



## ANRE takes part in United Nations Economic Commission for Africa High-Level Dialogue to advance Africa's electricity sector reform

The President of the National Electricity Regulatory Authority (ANRE) took part in the High-Level Public-Private Dialogue on investment in African electricity and infrastructure Development, on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2023, hosted by the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) and RES4AFRICA in Addis Ababa.

The Dialogue brought together private and public stakeholders from across Africa to engage in policy discussions on the necessary reforms needed to advance Africa's electricity sector and attract private investments. This collaborative dialogue aligns with the African Union's Agenda 2063, which seeks to the development of vital infrastructure and ensure access to energy in order to catalyze socioeconomic transformation throughout the continent.

The President of ANRE, Mr. Abdellatif Bardach greatly contributed to the high-level political forum by highlighting Morocco's remarkable achievements in the energy sector under the High Guidance of His Majesty the King Mohammed VI, May God Assist Him. He also emphasized the importance of ANRE's mission to mainly ensure a clear and transparent regulatory framework, as well as to ensure fairness in the sector by promoting a favorable environment for private investment.

Moreover, thanks to his positions as President of the Mediterranean Energy Regulators Association (MEDREG) and as Vice-President of RegulaE.Fr, Mr. Abdellatif Bardach also shared his experience of working closely with regulators from the Mediterranean and Africa to promote the development of a regional energy market. This collaboration aims to enable investment in infrastructure and fosters greater cross-border electricity trade, in line with the tireless efforts of the Kingdom of Morocco under the leadership of His Majesty King Mohammed VI, may God Assist Him.

The main conclusions of the Dialogue will inform the forthcoming action plan of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and shape their support to interested African countries in building conducive electricity policy and regulatory framework to crowd-in private investment.