

Press Statement: Endorsement of the Thessaloniki Declaration at the MENA-Europe Future Energy Dialogue 2024 (MEFED24)

Med-TSO, as a proud member of the MEFED24 Advisory Group, is pleased to announce the endorsement of the Thessaloniki Declaration, presented during the second edition of the MENA-Europe Future Energy Dialogue (MEFED24) in Thessaloniki, Greece, on 8 September.

The Thessaloniki Declaration highlights the **need for enhanced collaboration** between Europe and the MENA region in developing integrated energy infrastructure for electrons and molecules to facilitate trade. Increased cooperation is essential to accelerate the energy transition in the two regions. The development of cross-regional infrastructure requires cooperation in terms of regulatory frameworks and a **coordinated approach to mobilizing financial** resources, to bridge financing gaps and ensure the successful implementation of energy infrastructure projects.

MEFED24 served as **unique platform for dialogue and collaboration**, bringing together about **300 high-ranking representatives from over 15 countries**, including Ministers and key decision makers from MENA and European national governments, the energy sector, financial institutions, international and regional organizations, and European Union institutions. The discussions centered on how Europe and the MENA region can jointly tackle the challenges of the energy transition and work towards a more interconnected and resilient energy grids and corridors. For further details about the MEFED24 conference and its outcomes, we invite you to visit the official website at mena-europe-energy.com.

The **MEFED Advisory Group**, composed of a diverse array of experts and stakeholders from the private and public sectors, European, international and regional organizations. The MEFED Advisory Group is committed to fostering synergies, sharing knowledge, and advancing **EU-MENA energy cooperation** beyond MEFED24.