



RE RENEWABLE ENERGY Congress & Exhibit

The Renewable Energy Congress & Exhibit is a flagship project of the Center for Empowerment, Innovation and Training on Renewable Energy (CentRE) held annually since 2018, in partnership with the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES). It is envisaged as the CentRE's contribution to the growth of renewable energy industry, particularly micro-renewables.

The event aims to provide a venue for discussions on developments in the RE industry particularly on technologies and innovation, policies and good practices that will enhance or strengthen the expansion of RE use in the country, as well as address key barriers. It intends to contribute in raising awareness, enhancing capacities, and realization of better policies and partnerships among stakeholders through the plenaries and breakout sessions that will tackle RE policy, energy efficiency, access, financing, practices and innovations.

Target participants include CSOs, academe, national and local government units, industry players, communities, parishes, workers and the youth.

Parallel to the RE Congress is the RE Exhibit that aims to provide RE developers/technology providers, especially the smaller ones, the opportunity to showcase their projects and services and build linkages in a more affordable space. The University of the Philippines -In-It/Center for Environmental Informatics is a partner in the RE Congress and Exhibit



THE RE CONGRESS THROUGH THE YEARS

2018

Quezon City

Igniting a Clean Energy Future

<https://bit.ly/3AGAzsS>

2019

Cebu City

**Road to 100% RE:
Energizing Development,
Empowering People
and Institutions**

<https://bit.ly/3AGAzsS>

2020

Online

**RE-Building Better:
Strengthening the Role
of Renewable Energy
in Recovery and
Development**

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The Center for Empowerment, Innovation and Training on Renewable Energy (CentRE) is a not-for-profit association comprised of RE advocates, developers, researchers, experts and social impact investors pursuing full deployment of RE in the country to address energy poverty, high electricity rates, and climate change in a just, sustainable and democratic manner. With diverse expertise of its members – CSOs, private industry players, electric cooperatives, academic centers and individuals engaging on energy, climate, environment and good governance – the CentRE is envisaged as a hub for knowledge, social innovation, policy studies, advocacy and community empowerment towards achieving 100 percent renewable energy. Its goals: RE-CLAIM – realize RE through Capacity building, Linkages, Advocacy, Innovation and Mobilization.

The crisis brought on by the global pandemic and the opportunities for recovery and transformational change under a new administration are compelling reasons for various stakeholders to come together and build an altruistic agenda for the common good.

This year, the Renewable Energy Congress (RE Congress) will be an important event to engage in a national discussion addressing energy access, affordability, and efficiency through the application or use of renewable energy, as part of the national economic recovery, job creation, and decarbonization efforts.

In the event, consumers, homeowners, RE developers, small entrepreneurs, workers, youth, local government employees, the academe, and the national government can initiate dialogues about the state of the Philippine energy industry, with particular emphasis on RE. Actions and strategies shall be discussed with the aim of meeting RE's target share in the energy mix. Discussions will include developments in RE policies, technologies and practices, and other government programs to realize at least 35% RE target by 2030, as well as other ways that will further increase it, and at the same time realize a just energy transition.

The RE Congress 2021 shall focus on the national and local context of renewable energy. The plenary session will delve into the overarching concern on accelerating RE deployment towards meeting the 35% RE target. This will be tackled in the keynote address, panel discussion, and in the multi-stakeholders' manifesto on RE and just transition. This, in view of other major linked concerns—sustainable recovery and development from the pandemic and disasters, massive joblessness and income inequality, and contributions in pursuing the RE and just transition agenda for the next administration.



REfocus in 2022 and Beyond: Meeting RE targets for Sustainable Recovery and Development

25 September 2021
9am - 12nn
online

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recongress2021.thecentre.ph

THE RE CONGRESS PROGRAMME

WILL TACKLE HOW TO REALIZE THE TARGET 35% RE SHARE IN THE ENERGY MIX

KEYNOTE ADDRESS & RESPONSE

DOE Sec. Alfonso Cusi (tbc)
Atty. Pete Maniego (ICSC/CentRE)

RESPONSE Sen. Risa Hontiveros

Status, critical concerns, and insights on RE law implementation and meeting the target RE share in the energy mix shall be addressed.

