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Renewable Energy Desalination: moving forward for collaboration

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# Outline

### Water Scarcity

Integrating RE and Desalination

RE Desalination Systems in the ME

Water, Power, RE Nexus

### Water Share Per Person in GCC



\*\*Data Taken From The Ministries Of Water From All GCC Countries

### Renewable Fresh Water Resources For GCC



### **Renewable Fresh Water Resources**



# Integrating RE and Desalination Biomass MSF







### Solar Still

Many solar stills have been invented and tested over a period of almost 100 years, where a solar still covering about 4450 m<sup>2</sup> and providing fresh water (22.70 m<sup>3</sup>/day) was built in an arid area of Las Salinas, Chile in 1872 and operated for many years.

The highest capacity recorded is 5.8  $m^3/m^2/day$ .

Hidd II production 92592 m<sup>3</sup>/day, which requires a solar still with an area of approximately 1.6 km<sup>2</sup>.

### Solar thermal desalination in GCC

In 1984 a one million Dollar MED station coupled with thermal collectors was constructed in Um Nar, UAE, it was the world first largest renewable energy station with a capacity of 120 m<sup>3</sup>/day. The station was decommissioned in 2003 as a consequence of privatization of the water and power sector in UAE (EI-Nashar and AI-Baghdadi 1998; EI-Nashar and Samad 1998; EI-Nashar 2003).

### Solar thermal desalination in GCC

Number of small systems were installed before Um Nar station, where they could not survive more than two years; the most famous station is Yanbu solar freezing desalination which was installed with capital cost of 35 million dollars in 1984 with a capacity of 200 m<sup>3</sup>/day and decommissioned in 1986 for financial problems.

## Water Production ..... Bahrain











# Water and Power monthly peak demand



### Thermal Technologies ... Conventional







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# Conclusions:

- 1. Water and power demand are not correlated.
- 2. Energy and water systems are interdependent.
- The need to address the challenges to the integration of Renewable Energy into the power-water system.

# Water, Power and Renewable Energy Nexus



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Three Strategic Pillars to Address the Water, Power and Renewable Energy Nexus:

- 1. Establish a national network includes; water and power authorities, private sector and research institutions related to this nexus, the main aim of this network is to address the local challenges and possible research areas.
- 2. Identify potential partners for supporting the research and collaboration.
- 3. Call for a sponsored regular symposiums to address the challenges and provide a research proposals.

# Water, Power and Renewable Energy Nexus

Research/symposium topics:

- 1. Optimize the energy efficiency of power and water, production, transmission, and end use systems.
- 2. Enhance the reliability and resilience of energy and water systems.
- 3. Exploit productive synergies among water and energy systems.
- 4. Introduce/Increase the RE contribution in the efficient production of water and powert.

# Thank you