



# Accelerating Sustainable Development

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11 - 18 January 2020







## ABOUT ADSW

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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, WiSER Forum, and The Festival at Masdar City.



## UAE YEAR OF TOLERANCE

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The UAE government announced 2019 as the Year of Tolerance to highlight the UAE's tradition of inclusion, respect and its approach to be a bridge of communication between people of different cultures, while emphasising the acceptance of others.

ADSW offers an opportunity to promote the UAE's inherent values of tolerance, acceptance and understanding, while carrying forward Sheikh Zayed's rich legacy of inclusion.

By bringing together 38,000 people from 170 countries, representing a diversity of cultures and backgrounds, ADSW reinforces the UAE's position as a haven of tolerance and a young country that is a hub for opportunity, bold ideas and creativity.

## ADSW 2019 IN NUMBERS

38,000  
ATTENDEES



170  
COUNTRIES



13  
HEADS OF STATE



2,542  
NEWS ARTICLES



500+  
SPEAKERS



US\$11 Bn  
WORTH OF DEALS  
ANNOUNCED




4,000  
OPENING CEREMONY  
DELEGATES



5,000+  
CONFERENCE  
DELEGATES



40  
EXHIBITING  
COUNTRIES



500+  
MEDIA  
REGISTRATIONS



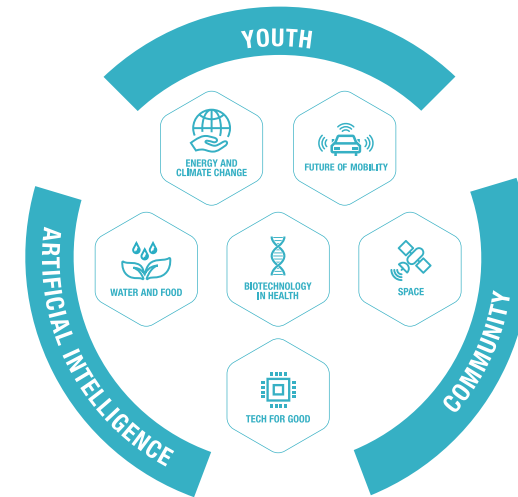
850  
EXHIBITING  
COMPANIES



1.8 Bn  
ESTIMATED  
GLOBAL REACH



## PILLARS



## ATTENDEES

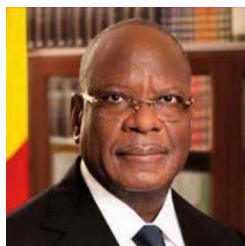




## ADSW PREVIOUS SPEAKERS



**HRH King Willem-Alexander**  
King of the Netherlands



**HE Ibrahim Boubacar Keïta**  
President, Republic of Mali



**HE João Lourenço**  
President, Republic of Angola



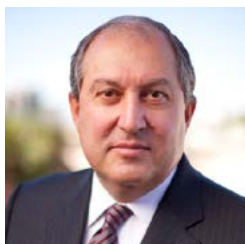
**HE Dr Ahmad Belhoul Al Falasi**  
Cabinet Member and Minister of State for Higher Education and Advanced Skills



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



**HE Sarah Al Amiri**  
Minister of State for Advanced Sciences



**HE Armen Sarkissian**  
President of Armenia



**HRH Charles**  
Prince of Wales



**HRH Crown Princess Victoria**  
of Sweden



**HE Mariam Al Mheiri**  
Minister of State for Food Security



**HE Eng Awaidha Murshed Al Marar**  
Chairman, Department of Energy



**HE Ban Ki-moon**  
Former Secretary-General, United Nations



**HM Queen Rania Al Abdullah**  
Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan



**HRH Prince Khaled bin Alwaleed bin Talal**  
Chairman, KBW Ventures



**HE Khalid A. Al-Falih**  
Former Minister of Energy, Industry and Mineral Resources of Saudi Arabia and Chairman of Saudi Aramco



**HE Deemah Al Yahya,**  
Former Advisor and CEO, MiSK Innovation



**Bibop Gresta**  
Chairman and Co-Founder, Hyperloop Transportation Technologies



**Marianne Laigneau**  
Group Senior Executive Vice President, International Division, EDF Energy

## KEY EVENTS AT ADSW



International Renewable Energy Agency  
(IRENA) Assembly  
**11 – 12 January 2020**

**By Invitation Only**



Atlantic Council Global Energy Forum  
**11 – 12 January 2020**

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The ADSW Opening Ceremony and Zayed  
Sustainability Prize Awards Ceremony  
**13 January 2020**



WFES Expos, Forums and Initiatives  
**13 – 16 January 2020**



Climate Innovation Exchange (CLIX),  
A WFES Initiative  
**13 – 16 January 2020**



Youth 4 Sustainability Hub  
**13 – 16 January 2020**



Future Skills 2030  
**13 – 16 January 2020**



WOMEN IN SUSTAINABILITY,  
ENVIRONMENT AND RENEWABLE  
ENERGY FORUM

Women in Sustainability, Environment and  
Renewable Energy (WiSER) Forum  
**14 January 2020**

**By Invitation Only**

Future Sustainability Summit

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**14 – 15 January 2020**

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Abu Dhabi Sustainable Finance Forum  
**15 January 2020**

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The Festival at Masdar City  
**16 – 18 January 2020**

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## 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.



## 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 (ADNOC) and Mubadala Investment Company.





## 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 (ADNEC) alongside the Zayed Sustainability Prize Awards Ceremony.



## THE ZAYED SUSTAINABILITY PRIZE AWARDS 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.

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## WFES EXHIBITION AND FORUMS

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 850 international exhibitors from over 40 countries to showcase the latest solutions in clean energy, water, waste management and mobility.

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.