HIGH-LEVEL PANEL DISCUSSION

NEDA Sec. Karl Chua (tbc)
Atty. Mona Dimalanta (tbc)
Mr. Charlie Ayco (CentRE)

The panel will answer what requirements or concrete actions were already taken and yet to be implemented – in terms of policy, financing, plant capacity, source, energy security etc - in order to meet the RE target.

PRESENTATION OF MANIFESTO

Reading of the Manifesto, and messages of endorsement from representatives of various sectors

MESSAGES FROM PARTNERS

OBJECTIVES

- Address critical issues in the energy industry towards policy reforms, particularly on meeting the target RE share in the energy.
- Advance the integration of renewable energy, just transition and green recovery agenda in the government's economic recovery and development plans. Highlight how RE can help spur job creation and livelihoods for a Better Normal.
- Contribute in providing stakeholders with information and insights into RE acceleration to increase participation in public discourse, as well as in the development planning, policy drafting, decision making and implementation of programs to address energy poverty, economic crisis, and the impacts of climate change.



Agenda 2022 and Beyond

Beyond COVID pandemic and disasters recovery. The pandemic and its effects on the country is continuing well into 2021, thus economic ramifications further amplified. There is a need to revisit and find ways to improve how renewable energy can be more responsive or have beneficial effects for health and economic recovery, and address the costly and unreliable electricity supply. What are the takeaway lessons that we can glean from this experience in order to improve and amplify key practices – to be more responsive to the current realities, create new policies and agenda towards a shift from fossil fuels to RE, and realize a truly democratic access to clean energy.

Green jobs. Securing income, jobs and livelihoods through RE. What are the programs and technologies for local energy access, job-creation and economic recovery as helped by RE. Learn from and possibly replicate cases of communities that have been able to use the crisis situation to innovate their access to energy, and thus help spur economic recovery. What RE-aided technologies for local energy access, economic recovery, and mobility that can support income generation or job creation can be applied, and what governmental support will be needed to realize these.

RE and Just Transition Agenda for 2022 and Beyond. Given the multiple health, economic, and climate crises, we cannot afford to do "Business-As-Usual" especially these next 3 to 6 years. Stakeholders have to be proactive in the charting of a development agenda that is just, inclusive and sustainable. The RE Congress and linked events shall tackle and make recommendations on the integration of RE and just transition programs in the government's economic recovery and development agenda.

2021
RE RENEWABLE ENERGY
CONGRESS
LINKED EVENTS

DEEP DIVE SESSIONS:

SEPTEMBER 17

9.30-11.30AM

1.00-3.00PM

3.30-5.30PM

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**DISTRIBUTED
ENERGY
RESOURCES**
9.30-11.30AM

What does it take to accelerate the adoption of DER in the Philippines -- in terms of technology, financing, and policy gaps to be addressed ?

**RE INNOVATIONS
FOR OFFGRID AND
ENERGY POOR AREAS**
1-3 PM

Ongoing people-LGU-priv. sector RE-electrification initiatives in off-grid and energy poor areas will be presented to draw learnings and come up with recommendations to support similar initiatives

PRACTICAL USES OF RE
3.30-5.30PM

Cases of application of RE for household-level use, or specific economic activity/facility to support service delivery and or job/income generation will be shared in this session.

About the Deep Dive Sessions

Discussions in these sessions are envisioned to be on the practical level. Concrete solutions or steps to make RE a reality and address these concerns will be tackled – energy access, energy efficiency, support for jobs/livelihoods, and/or delivery of services.

The process, including the challenges and learnings, will be discussed especially as regards to technical, financial, policy, and people's participation to realize RE in various settings or conditions. The summaries for these sessions will be shared with session participants and RE Congress panel speakers days before the RE Congress.