director, MENA, IFC
Mr. Roberto de Diego Arozamena, CEO, Energy and Environmental Services
Mr. Daniel Calderon, CEO Alcazar Energy Partners
Mr. Chris Antonopoulos, CEO Lekela Power
Mr. Nadim Kassar, General Manager, Fransabank

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