KSA's Progress Towards The Energy Transition and The Global Challenges Ahead

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Saudi Arabia's energy transition has been proactive, holistic and inclusive since 2019



Saudi Arabia started its energy transition willingly and voluntarily many years ago



We are undertaking a holistic and inclusive energy transition, investing in all solutions



In 2019, we adopted the Circular Carbon Economy approach



Then, we launched the Saudi Green Initiative and the Middle East Green Initiative in 2021





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Saudi Green Initiative 2023

OVISION Preeminence in the global energy sector towards an innovative and sustainable future



MISSION
To lead the energy sector through the development of robust policies, efficient programs, and achievable plans in the pursuit of sustainable growth, energy endowment, value maximization and leadership in new energy vectors towards the preservation of wealth for future generations



Saudi Arabia adopted an integrated approach to navigate the energy sector's complexities



KSA adopted the Circular Carbon Economy as a wholistic and pragmatic pathway to net zero

Reduce	Reuse	Recycle	Remove
Liquid Displacement Renewable Energy production & export Combined-cycle gas plant with carbon capture readiness Energy Efficiency Program Clean and green hydrogen production & export	Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR) CO2 for food and beverages	 Carbon Capture & Utilization Glycol and Urea Synthetic Aviation Fuel Green methanol Carbon cured concrete	Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS) Hub in Jubail Nature-Based Solutions

Saudi Arabia is making tangible progress in the energy transition

Energy Efficiency

SEEP program started in 2012, resulted in savings

492,000 BOE/Day

Liquid displacement

~1 million barrels of oil equivalent of liquid displacement by 2030

CCS

Capture and store 44 million tons of CO₂ Annually by 2035

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Capture and utilize 2 million tons per year of CO₂ to produce glycol, urea, green methanol and clean fuels

Renewable energy

50% of electricity generation capacity to be from renewable energy by 2030

Clean Hydrogen and low-emissions fuels

150,000 tons of clean ammonia shipped globally

Largest Green H₂ project in NEOM

1.5 mtpa CO₂ utilized to produce clean fuels

Nature-Based Solutions

600 million trees to be planted by 2030 and a goal of planting 10 billion trees We remain a responsible hydrocarbon producer, and we are growing our renewable energy capacity



Saudi Arabia has the 2nd lowest methane intensity, and is committed to further reducing methane emissions from oil and gas



Additionally, the carbon intensity of a barrel produced from KSA is among the lowest in the world



The Kingdom aims to tender 20 GW of renewable capacity in 2024, a target that has only been surpassed by China and the USA



[1] The numbers for 2023 are still initial and expected to be revised. Sources: IEA, REN21, IRENA, PVMag, SEIA

Saudi Arabia's implementation of a domestic market mechanism The GHG Crediting & Offsetting Mechanism (GCOM)



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28. Further recognizes the need for deep, rapid and sustained reductions in greenhouse gas emissions in line with 1.5 °C pathways and calls on Parties to contribute to the following global efforts, in a nationally determined manner, taking into account the Paris Agreement and their different national circumstances, pathways and approaches:

- ✓ (a) Tripling renewable energy capacity globally and doubling the global average annual rate of energy efficiency improvements by 2030
- ✓ (b) Accelerating efforts towards the phase-down of unabated coal power
- ✓ (c) Accelerating efforts globally towards net zero emission energy systems, utilizing zero- and low-carbon fuels well before or by around mid-century

(d) Transitioning away from fossil fuels in energy systems,

✓ in a just, orderly and equitable manner, accelerating action in this critical decade, so as to achieve net zero by 2050 in keeping with the science

 ✓ (e) Accelerating zero- and low-emission technologies, including, inter alia, renewables, nuclear, abatement and removal technologies such as carbon capture and utilization and storage, particularly in hard-to-abate sectors, and lowcarbon hydrogen production

(f) Accelerating and substantially reducing non-carbon-

✓ dioxide emissions globally, including in particular methane emissions by 2030

(g) Accelerating the reduction of emissions from road

✓ transport on a range of pathways, including through development of infrastructure and rapid deployment of zero-and low-emission vehicles

(h) Phasing out inefficient fossil fuel subsidies that do not

✓ address energy poverty or just transitions, as soon as possible

The world has made progress towards climate change mitigation and adaptation since the Paris agreement in 2015...



In 2023, clean energy investments surpassed **\$1.8 trillion**^[1] and the **Loss and Damage fund** was established^[2]



Global renewable capacity additions increased from approximately 150 GW in 2015 to nearly **510** GW in 2023, the fastest growth rate in the past two decades^[3]



Since 2015, more than **300 million people** have gained access to **electricity** and over **700 million to clean cooking** fuels^[4]



COP28 came to a historic agreement for deep, rapid and sustained reduction in GHG emissions in a nationally determined manner **through 8 global efforts**

Thanks to the collective progress on climate action, the worst-case scenario for temperature rise (4°C) has been avoided ...however, there is still work ahead of us Achieving the global energy transition requires overcoming major challenges



The energy transition will require annual investments of nearly \$6 Trillion





The required annual investments amount to **7.5%** of the world's entire GDP



International **financial systems** must evolve to facilitate the growth needed from public & private funding



The **gaps in transition financing** represent a major barrier to **developing nations** in pursuing their net-zero ambitions

Sources: [1] BNEF [2] COP28 GST: Standing Committee on Finance. 2021. First report, Bonn: UNFCCC

Although renewables grew at a record rate, more effort is required to triple renewable capacity in less than a decade





To **triple** by 2030, **\$8 Trillion**^[3] is required for the new installed capacity and **\$3.6 Trillion**^[4] for grid expansion



Most capacity additions will be in **developing nations** which lack **infrastructure** and **grid capacity** to integrate renewables

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Replacing fossil fuels in the global electricity mix requires more solar PV than all the existing generation capacity



Reaching the EV penetration target by 2030 requires addressing unprecedented industrial and infrastructure development challenges





In 5 years, EV global annual manufacturing capacity must grow by **500%** to reach 60 million - comparable to current motor vehicle capacity of ~80 million



While \$100bn has been invested in charging infrastructure thus far, we still require almost **\$400bn globally by 2030**^[2]



Over 90% of global sales in 2022 were incentivized by subsidies which developing nations lack the capacity to match ^[3]

It took 70 years to build 370 GW of global nuclear generation capacity, the world must now build double that in half the time

Planned global nuclear installations and the capacity gap to achieve 2050 targets (GW)^[1]





Regulatory frameworks designed for 20thcentury reactors hinder innovation



Nuclear projects are **capital intensive**, more at risk of **inflation** and high **financing cost**



Low social acceptance needs to be addressed

Decarbonizing hard-to-abate industries may lead to a substantial increase in the cost of basic commodities





Significant emissions are **process** related which are **unavoidable**



Adopting **CCUS** and **H2** systems will **increase** the **cost of production**



Higher cost of construction materials will disproportionately impact **developing nations**

Securing access to the critical minerals needed for the energy transition requires addressing significant dependency risks



Critical minerals supply chains (extraction and processing) have a high level of market concentration

Dependency risks could pose major challenges to the energy transition Eliminating energy poverty is pivotal for a just and equitable transition



Building a new energy system requires collective and equitable efforts

	Strategically utilize the full spectrum of options in the energy toolkit for a sustainable and impactful transition
(\$ ⁵)	Effective capital allocation and financing to address socioeconomic impacts are imperative for a just and equitable transition



Tailoring the approaches to fit every **nation's circumstances and timeframe** is essential for the **success of global energy transformation**



Addressing the **vulnerable and most exposed nations** is crucial to ensure that no one is **left behind** in the energy transition

