

#PRES2024 - APREN Conference brings together leaders of the renewable energy sector in Lisbon



The main conference dedicated to renewable energy will take place between November 4 and 5, in Lisbon.

- *The event will focus on topics such as the European electricity market and the development of offshore and onshore wind energy;*
- *The Minister of Environment and Climate Action, Maria da Graça Carvalho, and Director-General of DGEG, Paulo Carmona, among the confirmed speakers.*

Lisbon, 19th September de 2024 – APREN – The Portuguese Renewable Energy Association promotes another edition of the **Portugal Renewable Energy Summit**, which will take place on **November 4th and 5th, 2024**, at the Grand Auditorium of Culturgest, in Lisbon. This event, which has already established itself as the largest national meeting dedicated to the renewable sector in Portugal, will bring together the main public, governmental and private entities in the energy sector - both national and international, to discuss the present and future of energy, electricity and renewables.

At a time when there are six years left to meet the goals set at European and local level for 2030, the event will focus on the most relevant and current issues of the energy transition in Portugal and Europe. Topics such as the **design of the European electricity market**, the new goals of the **Renewable Energy Directive III (REDIII)**, the **grid action plan** and the challenges and opportunities for energy development in **offshore** and **onshore wind**.

Among the speakers confirmed for this edition of the conference, the following stand out:

- **Andris Piebalgs** – Professor and Former European Commissioner for Energy
- **Ben Backwell** – CEO, **GWEC (Global Wind Energy Council)**
- **Eduardo Teixeira** – Director of Markets and Consumers, **ERSE**
- **Giles Dickson** – CEO, **WindEurope**
- **José Carlos Simão** – Managing Director, **DGRM (Directorate-General for Natural Resources, Safety and Maritime Services)**
- **João Conceição** – COO, **REN**
- **José Ferrari Careto** – Chairman of the Board of Directors, **E-Redes**



- **Jorge Vasconcelos** – President, **NEWES**
- **José Donoso** – CEO, **UNEF (Unión Española Fotovoltaica)**
- **Leonardo Meeus** – Director, **FSR (Florence School of Regulation)**
- **Maria da Graça Carvalho** – Minister of Environment and Climate Action
- **Nelson Lage** – President, **ADENE**
- **Patrick Clerens** – Secretary-General, **EASE (European Association for the Storage of Energy)**
- **Paulo Carmona** – Diretor-Geral, **DGEG (Directorate-General for Energy and Geology)**
- **Ricardo Lucas Nunes** – Chief Strategy Officer, **OMIP**
- **Walburga Hemetsberger** – CEO, **SolarPower Europe**

Program Highlights

The **Portugal Renewable Energy Summit** starts on **4th of November**, with the opening session at 09:15. On this first day, the debates will focus on the **design of the European electricity market**, in the implementation of the **Renewable Energy Directive III (REDIII)**, into the **EU Grid Action Plan**, on the goals of **NECP (National Energy and Climate Plan)** and in the discussion about the **taxation of the energy sector**.

On the second day, **5th of November**, The focus during the morning will be on **offshore and onshore wind energy**. During the afternoon, topics such as the **Institutional model of permitting entities** and **major European and national challenges for renewables**, will be under debate.

The closing session will be conducted by the **Minister of Environment and Climate Action, Maria da Graça Carvalho**.

Registration and Program

The registration is available [here](#). More information about the full program can be found at [conference site](#).

About APREN:



The Portuguese Renewable Energy Association (APREN) is a non-profit association founded in October 1988. Its mission is to coordinate and represent the common interests of its members, promoting renewables energies in the electricity field. APREN works together with official bodies and other similar entities, at national and international level, constituting an instrument of participation in energy and environmental policies through the use and valorization of natural resources for electricity production, namely in the fields of hydro, wind, solar, geothermal, biomass, biogas and urban solid waste.