ABU DHABI
SUSTAINABILITY WEEK

Accelerating Sustainable Development

16 - 23 January 2021

Hosted by
Masdar
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ABOUT ADSW

Since 2008, Abu Dhabi has provided a sustainability platform for the global community which has grown through its initiatives and events, to become a global catalyst for accelerating the world's sustainable development.

Today, Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week (ADSW) includes the IRENA Assembly, the Atlantic Council Global Energy Forum, The Future Sustainability Summit, the WFES Exhibition and Forums, Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Forum, and the Zayed Sustainability Prize Awards Ceremony. Through its initiatives and events, ADSW is committed to the sharing of knowledge, implementation of strategies and the delivery of real-world solutions that drive human progress.

Recognising the important roles community and women play in driving the sustainability agenda forward, ADSW also engages these stakeholders with dedicated platforms across the week through the Youth 4 Sustainability Hub, Women in Sustainability, Environment and Renewable Energy (WiSER) Forum, and The Festival at Masdar City.

ADSW 2020 IN NUMBERS

45,000
ATTENDEES

170
COUNTRIES

500+
SPEAKERS

5,000+
CONFERENCE DELEGATES

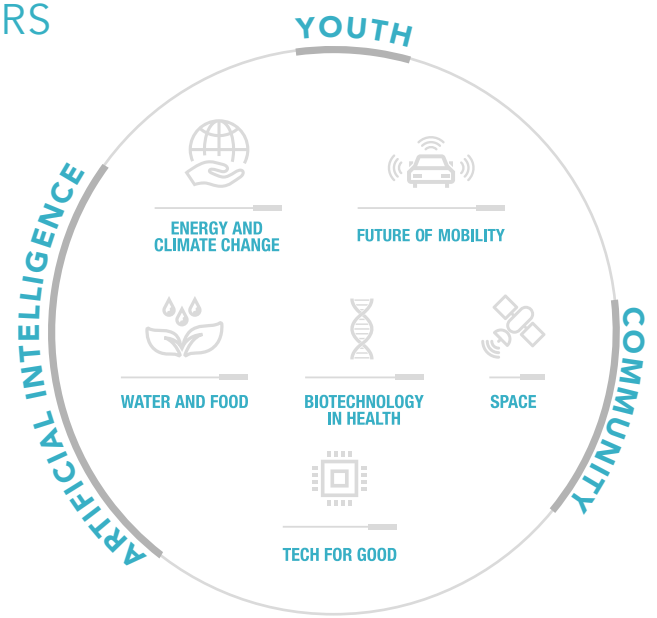
10
HEADS OF STATE

840
EXHIBITING COMPANIES

3,000
STUDENTS

160
MINISTERS AND AMBASSADORS

PILLARS



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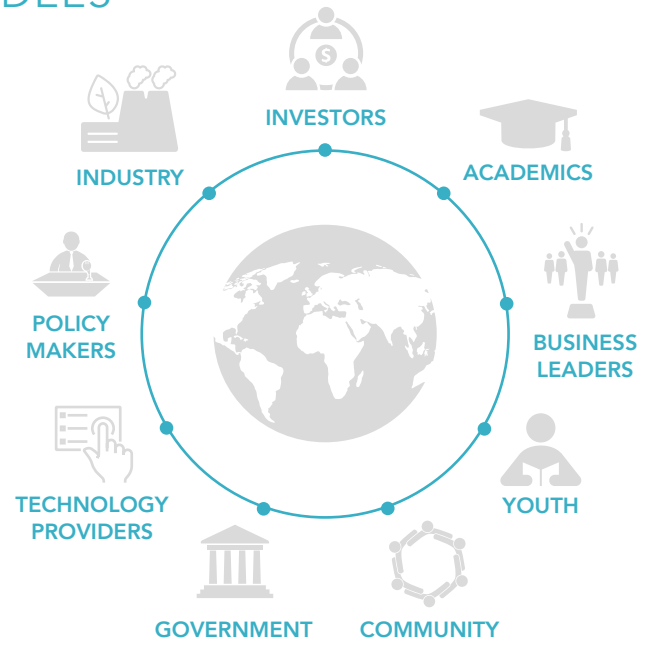


ADSW PREVIOUS SPEAKERS

HE Joko Widodo
President of the Republic of Indonesia

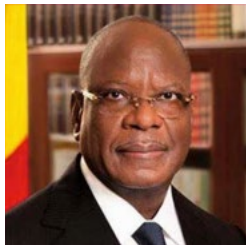
HE Sheikh Hasina
Prime Minister of the Republic of Bangladesh

HE Paul Kagame
President of the Republic of Rwanda

HRH Prince Abdulaziz bin Salman bin Abdulaziz al-Saud
Minister of Energy for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

HE Sheikh Nahyan Mabarak Al Nahyan
Cabinet Member and Minister of Tolerance

HE Khaldoon Al Mubarak
Group CEO & MD, Mubadala Investment Company



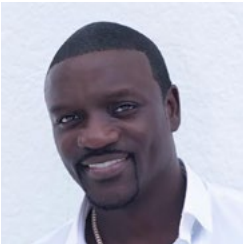
HE Ibrahim Boubacar Keïta
President, Republic of Mali

