

## **APREN brings together three ministers and several experts to debate oceanic renewables**

*Oceanic Renewables Summit takes place on May 24 at the Museu do Oriente, in Lisbon. Under debate will be the future of offshore renewables in Portugal, with the help of several national and international experts.*

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[APREN – The Portuguese Renewable Energy Association](#) will debate the potential of oceanic renewables in the first event entirely dedicated to the theme. The Oceanic Renewables Summit is scheduled for May 24, at the Museu do Oriente, in Lisbon, and will include interventions from the Minister for the Environment and Climate Action, the Minister for Infrastructure and the Minister for Economy and the Maritime Affairs.

The intervention of the Minister of Economy and Sea, António Costa Silva, will focus on the theme of “Floating offshore wind power” as a “leverage for the Portuguese economy”. The Minister of Environment and Climate Action, Duarte Cordeiro, will focus on the “Target of 10 GW of Offshore Wind and Portuguese legislation”. The “Adaptation of the Portuguese Port Sector and the development of a value chain in Portugal” will be the angle to be explored by the Minister of Infrastructure, João Galamba.

“At this event we want to address the strategic potential of this emerging cluster, which constitutes an opportunity for social and economic development, involving the main specialists in the sector and the entities involved in the process”, underlines the CEO of APREN, Pedro Amaral Jorge.

The event will also feature the participation of the following speakers, among others:

- João Bernardo (Director-General of DGEG – Directorate-General for Energy and Geology);
- João Carlos Simão (Director General of DGRM – Directorate General for Natural Resources, Safety and Maritime Resources);
- Alessandro Boschi (Head of Renewables at the European Investment Bank)
- Eduardo Feio (Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Port of Aveiro and the Port of Figueira da Foz)
- Juan Diego Pérez Freire (Managing Director of the Port of A Coruña);
- Pedro Verdelho (Chairman of the Board of Directors of ERSE)
- Giles Dickson (CEO of WindEurope);
- Juan Virgilio Márquez (Director General of AEE – Spanish Wind Association);
- João Manso Neto (CEO of Greenvolt);
- João Conceição (COO of REN);
- Prof. João Peças Lopes (FEUP / INESC TEC).

The conference will also include the participation of national and international experts from companies such as Smartenergy, Greenvolt, Ocean Winds, Copenhagen Offshore Partners, Ørsted, Iberdrola, TotalEnergies, Repsol, Vestas, Principle Power, among others.

The topics under analysis at the conference intend to cover all topics associated with the development of oceanic renewables in Portugal in dynamic debate panels:

- European Strategies for Ocean Renewables;
- Ocean Renewables – The Portuguese report;
- The target of 10 GW of Offshore Wind and the Portuguese legislation;
- Models for the Design, financing, construction, operation and maintenance of the offshore network;
- Adaptation of the Portuguese Port Sector and the development of a value chain in Portugal;
- Floating offshore wind, a lever for the Portuguese economy;
- Relevant and possible financing structures for offshore wind projects.

Portugal's goal is to reach 10 GW of offshore wind by 2030, an objective set by the Prime Minister, António Costa. The first offshore wind auction should be launched later this year, as announced by the Portuguese Government.

APREN, the most relevant association in the sector in Portugal, is one of the main entities involved in the process. APREN participates in the working group created by the Government for the planning and operation of electricity production centers based on oceanic renewable energy sources. It also integrates the three subgroups responsible for producing recommendations related to the established objectives.

APREN already organizes the most important event dedicated to renewable energy – the Portugal Renewable Energy Summit. The next edition of the annual event is scheduled for November 29 and 30, 2023.

**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 closely with the government and other official entities, both on a national and international levels. It participates actively in the definition of energy and environmental policies, valuing natural resources for electricity production, namely hydric, wind, solar, geothermal, biomass, biogas, and urban solid waste.