

Government of India
Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EoI)
FOR KNOWLEDGE PARTNERS (PRO-BONO)

**5th RE-INVEST & 4th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GREEN HYDROGEN (ICGH) -
2026**

1. BACKGROUND

The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) proposes to organise the combined 5th RE-INVEST and 4th International Conference on Green Hydrogen (ICGH) in November 2026. The event will serve as a premier global platform for promoting investments, policy dialogue, and international cooperation in the renewable energy and green hydrogen sectors. While the logistical execution will be undertaken by a designated Event Management Agency, MNRE intends to engage reputed think tanks, international organisations, multilateral institutions, consulting firms, and academic institutions of eminence as Knowledge Partners to curate high-quality technical content, support thematic session design, and facilitate participation of domain experts and institutions.

The engagement of Knowledge Partners will be strictly on a Pro-Bono / Non-Commercial basis. There shall be no financial commitment or monetary exchange between MNRE and the selected Knowledge Partners.

2. CATEGORIES OF ENGAGEMENT

In this context, MNRE invites proposals from interested institutions and organizations, meeting the eligibility criteria, for engagement as Knowledge Partners (**KP**) for various thematic sessions. Organisations may apply for one or more sessions depending on their expertise and interest. The role will entail responsibilities as Subject Matter Experts responsible for end-to-end curation of specific technical tracks in the RE sector (such as Green Hydrogen Standards, Offshore Wind, Solar Manufacturing), and other relevant themes as defined in the Scope of work below.

3. SCOPE OF WORK

A. Overall Responsibility

The Knowledge Partner shall be responsible for end-to-end curation and management of the assigned thematic session(s), including concept development, expert engagement, session coordination, and post-event reporting.

Phase 1: Pre-Event Curation

1. **Agenda Design:** Develop sharp, relevant Concept Note(s) and Agenda for the assigned session(s).
2. **Speaker Identification and Invitation:** Identify global and domestic experts to serve as moderators and speakers. Facilitate the issue of invitations to such experts for the event and follow up to ensure confirmation. Coordinate with the moderators and speakers for facilitating their participation in the session and the event as a whole.

Phase 2: Session Management

1. **Background Paper:** Prepare a briefing paper or technical note on the session topic, after approval by MNRE, for sharing with moderators, speakers and delegates.
2. **Pre-Session Coordination:** Coordinate with speakers and moderators and arrange suitable preparatory/ briefing sessions for them prior to the actual session.
3. **On-site Coordination:** Ensure proper dais management in coordination with the main organisation partner.
4. **Rapporteur Support:** Provide a rapporteur to record the deliberations in the respective sessions.

Phase 3: Post-Event Reporting

1. **Session Report:** Submit a structured session summary including key takeaways and actionable recommendations within 24 hours of the conclusion of the session.

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To ensure high-quality discourse, applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. **Nature of Entity:** Reputed Think-Tanks, International Organisations (IOs), Multilateral Agencies, Industry Consulting Firms, or Academic/Financial Institutions of Eminence.
2. **Track Record:** Demonstrated expertise in the energy sector, preferably with 5 years of published research or policy advocacy work in this area.
3. **Neutrality:** Sessions must adhere to MNRE assigned priorities and should not be used for marketing or promotion of their own commercial products or services.
4. **Manpower:** The organization must submit a brief on the capabilities of the organization including skill sets and qualifications of its team members. The applicant should also commit to dedicate at least a 3-member team for the complete duration of the planning and conduct of the event.

5. BENEFITS TO THE KNOWLEDGE PARTNER

While there is no monetary or financial compensation, partnering with MNRE for RE INVEST offers visibility, prestige and significant branding value apart from the following:

1. **Official Designation:** Use of the logo "Official Knowledge Partner – RE-INVEST/ICGH 2026, as applicable, in communications.
2. **Brand Visibility:**
 - a. Logo presence on the Main Event Backdrop, Website, and Delegate Kit.
 - b. Logo on the specific Session Backdrop
 - c. Logo in the "Event Report" to be prepared by the main organising partner
3. **Thought Leadership:** Opportunity to shape global discourse on energy transition and contribute to policy dialogue on India's RE development and deployment.

6. SELECTION PROCEDURE

The Knowledge Partners shall be selected by MNRE through a duly constituted Evaluation Committee based on the credentials of the applicant organisation, demonstrated expertise in the relevant thematic area, institutional experience, and relevance of the proposed contribution to the objectives of the event. MNRE

may seek additional information or clarifications during evaluation. The decision of MNRE regarding selection, allocation of thematic sessions, and scope of engagement shall be final and binding. Submission of an Expression of Interest does not guarantee selection or allocation of any session.

7. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Interested organizations should submit a “Proposal for Knowledge Partnership” including:

- i. Preferred Category pertaining to the thematic area or sector in which the KP is interested.
- ii. Preferred topics (e.g., "Green Shipping," "Grid Integration") may be indicated. However, mere indication of the thematic area or preferred topic of interest will not necessarily imply allotment of the related session(s) to the KP. The decision in this regard will be taken by MNRE and will be final and binding.
- iii. Commitment to adhere to the conditions mentioned in the eligibility criteria. The applicant should commit to submit credentials of the proposed team and deploy them within five days from the date of selection as KP.

8. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The last date to submit Expressions of Interest is 20th March 2026. Expression of interest may be submitted to RE INVEST Cell at inpa.mnre@gov.in.

9. ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- i. Right to Accept or Reject Proposals: MNRE reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals received in response to this Expression of Interest without assigning any reason. MNRE may also modify, annul, or cancel the EoI process at any stage.
- ii. Conflict of Interest: Applicants shall disclose any actual or potential conflict of interest related to the thematic area or participating organisations.
- iii. Intellectual Property Rights: All documents, background papers and reports prepared by the Knowledge Partner under this engagement shall remain the property of MNRE.
- iv. Confidentiality: The Knowledge Partner shall maintain strict confidentiality of all information related to planning and organisation of the event.

10. DISCLAIMER

This Expression of Interest (EoI) is issued by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE). It does not constitute a legally binding commitment. MNRE reserves the right to modify, amend or withdraw this EoI at any stage without assigning any reason. MNRE shall not be liable for any costs incurred by applicants in preparation or submission of proposals.

CONTACT DETAILS

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11. CORRIGENDUM / AMENDMENT

MNRE may modify the EoI by issuing corrigenda or amendments at any time prior to the last date for submission of proposals. Such amendments shall form an integral part of this EoI.