



CSLF Policy Group Meeting
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Your Excellencies,

Distinguished Guests,

Ladies and gentlemen,

Thank you for your participation today at this important Policy Group Meeting.

I would also like to thank you for your involvement in the Forum so far, and for making the Carbon Sequestration Leadership Forum a success.

The UAE has made ambitious investments into CCUS and we will continue to encourage a continued drive to innovation, in line with the goals of the UAE Vision 2021 and the Energy Strategy 2050 launched this year.

Launched in January this year, the UAE Energy Strategy 2050 outlines our nation's plan to ensure the diversification,



sustainability and security of its energy sector for the next three decades.

The plan aims to cut carbon dioxide emissions by 70 percent, increase the contribution of clean energy from 25 to 50 percent, and improve energy efficiency by 40 per cent – resulting in savings worth 700 billion dirhams.

The future of CCUS plays an instrumental role in the achievement of the goals of the 2050 UAE Energy Strategy.

Therefore, it is crucial that we continue to encourage the growth of CCUS.

Through the work of the Carbon Capture and Sequestration Leadership Forum, we can propel the technology forward through policy measures and joint collaboration.

I am sure that we will have a productive session today and I look forward to the discussion, which will be beneficial to all the member countries.

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Thank you.