

MISSION INNOVATION

Accelerating the Clean Energy Revolution

Innovation Challenges: Midterm Results

Smart Grids

#1



Objective

Enable future grids powered by affordable, reliable, decentralised renewable electricity systems.

Co-leads



CHINA INDIA ITALY

Off Grid Access to Electricity

#2



Objective

Develop systems that enable off-grid households and communities to access affordable, reliable renewable electricity.

Co-leads



FRANCE INDIA

Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage

#3



Objective

Enable near zero CO₂ emissions from power plants and carbon-intensive industries.

Co-leads



SAUDI ARABIA UNITED STATES

Sustainable Biofuels

#4



Objective

Develop ways to produce at-scale widely affordable, advanced biofuels for transportation and industrial applications.

Co-leads



BRAZIL CANADA CHINA INDIA

Converting Sunlight

#5



Objective

Discover affordable ways to convert sunlight into storable solar fuels.

Co-leads



EUROPEAN COMMISSION GERMANY

Clean Energy Materials

#6



Objective

Accelerate the exploration, discovery and use of new high-performance, low-cost clean energy materials.

Co-leads



CANADA MEXICO UNITED STATES

Affordable Heating and Cooling of Buildings

#7



Objective

Make low-carbon heating and cooling affordable for everyone.

Co-leads



EUROPEAN COMMISSION UNITED ARAB EMIRATES UNITED KINGDOM

Top Accomplishments in 2017

- India & Australia launched **calls for proposals** in June to support effective collaboration among IC1 members.

- Collaboration agreements** (India, US, UK, Italy) were announced on Nov. 16-18.

- 14 members contributed to the publication of the **2017 Country Report**.

- India & France launched **calls for proposals** in June/July and each selected 9 winning projects. Winners of the French competition focused on access to energy in African countries while winners of the Indian competition partnered with at least one MI country.

- A CCUS **experts workshop** was held in Houston with 257 academic and industry participants from 22 countries and across 13 panels to establish the current state of CCUS technology.
- The **workshop report** will serve as an important signpost for future R&D activities in carbon capture, utilization, and storage technologies.

- Launched **survey** in partnership with Biofutures Platform and IEA to better understand the landscape of biofuels technology and identify research gaps, priorities, and collaboration activities.
- India launched a **funding call** worth USD \$5 million, which can be replicated in other MI countries.

- The EC launched an **inducement prize** called “Fuel from the Sun” to produce useful fuels using artificial photosynthesis.

- Mexico hosted the **inaugural workshop** in September, which catalyzed subsequent workshops hosted by Canada and laid the foundations for a **collaborative research project** to accelerate the discovery of clean energy materials.

- An **Extreme Efficiency Cooling Prize** is being developed in conjunction with the Rocky Mountain Institute.
- A **collaborative research project** with the IEA is underway to develop an integrated heating, cooling, and power system for buildings.