



## Hydrogen Breakthrough Roundtable – delivering the 2023 Priority Actions

Tuesday, 21 March 14:30-15:30 (BRT)

[Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort](#), Room A

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### Background

Launched by world leaders at COP26, the Breakthrough Agenda aims to ensure clean technologies are the most affordable and accessible option by 2030. In practice, this work focuses on facilitating effective international collaboration by ensuring join-up between clean energy initiatives, reviewing progress towards the Breakthrough goal each year and channeling political support behind a set of priority actions in response to the report recommendations. At COP27, countries agreed to prioritize collaboration on a set number of Priority Actions including crowding in support behind the initiatives that are delivering these actions.

### Aims

- Build an understanding of the holistic picture of progress across each sector on critical elements of the transition by discussing and developing a shared understanding of progress against Priority Actions for the Breakthrough sector, progress towards the relevant Breakthrough goal and status of cooperation in the sector.
- Identify the key delivery milestones in the coming year and identifying what more can be done to make clean technology the most affordable and reliable option for all by 2030.
- Highlight the central position of CEM and MI and Breakthrough Agenda in the climate ecosystem. The Breakthrough Agenda is the first joint project between CEM and MI.
- Shape the 2023 Breakthrough Agenda Report, through both direct discussion about the report itself, and through gathering intelligence from the content of the discussions. This would help to inform 2024 priority actions under the Breakthrough Agenda.

**Please note:** The Breakthrough Agenda takes a holistic view of enhancing international cooperation, so this roundtable will cover the full range of activity in the hydrogen sector including activities led by CEM and MI and by other international initiatives. There will be separate meetings to focus in more detail on the specific and respective CEM workstreams and MI missions in the hydrogen sector.

### Outcomes

- This round table is aimed to be a dialogue between interested parties to help ensure the delivery of the Breakthrough Agenda Priority Actions, through reviewing and challenging the progress being made.
- Actions arising from this discussion will be shared with participants, alongside meeting notes after the meeting.
- These actions will be revisited at the next set of sectoral round tables, which we hope may take place around the CEM and MI Ministerials in July.

## Invited Attendees

- Heads of Delegation or senior representatives of the Hydrogen Breakthrough endorsing countries
- Representative of other CEM & MI member countries
- CEM/MI hydrogen leads
- Initiatives delivering the Hydrogen Priority Actions (in particular: MI-CHM, CEM-H2I, IPHE, WEF, UNIDO and the World Bank)
- Current and incoming COP Presidency representatives (UAE & Egypt)
- Representatives of the report authors (IRENA, IEA, HLC)
- Climate Champion's Sector Leads
- CEM/MI technical experts, including the MI Technical Advisory Group
- Breakthrough Agenda project team

## Agenda

Item	Speaker
Welcome and overview of the session (2 mins)	Chair: Julie Cerqueira Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of International Affairs, Chair, MI Steering Committee
Ambition for international collaborative action on H <sub>2</sub> by COP28 (3 mins)	UAE COP28 Presidency Team
<p>Breakthrough Priority Action Dialogue. (45 minutes)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of all five Hydrogen Breakthrough Priority Actions for 2022.</li> <li>• Focus on 3 Priority Actions – 15 mins per action: Standards &amp; Certification, Strengthening Demand Signals, Finance – including strengthening international assistance offer.</li> <li>• Coordinating Initiative leads for each action will briefly summarise plans for the year, what can be achieved by COP28 and where more action/ support is needed.</li> <li>• Chair will invite round table participants to consider the guiding questions below.</li> </ul> <p>Chairs will invite round table participants to consider, in the context of the Breakthrough Agenda Priority Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build a holistic understanding of plans, progress and the roles of key initiatives to address critical elements of the hydrogen transition through international collaboration – coordinated through the Hydrogen Breakthrough Priority Actions.</li> <li>• Identify the key delivery milestones in the coming year and identifying what more can be done to make clean technology the most affordable and reliable option for all by 2030.</li> <li>• Provide a progress update on the 2023 Breakthrough Agenda Report which is currently under development and will inform</li> </ul>	Discussion led by chairs, Paul Durrant (BA Hydrogen lead), with contributions from participants.

<p>2024 priority actions under the Breakthrough Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highlight the critical roles of CEM, MI and the Breakthrough Agenda in the climate ecosystem.</li> </ul>	
<p>The Breakthrough Agenda Report 2023 – setting out the expected areas of focus for the Hydrogen chapter and emerging thinking on priorities for 2024 (3 mins)</p>	<p>Hydrogen chapter lead, IEA/IRENA/High Level Champions Team</p>
<p>Closing remarks: including next steps and future engagement opportunities (5 minutes)</p>	<p>Chairs</p>

### Comms

There is no official comms to support this round table. However, we encourage the use of our [stakeholder toolkit](#), and the use of #breakthroughagenda, to promote this work on your social media channels, and with your stakeholders.