

Press Release

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A big step towards the energy transition in the Mediterranean region

The President of the Mediterranean Association of the National Agencies for Energy Conservation (MEDENER) signed two Memorandums of Understanding with the Regional Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (RCREEE) and the Association for Renewable Energy Solutions for the Mediterranean (RES4MED) respectively on Tuesday 25th July 2017.

The ceremony of signature was held at the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and participated by stakeholders acting on energy cooperation in the Euro Mediterranean region.

The signature of both MoUs represents a relevant step forward in the activities of the Union for Mediterranean Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Platform (UfM REEE Platform), launched back-to-back to the United Nations Climate Change Conference COP22 in Marrakech in November 2016, with the aim to promote the progressive deployment of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures, in order to foster socio-economic development, contribute to ensure that all citizens and businesses of the region have access to secure, affordable and reliable modern energy services, as well as to support mitigation and adaptation to climate change in the Euro-Mediterranean region.

The signature of both MoUs represents the spirit of UfM REEE Platform, where different stakeholders work together in order to support the energy transition in the region, creating at the same time new jobs and contributing to reduce the immigration flow from Africa.



From the right: Ahmed Badr Executive Director RCREEE and Dario Chello President of Medener



From the right: Pierre El-Khoury Chairman of RCREEE Board of Trustees, Ahmed Badr Executive Director RCREEE, Dario Chello President of Medener, Roberto Vigotti Secretary General RES4MED, Valeria Termini Commissioner of Italian Regulatory Authority for Electricity Gas and Water

ENEA the Italian National Agency for New Technologies Energy and Sustainable Economic Development is among the founding members of MEDENER and chairs the Association for the years 2017/2018. MEDENER is an international no-profit organization created to bring together agencies in the Mediterranean region in charge of energy efficiency and promotion of renewable energy sources, two key conditions for the success of the energy transition in the Mediterranean region.

The Regional Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (RCREEE) is an intergovernmental organization that aims to enable and increase the adoption of renewable energy and energy efficiency practices in the Arab region. RCREEE teams with regional governments and global organizations to initiate and lead clean energy policy dialogues, strategies, technologies and capacity development in order to increase Arab states' share of tomorrow's energy.

The Association for Renewable Energy Solutions for the Mediterranean (RES4MED) is a no-profit Association established as a network of utilities, industries, agencies, technical service providers, research institutes and academia engaged in promoting clean energy solutions in the Southern and Eastern Mediterranean Countries. RES4MED's mission is to support the deployment of renewable energy - both large scale and distributed energy - and energy efficiency solutions and their integration in the local and regional markets to satisfy local energy needs.

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The Mediterranean association of national agencies for energy efficiency and renewable energies (MEDENER), is a key player in the energy transition in the Mediterranean region, participate to the implementation of public policies in these sectors at a national and regional scale. Founded in 1997, MEDENER is the only organization in the region which gathers 12 national agencies of energy efficiency from the North and South side of the Mediterranean and train thousands of experts in energy efficiency and renewable energies in the building, industry and transports sectors, and in the accompanying of awareness policy. MEDENER aims at promoting exchanges based on experiences and of good practises, brings its expertise to the ministries and institutional to create and implement public policies of energy control, finally contributes to identify and to organize projects by mobilising its public and private partners, including financial backers.

MEDENER contribute to the reinforcement of the Euro-Mediterranean dialogue on the energy transition, especially as part of the UpM's (Union for the Mediterranean) goals, and in particular through the animation of the energy efficiency and renewable energies platform. www.medener.org