



# Clean Energy Quarterly: Updates from CEM



2025 marked the year of implementation for the CEM. While our 15th anniversary last year allowed us to reflect on where we've been and get direction from Ministers on where we're going, this year we showcased how quickly the CEM community can move to implement our members' vision. From a high-impact ministerial meeting in South Korea, to deeper collaboration with a growing community of countries and partners, the CEM continued to strengthen its role as a leading implementation platform for the clean energy transition.

Some of the year's highlights include:

- Being called upon as lead implementor of the <u>Belem 4X Sustainable Fuels</u>
  Pledge at COP30.
- Launching a <u>declaration on sustainable lifestyles and fairness</u>, endorsed by seven countries and six international organisations.
- Establishing <u>two new CEM initiatives</u> on clean cooking and geothermal energy at CEM16.
- Advancing the <u>CEM Agenda for Action on Power</u> through the creation of new power sector action plans and a successful regulatory forum at CEM16.
- Progressing the implementation of the **CEM Inclusivity Framework** through close collaboration with CEM partners.
- Expanding engagement with **EMDEs and philanthropic partners** to ensure the work of the CEM benefits all.

Thank you to the entire CEM community for making 2025 one of our most impactful years yet. The following updates showcase more of the great outcomes achieved in the last quarter of the year. We look forward to building on this momentum in 2026 as we continue advancing the clean energy transition.

## **CEM International Engagement**

#### **UNGA High-Level Week**



At UNGA High-Level Week, we continued the momentum from CEM16, spotlighting two of our flagship deliverables, the Future Fuels Action Plan, and the Agenda for Action on Power, and amplifying CEM's role in the accelerating global energy action by partnering with organisations within the CEM Community and showcasing CEM outcomes.

#### **G20**



At the G20 Energy Transitions Working Group Meeting 4 and Energy Ministerial, CEM was invited to showcase its leading contributions to the South African G20 Presidency's energy priorities. We demonstrated how the CEM Future Fuels Action Plan can help to chart a clear path forward to ensure energy security and a just and affordable energy transition. We also highlighted how the CEM Agenda for Action on Power is strengthening infrastructure reliability and participated in the G20 Nuclear Energy Ministerial Conference to explore further support for African countries adopting nuclear energy for a clean energy transition.

#### COP<sub>30</sub>





CEM had a strong presence at COP30 and Sustainable Business COP30 this year, notably through being named the lead implementor of the Belem 4X Sustainable Fuels Pledge. Throughout our time in Brazil, we demonstrated how CEM-led efforts are already driving real-world progress toward national climate and energy goals, advancing NDC implementation, and directly supporting the priorities of the COP30 Presidency. Highlights of CEM work at COP30 include:

- Launch of the Biofuture Platform Declaration on Sustainable Chemicals and Materials
- <u>Launch of a Public-Private Implementation Statement on Creating</u>
  <u>Demand for Low-Emissions Hydrogen and its Derivatives in Lead Markets</u>
  <u>by the Hydrogen Initiative and partners</u>
- <u>Leading the COP30 Plan to Accelerate Solutions on Harnessing AI & Digitalisation for a Smart, Resilient, and Efficient Energy Infrastructure through the LTES Initiative.</u>
- Hosting of many official side-events by CEM workstreams.

### **CEM Initiative News**

# IDDI welcomes new members to initiative and Green Public Procurement Pledge

IDDI officially welcomed Australia as the tenth member of the initiative and Brazil as the newest signatory of the IDDI Green Public Procurement Pledge.

Learn more







#### ISGAN publishes three new reports

ISGAN has recently published three reports: "Integrating Flexible Resources into Distribution Network Planning", "Case Studies of Data and Digitalisation as an Enabler for Energy Flexibility", and "Survey on Flexibility Market Implementation and Development". They examine how flexible resources can support distribution networks, present digitalization case studies, and provide insights into current flexibility market practices, challenges, and opportunities.

Read them here

#### **CCUS** Initiative seeks insurance solutions for carbon management

In a collaborative process with Oil and Gas Climate Initiative (OGCI) and the Geneva Association, a CEO-led group of major global insurance companies, CEM CCUS Initiative is working to facilitate insurance solutions for large-scale CCUS and carbon management projects. The collaboration involves discussing risk management approaches that governments have in place for CCUS. A joint public-facing document is scheduled for 2026.

Learn more



# LTES holds 6th International Forum on Long-Term Energy Scenarios

The 6th International Forum on Long-Term Energy Scenarios concluded in Bonn last month, seeking to strengthen institutional planning frameworks for the clean energy transition. The two-day Forum convened over 70 participants from more than 35 countries; energy planners, government officials, researchers and international partners. Throughout the Forum, participants emphasised that effective scenario deployment depends not only on analytical rigor but on cross-institutional coordination, national ownership, and stakeholder trust.

Find out more

## **Upcoming events**

# EPI webinar series on creating workforce readiness in Southeast Asia

Building on high-level discussions at the 16th CEM Ministerial meeting in Busan (Aug 2025), this webinar series seeks to provide policymakers and decision-makers platform for knowledge exchange on global best practices in workforce development, skill-building strategies, and regulatory approaches to support sustainable economic growth transition and energy objectives.



Register here



# ISGAN Lighthouse Project Webinar Series

This webinar series explores key aspects of long-term planning and implementation of smart distribution grids, with the help of the new framework developed in Phase 1. Recent webinars covered foresight, strategic decision-making, and long-term planning. The next two sessions, scheduled for early 2026, will focus on "assessment and decision support" and "implementation".

Learn more

### **CDR Knowledge Sharing Summit**

On 14-16 April 2026, CEM CCUS Initiative will co-host a major CCUS and CDR knowledge-sharing event with Norway's Gassnova and other partners such as IEAGHG, in Sandefjord, Norway. Three event days will include senior-level policy discussions, as well as expert-level technical, economic and regulatory talks across all carbon management technologies and sectors.

Learn more

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