



Call for abstracts

On November 27-29 2016, we will hold the 7th Eilat-Eilat international conference for renewable energy. We wish to invite lecturers from the academia and business world to [submit abstracts for conference lectures](#).

The Eilat Eilat conference is an international event hosting approx. 1,000 participants from all sectors of renewable energy (RE).

The first evening of the conference will host, as in former years, the ENERGYVEST mini-conference by the new-tech department of the Israeli Ministry of Economics.

We are also pleased to announce, that we will be hosting in this conference, [Mr. Greg Wasserman](#), a partner at Generation Investment Management LLP and The Climate Solutions Fund. Mr. Wasserman led the Clinton Climate Initiative's global solar program which is focused on working with governments around the world and key solar industry participants to pursue the deployment of large-scale solar energy projects. He served eight years as Vice President of Special Situations Group at The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. focusing on alternative energy investments.

For further details visit the [Eilat-Eilat conference site](#)



Notification for two International Eilat-Eilat competitions

We wish to call all those who have the entrepreneurial spirit in their heart. Both adults and teens.

[Climatelaunchpad](#) is a European event, where upcoming entrepreneurs will compete for the grand prize of 10,000 euro and eight entry tickets to one of Europe's leading accelerator programs. The competition is open to anyone with a clean-tech idea, even if this idea is still in the concept phase.

High school students from Israel and abroad, excelling in sciences are also invited to enroll in our [SUSTAINERGY](#) workshop and meet teens from around the world, develop innovative ideas and learn about off-grid renewable energy technologies. Submissions are made through your local school or via NYEX.

[Further info on SUSTAINERGY](#)

[Further info on Climatelaunchpad](#)



Local head of Council Mr. Udi Gat retired from his position

Mr. Udi Gat was Eilat region head of council for 17 years. He is one of the founders of the "Sun Valley" vision and was one of the first to believe that renewable energy is the key to successfully develop the Eilat region, produce clean energy, attract new residents and create new jobs. With the paths he has paved, we have created a new unique reality making the Eilat region a national and international case study.

At the time Mr. Gat left office, the Eilat region manufactured 65% of the electricity being consumed from Eilat to Ha-Arava Junction, an area of more than 175 km. There are now 100 new job openings related to the field of renewable energy, as well as a technology hub which is working in the region, and a regional laboratory and research center. We also have to greatly thank Udi for supporting the establishment of Eilat-Eilat Initiative, which is both our home and our passion. For all these contributions and successes, we **thank you Udi**.



Infrastructures for the developing world

During the month of April, we hosted here in Arava, 30 engineering students from Afeka College. The group arrived as part of an off-grid technology oriented course that we have created with the help of a generous donation from the [MEPI program of the US embassy](#).

The course offered students a route into the eco-tech growing sector and a chance for significant networking opportunity. The course is still running as part of the college semester and this tour was specifically built to provide the students opportunities to experience the varieties of renewable energy, off-grid technologies in the Eilat region. Despite the fact that the course was not credited in the college (and is not mandatory), all 30 places were applied to by more than 50 students. We hope that In light of the course's success more academic programs will arrive for seminars here in the Arava.

[For more info on our MEPI project](#)



Electroad first experimental installation

At the middle of the night, in an undisclosed location in Tel-Aviv, Electroad start-up company installed their unique system that charges electric vehicles while on the move. The experiment is managed by Prof Shlomo Bechor and Dr Arie Sides of the Technion transportation department and with the cooperation of Tel-Aviv city and its representative Mr. Guy Sarusi, and of course, the Electroad team. In this experiment 30 meters of the Electroad innovative technology was installed under the street asphalt and during the upcoming month will be tested for durability and performance in real city conditions.

Electroad are also currently building a demonstration path, that will stay uncovered (without asphalt) in our [regional research and renewable energy center in Eilat](#). During the upcoming weeks they will hold demonstration events for journalists, investors and potential customers. If you wish to attend one of these events, please contact Electroad or Eilat-Eilat.

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