

## APREN's event on ocean renewables returns in April

*The second edition of the largest event on ocean renewables in Portugal  
will take place on April 17, in Lisbon.  
Registration is now open.*



After the first event having exceeded expectations, [APREN – Portuguese Renewable Energy Association](#) will organize the second edition of its conference entirely dedicated to ocean renewable energies. The [Oceanic Renewables Summit 2024 \(#ORS2024\)](#) is scheduled for April 17<sup>th</sup> and will take place at the Champalimaud Foundation in Lisbon.

"There is room for the creation of a national sector focused on ocean renewables, as has been being proved by the continuous demonstration of interest from various sectors of activity, both nationally and internationally. With this event we want to underline the strategic potential of this emerging cluster, which is a great opportunity for socio-economic development – it should be noted that the socio-economic impact of renewables is estimated to be 5.9% of GDP Portuguese in 2030", anticipates the Chairman of the Board of APREN, Pedro Amaral Jorge.

In this meeting, especially dedicated to offshore wind, the various opportunities and challenges of the sector will be discussed. The event's program will feature panels on the following topics:

- Enabling biodiversity through ocean renewable energy;
- Creating a network design fit for ocean renewables;
- Design the ideal auction model for Portugal;
- Promote a happy coexistence;
- Create a local value chain to unlock economic opportunities.

In 2022, the Portuguese government announced the goal of reaching 10 GW of offshore wind by 2030 – an ambitious target, integrated into the European goal of reaching a combined offshore wind capacity of 111 GW by the end of the decade.

APREN has been present in this sector's commitment: it participated in the working group created by the Government for the planning and operationalization of power plants based on renewable energy sources of oceanic origin or location, and in the three underlying subgroups, responsible for producing recommendations regarding the established objectives.



Last November, the government launched the first stage of the offshore wind tender, by means of a process of expression of interest. After the launch, fifty companies from ten different countries showed interest in moving forward with offshore wind energy projects in Portugal.

Registration for the event, which will be concentrated on a single day, [are now available in our website](#), as well as all the information about the sponsorship models.

APREN already organizes annually the most relevant event dedicated to renewable energies – the “Portugal Renewable Energy Summit” – which next edition is scheduled for November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**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.