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Invitation: Pan-American Webinar on Advancing the Low Carbon Economy through Hydrogen Technologies

Dear Sir / Madame,

Environment and Climate Change Canada, the Ministry of Environment and Energy of the Government of the Republic of Costa Rica and the Ministry of Environment of the Government of the Republic of Chile, are pleased to invite you to the "Pan-American Webinar on Advancing the Low Carbon Economy through Hydrogen Technologies".

The aforementioned webinar will be held virtually through the Zoom platform, on **March 25, 2021**, at the time indicated below for each country:

- 9:00 to 12:15 (San José, Costa Rica)
- 10:00 to 13:15 (Lima, Peru)
- 11:00 to 14:15 (Ottawa, Canada)
- 12:00 to 15:15 (Santiago, Chile/Brasilia, Brasil/Montevideo, Uruguay)

On this occasion, we will count on experts in the field of hydrogen technologies, and they will present on their experiences in the area, as well as the technologies being developed and in use, in Canada, Chile and Costa Rica. This will meeting be recorded and published on various platforms after the event.

Please find attached for your valuable attention, the program for the meeting. Your participation and contributions are very important for the development of this meeting. **Your participation and contributions are very important for the development of the seminar.**

Please confirm your participation to Ms. Alejandra Alzate (alejandra.alzate@canada.ca) and to Ms. Daniela Flores (dflores@sepse.go.cr), by no later than March 19, 2021.

Please include in your confirmation email the subject line, "Confirmation - March 25", your full name, title, institution and country you represent. The zoom link will be sent once your participation is confirmed.



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Pan-American Webinar on Advancing the Low-Carbon Economy through Hydrogen Technologies

Organized by:

Environment and Climate Change Canada
Ministry of the Environment of Chile
Ministry of Environment and Energy of Costa Rica

Online event

*~ Simultaneous interpretation will be available in: English, Spanish and French ~
~ Zoom Link will be sent upon registration ~*

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Description of Event

Momentum on low-carbon economy through hydrogen is growing globally. Many countries in Latin America see hydrogen as a key component to moving towards a low-carbon and zero emission economy.

This hemispheric knowledge-sharing webinar will focus on advancing the low-carbon economy through hydrogen technologies.

This webinar seeks:

1. To build momentum toward establishing and scaling up hydrogen as a reliable, cost effective and environmentally conscious energy source in the hemisphere;
2. To provide an opportunity for countries in the Americas to present their national policies and strategies with respect to hydrogen and share information, including best practices and lessons learned; and,
3. To connect businesses working in the area of hydrogen in the Americas together and create market opportunities.



PROGRAM

9:00-9:15 (Costa Rica) OPENING REMARKS
11:00-11:15 (EST)
12:00-12:15 (Chile)

Moderator: Mr. Agustí Bordas-i-Cuscó, Manager of Pan-American Affairs, Environment and Climate Change Canada

- Her Excellency, Patricia Fuller, Climate Change Ambassador for Canada
- Her Excellency, Carolina Schmidt, Minister of the Environment of Chile
- Her Excellency, Andrea Meza, Minister of the Environment and Energy of Costa Rica

9:15-10:30 (Costa Rica) SESSION 1: Policy Frameworks and Best Practices
11:15-12:30 (EST) that Propel Hydrogen Deployment and Adoption
12:15-13:30 (Chile)

9:15 (Costa Rica) - 11:15 (EST) - 12:15 (Chile): Overview of Hydrogen Policy in the Region

- Mr. Joerg Husar, Programme Manager (Latin America and Caribbean), International Energy Agency

9:25 (Costa Rica) - 11:25 (EST) - 12:25 (Chile): Hydrogen Policy in Canada

- Mr. Aaron Hoskins, Senior Manager, Intergovernmental Initiatives and Special Projects, Natural Resources Canada

9:35 (Costa Rica) - 11:35 (EST) - 12:35 (Chile): Hydrogen Policy in Chile

- Mr. Max Correa, Head of Hydrocarbons and New Energies Division, Ministry of Energy of Chile

9:45 (Costa Rica) - 11:45 (EST) - 12:45 (Chile): Hydrogen Policy in Costa Rica

- Mr. Rolando Castro Córdoba, Vice-Minister of Energy, Ministry of Environment and Energy of Costa Rica

9:55 (Costa Rica) - 11:55 (EST) - 12:55 (Chile): Q&A with Hydrogen Policy Experts

Moderator: Ms. Carolina Urmeneta, Head of the Climate Change Office, Ministry of the Environment of Chile



10:30-10:40 (Costa Rica)

12:30-12:40 (EST)

13:30-13:40 (Chile)

BREAK (10 Minutes)

10:40-12:00 (Costa Rica)

12:40-14:00 (EST)

13:40-15:00 (Chile)

SESSION 2: Hydrogen Innovation and Market Opportunities

Moderator: Mr. Agustí Bordas-i-Cuscó, Manager of Pan-American Affairs, Environment and Climate Change Canada

10:40 (Costa Rica) - 12:40 (EST) - 13:40 (Chile): Overview of the Market Opportunities in the Americas in the Area of Hydrogen

- Ms. Ana Angel, Manager of Latin America, HINICIO
- Mr. Christian Gischler, Lead Energy Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank

10:50 (Costa Rica) - 12:50 (EST) - 13:50 (Chile): Experiences from the Americas: Hydrogen Business Leaders Addressing Emerging Needs with New Technologies

- Dr. Franklin Chang, CEO, Ad Astra Rocket Company, Costa Rica
- Mr. Mark Kirby, President and CEO, Canadian Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Association
- Ms. María Paz de la Cruz, CEO, Chilean Association of Hydrogen, H2 Chile

11:20 (Costa Rica) - 13:20 (EST) - 14:20 (Chile): Q&A with Market Experts and Hydrogen Business Leaders

Moderator: Mr. Walter Merida, Associate Dean of Research and Industrial Partnerships in the Faculty of Applied Science, and Senior Advisor to the President and Vice-Chancellor, University of British Columbia, Canada

12:00-12:15 (Costa Rica)

14:00-14:15 (EST)

15:00-15:15 (Chile)

CLOSING REMARKS

12:00 (Costa Rica) - 14:00 (Canada) - 15:00 (Chile):

- Mr. Agustí Bordas-i-Cuscó, Manager of Pan-American Affairs, Environment and Climate Change Canada
- Ms. Javiera Aldunate, Head of International Affairs, Ministry of Energy of Chile
- Mr. Rolando Castro Córdoba, Vice-Minister of Energy, Ministry of Environment and Energy of Costa Rica