

# WELCOME TO THE MENA CLIMATE SOLUTIONS RESEARCH NETWORK

Initiative led by: UAE Universities Climate Network (UCN) Supported by: Climate Champions Team



The MENA Climate Solutions Research Network was established to tackle critical climate challenges within the MENA region by implementing solutions aligned with the "2030 Climate Solutions - Implementation Roadmap." This roadmap, launched at COP28, identifies several thematic priorities: Energy, Transport, Industry, Land Use, Oceans & Coastal Zones, Water, Human Settlement and Finance. Our network is dedicated to addressing these areas through a multidisciplinary approach, encompassing technological innovations, policy frameworks, and capacity-building efforts.

## **OUR FOCUS AREAS**

- 1. Energy: Accelerate the shift to clean energy, aiming to triple renewable capacity by 2030 while doubling energy efficiency.
- **2. Transport:** Continue electrifying all land transport modes and shift global aviation and maritime shipping to sustainable, zero-emission fuels.
- **3. Industry:** Encourage breakthroughs in clean energy and zero-carbon products.
- **4. Land Use:** Implement sustainable agricultural practices, involve marginalized groups in nature management, utilize nature-based solutions, and shift to nature-friendly farming.
- **5. Ocean & Coastal Zones:** Implement science-based emissions reduction targets, build coastal communities' resilience, and restore marine ecosystems.
- **6.** Water: Address the water crisis, improve water management collaboratively, and integrate water system improvements for resilience and sustainable development.
- **7. Human Settlements:** Drive climate action in cities, aim for near-zero emissions in new buildings and collaborate for sustainable, low-emission, and resilient development.
- **8. Finance:** Mobilize finance and catalyze investment into climate adaptation and resilience for economic imperative.



### UCN AT A GLANCE

The UAE Universities Climate Network (UCN) comprises 35 UAE-based universities and higher education institutions working together to drive engagement among youth and academia.

Learn more here.



# UCN LEADERSHIP TEAM

The UAE Universities Climate Network (UCN) is currently led by Khalifa University, the University of Birmingham Dubai, and Ajman University.



#### **OUR APPROACH**

- Technological Solutions: Harnessing cutting-edge technology to provide sustainable and scalable climate solutions.
- **Policy Solutions:** Crafting and advocating for policies that support climate resilience and sustainability.
- Capacity Building: Empowering communities and stakeholders with the knowledge and skills needed to implement effective climate solutions.

#### WHY JOIN US?

- Collaborative Environment: Connect with leading experts, researchers, and policymakers in the field of climate solutions.
- Regional Impact: Contribute to initiatives that directly address the unique climate challenges of the MENA region.
- Innovative Projects: Participate in projects with the potential to drive real-world change.
- **Knowledge Sharing:** Access a wealth of resources, research, and best practices to enhance your work.



To join the network, scan the QR code or click here



# GET INVOLVED

Join us in making a difference in the MENA region by becoming a member of the MENA Climate Solutions Research Network. Together, we can develop and implement solutions that ensure a sustainable future for our communities.

# MORE INFORMATION

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