HE João Lourenço
President, Republic of Angola

HE Julius Maada Bio
President of Sierra Leone

HE Wilfred Arthur Abrahams
Minister of Energy and Water Resources, Barbados

HE Dr Thani Al Zeyoudi
Cabinet Member and Minister of Climate Change and Environment



Akon
Founder Akon Lighting Africa

HE Dr Armen Sarkissian
President of the Republic of Armenia

HE Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama
Prime Minister, the Republic of Fiji

HE Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson
Former President, Republic of Iceland

Joe Kaeser
President and CEO, Siemens AG

Tony Douglas
Group Chief Executive Officer, Etihad Aviation Group

Sandrine Dixson-Decleve
Co-President, Club of Rome

KEY EVENTS AT ADSW

International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) Assembly
16 - 17 January 2021
By Invitation Only

Youth 4 Sustainability Hub
18 - 20 January 2021

Atlantic Council Global Energy Forum
16 - 17 January 2021
By Invitation Only

Women in Sustainability, Environment and Renewable Energy (WiSER) Forum
19 January 2021
By Invitation Only

The ADSW Opening Ceremony and Zayed Sustainability Prize Awards Ceremony
18 January 2021

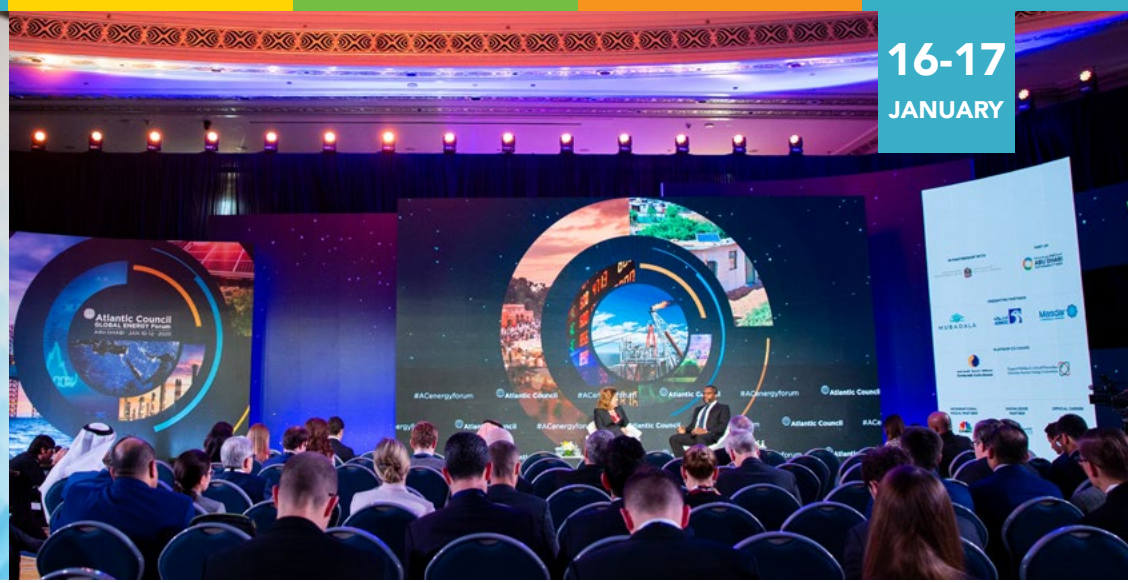
Future Sustainability Summit
19 January 2021
By Invitation Only

WFES Expos, Forums and Initiatives
18 - 20 January 2021

Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Forum
20 January 2021
By Invitation Only

Climate Innovation Exchange (CLIX), A WFES Initiative
18 - 20 January 2021

The Festival at Masdar City
21 - 23 January 2021



IRENA ASSEMBLY

The Assembly is the supreme decision-making body of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) and brings together heads of state, ministers, government officials and representatives from the private sector, civil society and other international organizations to reaffirm the global renewable energy agenda and make concrete steps to accelerate the global energy transition.

IRENA, which is headquartered in Abu Dhabi and has more than 170 member states, uses its decision-making authority to agree its objectives and discuss how renewable energy can alleviate climate change and increase sustainability.

IRENA
International Renewable Energy Agency

THE ATLANTIC COUNCIL GLOBAL ENERGY FORUM

The Atlantic Council Global Energy Forum is a two-day premier event that gathers international and regional political, industry and thought leaders to set the global energy agenda for the year and examine the longer-term geopolitical and geo-economic implications of the changing energy system.

The Forum is held in partnership with the Ministry of Energy & Industry of the United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi National Oil Company and Mubadala Investment Company.

Atlantic Council
GLOBAL ENERGY Forum

OPENING CEREMONY

The Opening Ceremony brings the world's sustainability community together and sets the agenda for the discussions and debate at Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week.

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 alongside the Zayed Sustainability Prize Awards Ceremony.

