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ABOUT THE BILATERAL PARTNERSHIP

GERMAN-ALGERIAN ENERGY PARTNERSHIP

1. General Information

The German-Algerian Energy Partnership is a platform supporting high-level intergovernmental assisting the German-Algerian cooperation in the energy sector. It was founded in 2015 with a Joint Declaration of Intent signed by the Ministers of Energy of both countries. The main topics of the partnership are the diversification of the energy mix, the promotion of renewable energies, the improvement of energy efficiency as well as environmental protection. The common goal is to create a maximum of long-term advantages for all citizens, the environment and the economy of both countries.

Until today, Algeria covers nearly all its energy consumption by fossil fuels exploited at national level. Despite its great potential, the part of renewable energies in the Algerian energy production is limited. In order to respond to the rising energy consumption, the Algerian government is planning to install, by 2030, solar and wind capacities up to 5.5 GW.

The Energy Partnership aims to use the German experience in the energy transition to support Algeria in its national energy policy which develops towards a sustainable energy supply.

2. Institutional Framework

Responsibilities and stakeholders

The Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi) is in charge of the coordination of the partnership from the German side. In Algeria, this responsibility lies at the department of the Ministry of Energy. From the German side, other major players are the Federal Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU), the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (AA). From the Algerian

side, the Commission for Electricity and Gas Regulation (CREG) and the two public groups, Sonatrach and Sonelgaz, are active stakeholders.

Implementation

The implementation of the Energy Partnership is placed under the direction of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy and the Algerian Ministry of Energy. A high-level steering group gives strategic orientations to the partnership. The Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) supports the Energy Partnership with the thematic and logistic plan, through a secretary placed in Berlin and Algiers. The GIZ is interlocutor and information platform for the bilateral cooperation of the Energy Partnership and addresses all stakeholders of the energy sector.

Besides, two thematic working groups work on the following topics:

- Renewable energies
- Energy Efficiency

The thematic working groups are open for participation for economic players, the Business world, researchers and the civil society who can present and discuss their projects in this field. They are place under the technical direction of the related German and Algerian ministries or the institutions under their tutelage.

3. Examples of treated topics in the framework of the working groups

- Promotion of renewable energies and their integration into the network
- Energy Efficiency in the industry
- Support for the development of long-term energy scenarios
- Bilateral exchange about the energy policy

4. Examples of activities

- Study trip under the topic of energy efficiency in companies at Berlin and Frankfurt (august 2019)
- Participation at the Berlin Energy Transition Dialogue 2019
- Participation at the 2nd edition of the international fair of environment and renewable energies SI-EERA (March 2019)
- Meeting of the steering group (October 2019)
- German-Algerian Energy Day (April 2018, November 2019)
- Advisory workshop concerning call for tenders in the field of renewable energies, the Grid Code Renewable Energies
- Study about the economic effects of projects for renewable energies
- Training for energy efficiency in the industry



You are interested in the German-Algerian Energy Partnership?

If you are interested in the topics of the partnership or if you want to participate at the activities of the Energy Partnership, we invite you to contact:

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