

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
BETWEEN  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**  
AND  
**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS**  
ON  
**COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HYDROGEN ENERGY**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE NETHERLANDS**, hereinafter referred to as “the Participants”,

**CONSIDERING** that the Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation of the Netherlands of the Netherlands and the Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure of the United Arab Emirates have met on 22 March 2022, to exchange views, to share their national strategies on decarbonisation and clean hydrogen, and to start a structured dialogue that will allow common interests and priorities to be identified in order to achieve a partnership for collaboration and joint efforts in the future in this regard;

**NOTING** the importance of clean hydrogen, in particular green hydrogen sourced from renewable sources, as an energy carrier to decarbonise the economy and contribute to each country's emission reduction policy goals and commitments adopted under the Paris Agreement done at Paris on 12 December 2015;

**RECOGNIZING** the benefits of working together in supporting the creation of an international market, the development of technologies, the deployment of infrastructure, and the setting up of export-import corridors for clean hydrogen between the United Arab Emirates and the Netherlands, as a gateway to Europe;

**HAVE REACHED** the following understanding:

**OBJECTIVE**

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding (here in after referred to as the "MoU") is to provide a framework for the Participants to strengthen their ties of friendship and to promote and enhance cooperation in the field of production, transportation and application of clean hydrogen and related fuels and feedstock, on the basis of mutual social, economic and environmental benefit to the Participants in order to promote sustainable development and decarbonisation of their economies.

## **SCOPE AND FORM OF COOPERATION**

- (a) The Participants will enhance bilateral cooperation and knowledge sharing in fields such as standards, trade rules, policies, technologies, certification, and investments to support the development of clean hydrogen and related fuels and feedstock.
- (b) The Participants will start a structured dialogue to cooperate on the strategic issues of setting up export-import corridors for clean hydrogen and related fuels and feedstock between the United Arab Emirates and the Netherlands. These corridors may include production and conversion facilities, pipelines, ports, terminals, and shipping.
- (c) The Participants will explore the opportunities to jointly promote public and private investment in the production of, and export-import corridors for clean hydrogen and related fuels and feedstock and facilitate collaboration between private parties in both countries, including pilot projects for green hydrogen export.
- (d) The Participants will strengthen collaboration in multilateral clean energy forums, including, but not limited to, the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) and the International Partnership for Hydrogen and Fuel Cells in the Economy (IPHE).

### **1. DIFFERENCES IN APPLICATION AND INTERPRETATION**

The Participants will resolve any difference that may arise from the application or interpretation of this MoU through consultations.

### **2. STATUS**

This MOU is not legally binding.

**3. FINAL DISPOSITIONS**

- (a) This MOU will come into effect on the date of signature by the Participants.
- (b) The Participants may amend this MoU at any time upon their mutual written consent.
- (c) A Participant may terminate this MoU by giving six (6) months written notice to the other Participant.

**SIGNED** in duplicate in the English and Arabic Languages, on the 22 day of March 2022, in Dubai. All texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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