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ZAYED SUSTAINABILITY AWARD CEREMONY

Established in 2008, the Zayed Sustainability Prize is a tribute to the legacy of the founding father of the UAE, the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan; a pioneering champion of global sustainability and humanitarianism. The Prize recognizes and rewards organizations and high schools that can demonstrate impactful, innovative and inspiring sustainability solutions. The five award categories are: Health, Food, Energy, Water and Global High Schools.

Over the past 11 years, the Prize has directly and indirectly impacted over 318 million lives and, together with its 76 winners, driven the adoption of sustainable solutions and technologies for people across the globe. The annual awards ceremony is held each January during Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week.

ZAYED
SUSTAINABILITY
PRIZE

WFES EXHIBITION AND FORUMS

The World Future Energy Summit (WFES) is a global industry platform connecting business and innovation in energy, clean technology and efficiency for a sustainable future.

The WFES Expo brings together more than 840 international exhibitors from over 40 countries to showcase the latest solutions in clean energy, water, waste management, mobility and smart city infrastructure.

WFES also hosts a range of Industry Forums during the exhibition to catalyze dialogue around the key challenges and trends shaping the world's sustainable development.

WORLD **FUTURE**
ENERGY SUMMIT

YOUTH 4 SUSTAINABILITY HUB

Held under the patronage of HH Sheikh Khalid bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the Youth 4 Sustainability (Y4S) initiative provides opportunities that enable young people to become active leaders in the world's transition to a more sustainable future. It consists of two pillar programs: the Sustainability Ambassadors (SA) and the Future Sustainability Leaders (FSL). Mentorship, engagement opportunities and educational programs are developed for students and young professionals to strengthen the talent pipeline of the world's sustainability leaders.

At ADSW, Y4S is represented by an interactive hub that attracts around 3,000 students throughout the week.

YOUTH
4 SUSTAINABILITY

CLIMATE INNOVATION EXCHANGE (CLIX)

Climate Innovation Exchange (CLIX) is a unique marketplace connecting entrepreneurs and investors to enable partnerships that will power sustainable climate change solutions through knowledge, innovation, and funding.

CLIX is aligned with the Ministry of Climate Change and Environment's (MoCCE) strategy to enable the sourcing, funding and commercialisation of climate change solutions and technologies. Entrepreneurs from around the world will pitch innovations and transformative business models that are aligned with the MoCCE's three pillars of sustainability; Space, Future of Energy, and the Future of Food & Agriculture.

Since the first edition of CLIX in 2018, the 110 finalists have received commitments of more than $84 million USD of investment.

CLIX
CLIMATE INNOVATIONS EXCHANGE
A World Future Energy Summit Initiative

WOMEN IN SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (WISER)

WiSER is a Masdar-led impact focused initiative dedicated to inspiring women and girls to play an active role in addressing global sustainability challenges.

The platform is founded on the three core pillars of education, engagement and empowerment and strives to position women and girls of all nationalities as drivers of change and innovation, while ensuring that their voices are heard across the sustainability debate – whether on issues of policy, technology or business.

During ADSW, WiSER invite decision makers, experts, opinion formers and youth role models from across the sustainability sector to promote new thinking, viable solutions and lasting collaboration to empower present and future generations of female sustainability leaders.

WOMEN IN SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT AND RENEWABLE ENERGY FORUM
WISER

FUTURE SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT

The Future Sustainability Summit sets the stage for engaging, thought provoking discussions on the global sustainability agenda.

The Future Sustainability Summit brings together senior policymakers, CEOs, entrepreneurs, scientists, academics and innovators to examine their roles in a sustainable future.

Throughout the summit, delegates share their real-world experiences of how partnering with different industries is leading to the delivery and implementation of innovative solutions that are driving human progress.

The theme for the 2020 summit was Rethinking Global Consumption, Production and Investment. The Future Sustainability Summit is an exclusive, paid-for event available to ADSW delegates.

ABU DHABI SUSTAINABLE FINANCE FORUM

Hosted by Abu Dhabi Global Market, the Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Forum (ADSFF) provides a platform to promote sustainable finance and investments for fostering positive, economic, social and environmental impacts.

ADSFF attracts more than 200 global leaders and speakers and aims to encourage up-front dialogue among global industry leaders and decision-makers from the global sustainability and financial community.

Future Sustainability Summit

ABU DHABI SUSTAINABLE FINANCE FORUM

THE FESTIVAL AT MASDAR CITY

ADSW concludes its activities and events with The Festival at Masdar City. The event welcomes the local community to join a series of fun activities related to sustainability against the backdrop of one of the world's most sustainable cities.

The Festival aims to encourage UAE residents to live more sustainably and includes dedicated educational zones promoting sustainable living solutions and organic produce, a variety of workshops for children and adults, live entertainment and food stalls.

The Festival
at Masdar City

#WEARECOMMITTED

Launched by Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week and Masdar, the 'We Are Committed' campaign is a global call to action, providing everyone with a platform for sharing commitments to accelerate sustainable development.

The campaign has engaged stakeholders from around the world, ranging from government ministers and business leaders to NGOs and members of the local community and encouraged them to take action.

Join the campaign online by pledging your own sustainability commitments on the ADSW website and share them across social media using the #WeAreCommitted hashtag.

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