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## YOUTH 4 SUSTAINABILITY

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. The Y4S Hub also includes the Climate Innovation Exchange (CLIX), a unique marketplace connecting entrepreneurs and investors to enable partnerships that power sustainable climate change solutions through knowledge, innovation and funding.





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## WOMEN IN SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (WiSER)

Officially launched at the 70th United Nations General Assembly in New York, WiSER is an action-oriented initiative that 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.

The year-long platform is founded on the three core pillars of education, engagement and empowerment. At its heart, WiSER aspires to empower women with real-world experience to succeed in all sectors of the sustainability industry and to become sustainability leaders.

WiSER holds its annual Forum at ADSW, where influential women from around the world are invited to share their experience and expertise in pursuing a career in the sustainability industry.

## Future Sustainability Summit

## FUTURE SUSTAINABILITY SUMMIT

As the anchor event of ADSW, the Future Sustainability Summit sets the stage for engaging, thought provoking discussions on the global sustainability agenda and how advancements in artificial intelligence, big data and the Internet of Things (IoT) can accelerate sustainable development.

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 Future Sustainability Summit is an exclusive, paid-for event available to ADSW delegates.



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## ABU DHABI SUSTAINABLE FINANCE FORUM

16 January 2019

ABU DHABI SUSTAINABLE FINANCE DECLARATION



### ABU DHABI SUSTAINABLE FINANCE FORUM

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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.

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## 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.



## #WeAreCommitted

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The #WeAreCommitted campaign is a global call to action which is bringing together government ministers, business leaders and members of the community by providing them with a platform to share commitments to sustainability.

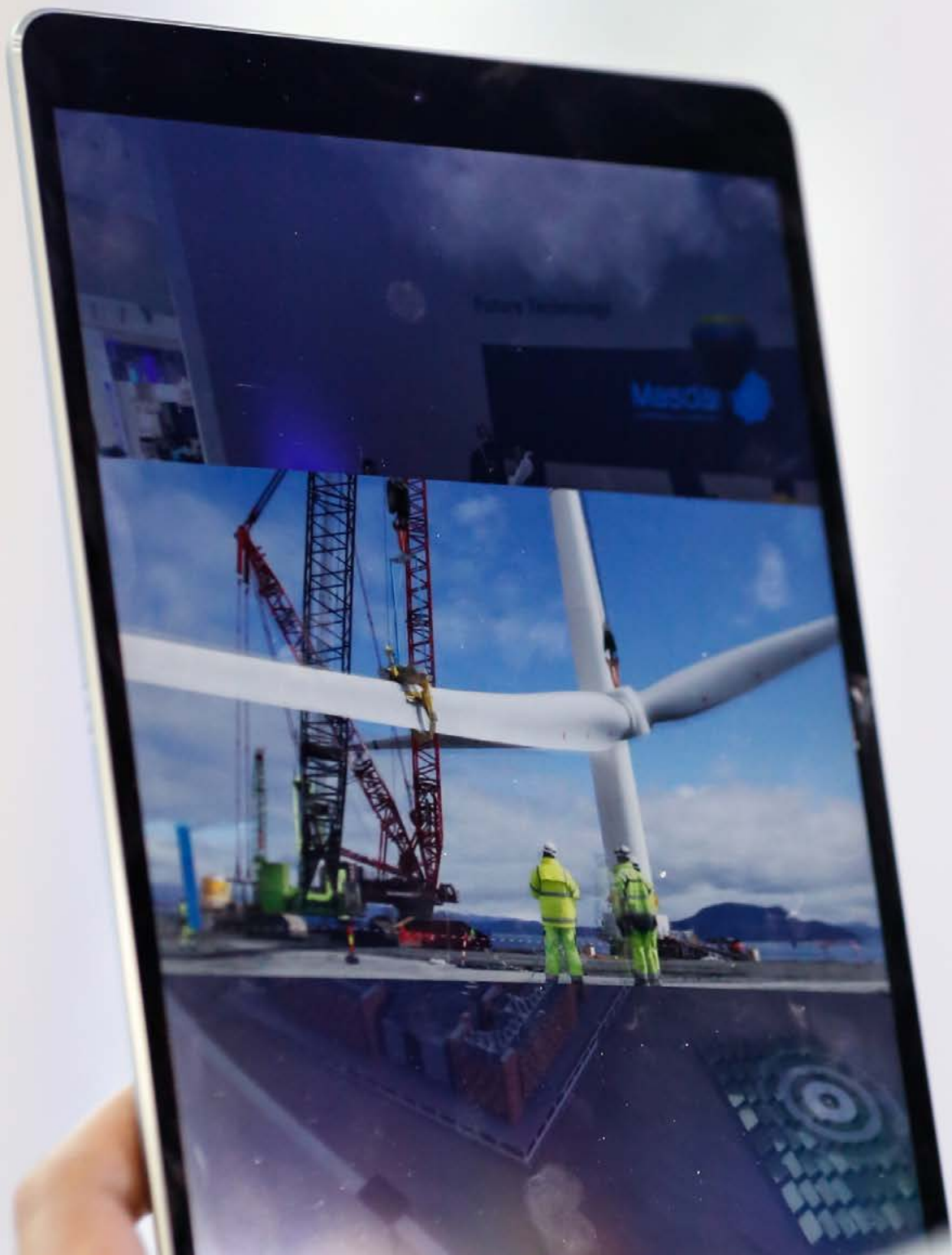
### How you can be involved in #WeAreCommitted

Record and post a short video of yourself saying “**We Are Committed**” and include the sustainability action you are committing to e.g. “We Are Committed to Saving Water”.

Alternatively, post an image or photo sharing your commitment to sustainability.

Make sure to use the **#ADSW** and **#WeAreCommitted** hashtags in your post.







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