



# MEXIREC

## Side Events Supported by the German Government

The *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)* would like to invite you to the following side events that will be held during the International Renewable Energy Conference (MEXIREC) in Mexico from 11-13 September 2017. MEXIREC is jointly organized by the government of Mexico and the Renewable Energy Policy Network for the 21st Century (REN21), within the framework of the Strategic Dialogues on the Future of Energy (DEMEX).

All side events will be held on 11th September 2017 between 13:00 and 18:30 at Expo Santa Fe, CDMX.

Registration is free of charge but compulsory.

To register, please follow the link: <https://mexirec.tecnoregistro.com.mx/#/>

TIME	SIDE EVENTS
13:00 - 14:30	<p><b>Facilitating the Purchase of Renewable Energy for Corporate Clients * (Room Zapoteca)</b></p> <p>More and more companies are making commitments to power their operations with renewable energy. Although the potential contribution of companies to renewable energy and climate goals is very large, there are still regulatory and awareness barriers to their growth and a need for new business and financing models. The panel - composed of national and international experts and practitioners – will explore the opportunities and challenges for Mexican and international companies to increase their purchase of and investment in renewable energy.</p>
15:00 - 16:30	<p><b>Biogas as a Renewable Energy Source: Facing Market and Policy Challenges * (Room Tarasca)</b></p> <p>Biogas is one of the fastest growing renewable energy sources in the world. However, current market and policy challenges, are taking influence in its performance. Technology development and finance combined with adequate and focused policy instruments may show results. The event promotes the exchange of different points of view about the actual challenges of the biogas market and fosters the discussion between stakeholders.</p>
15:00 - 16:30	<p><b>Market and Regulatory Framework from the Investor's Perspective: Financing Large Scale Renewable Energy in Mexico - Challenges, Risks and Mitigation Instruments * (Room Olmeca)</b></p> <p>The panel of the event will present and debate the framework conditions and evolving business and financial models for large scale renewable energy in Mexico from the investor's perspective. Drawing from practical experiences in financing renewable energy in Mexico, future policy and financial instruments to mitigate investment risks and scale up market development will be discussed. The panel will be composed of representatives from SENER, IRENA, Bancomext, Zuma Energia and Banco Santander.</p>
15:00 - 16:30	<p><b>Low-Emission Investments in the Energy Sector: Strategies for Reaching the Nationally Determined Contributions * (Room Zapoteca)</b></p> <p>How can the transformation of the energy sector be facilitated and financed and how can global efforts toward a low-carbon economy be strengthened? This side event aims at discussing strategies for integrating energy and climate policies in a more coherent manner in order to allow for this transformation, bringing together actors from both energy and climate communities. Building upon the main conference programme, it will analyze mitigation opportunities in the energy sector in more detail and illustrate these with the experiences of a number of countries.</p>
17:00 - 18:30	<p><b>Efficient Cogeneration as an Energy Saving Measure * (Room Tarasca)</b></p> <p>Cogeneration is a highly efficient form of energy conversion and it can achieve primary energy savings by the simultaneous production of electricity and heat. Under the current legislation, efficient cogeneration is considered a clean energy, so this side event has the objective of showing successful efficient cogeneration projects implemented, presenting their benefits in energy savings, GHG emission reductions and open the dialogue and discussion about the role of energy efficiency within the energy transition.</p>
17:00 - 18:30	<p><b>Promoting Women to Advance the Global Energy Transition (Room Azteca)</b></p> <p>This event will present and discuss the gender imbalance in the energy sector, emphasizing the importance of women's equal participation in the energy transition as a key factor to reach sustainable development. The Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Women's Network (REDMERE), an initiative supported by GIZ in partnership with the Global Women's Network for the Energy Transition (GWNEN), organizes this event, which main objective is to identify factors to foster gender equality in the energy sector at all levels.</p>
17:00 - 18:30	<p><b>Advancing the Energy Transition: Germany and Mexico Changing their Power Pattern - The Economics, Challenges and Opportunities of Renewable Electricity (Room Huichol)</b></p> <p>With the participation of the German State Secretary for Energy (BMWi) and the Mexican Undersecretary for Electricity (SENER), this event will focus on Germany's Energiewende and Mexico's Energy Reform. It will put an emphasis on the economic rationale, technical challenges and general opportunities for increasing the share of renewables in the power sector. It will provide insights into the latest power auctions in Germany and Mexico among other issues.</p>

\*Simultaneous English-Spanish translation will be offered

