



# Monthly Sustainability Newsletter

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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear members, partners, friends and stakeholders. It is my pleasure to introduce the April issue of the monthly sustainability newsletter from the Al-Attiyah Foundation. In this month's publication, we look at the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the four goals most relevant to the oil and gas industry and the progress to achieving these optimistic goals in Qatar, the GCC and globally.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a new, universal set of goals, targets and indicators that all UN member states are expected to use for framing their sustainable development agendas and policies for 15 years, post 2015. The SDGs, adopted in September 2015 and entered into force in January 2016, form the core of the General Assembly Resolution 70/1 on "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development". The SDGs follow and expand on the millennium development goals (MDGs), which were agreed by governments in 2001 and expired at the end of 2015.

The operations of oil and gas industries have potential impacts on a range of areas covered by the SDGs. While the industry contributes to sustainable development in many ways, it faces operational challenges in several fronts. The SDGs serve as a good blueprint for framing the corporate social responsibility (CSR) of companies wishing to capitalize on the positive benefits to society, while mitigating, in a meaningful way, the adverse impacts of their activities.

## THIS MONTH'S NEWS AT A GLANCE

**Goal 7:** Ensure access to affordable and sustainable energy for all.

**Goal 11:** Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

**Goal 12:** Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.

**Goal 13:** Urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

## Upcoming Events

**May 8.** 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Energy Awards.

**May 9.** 1st Forum of Energy Elders

**May 22.** CEO Roundtable Series 4.

**Sep 12.** CEO Roundtable Series 5.

**Dec.** CEO Roundtable Series 6.

## Important Announcement

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### 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Energy Awards

The Abdullah Bin Hamad Al-Attiyah International Energy Awards are celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year, and in commemoration of this special occasion a one-day forum will be held in conjunction with the annual awards to gather all former winners and relevant stakeholders for an international brainstorming conference.

*Date: May 08<sup>th</sup>*

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### The 1<sup>st</sup> Forum of Energy Elders

*Date: May 09<sup>th</sup>*

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### CEO Roundtable Series 5

The Implications of the Paris Agreement for Oil and Gas Companies in Qatar

*Date: 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017*