







# 7<sup>th</sup> German-Latin American Energy Conference

Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia





We are pleased to invite you to the 7th edition of our German-Latin American Energy Conference - a high-level forum for round table discussions and networking between German energy companies and Latin American and Caribbean counterparts, clients, partners, as well as representatives of government and administration. After previous events in Lima (2013), Santiago de Chile (2014), Medellín (2015), San José de Costa Rica (2016), Buenos Aires (2017) and Mexico City (2018), this year's event will put special emphasis on Bolivia.

Against overall modest growth projections for Latin America for 2019, Bolivia sticks out with expected growth rates beyond 4%. This growth is connected to public investments, growing commodity prices as well as growth in income and credit availability. However, Bolivia suffers from rising inflation, high commodity (especially natural gas) export dependency and, thus, a stable current account deficit. In **panel 1** we will discuss the perspectives for the Bolivian commodity sector, also in light of possible future LNG exports and the country's attempts to create local value-add through the development of value chains (i.e. battery production) in the lithium sector. Panel 2 will pay attention to Bolivia's renewable energy strategy, with specific focus to off-grid standalone solutions. In panel 3, we will cover innovations and new approaches for green mobility solutions.

Our high-level, by-invitation-only round table conference provides a forum where market participants from both sides of the Atlantic can share their experience and expertise on these issues, broaden their networks and develop concrete joint business proposals. We expect around 60 participants from German energy companies, their counterparts from Bolivia and the region, as well as representatives of politics and administration.



17:00







## **Agenda**

### Thursday, 31st October 2019

Until 17:00 Arrival, check-in

Welcome cocktail

Dr. Georg Dufner, Representative of Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Bolivia Nicole Stopfer, Director of the regional program Climate Change, Environment and

Energy Security in Latin America, Konrad Adenauer Foundation

Philipp Krakau, CEO GLB German Latin Business GmbH

Rodolfo Richter, CEO German-Bolivian Chamber of Industry and Commerce (AHK)

Political panel

Bolivian-German cooperation in times of rising global unilateralism

**Discussion** 

17:15 Luis Alberto Echazú, Vice Minister of High Energy Technologies, Ministry of Energy

Bolivia (tbc)

N.N., Member of the German Bundestag (tbc)

Chair: Nicole Stopfer, Konrad Adenauer Foundation

19:00 Dinner

#### Friday, 1st November 2019

Panel 1

Natural gas and lithium - the future of South American commodity export

9:00 ACI Systems Alemania GmbH (tbc)

Hubertus Bahr, Institut der deutschen Wirtschaft

Fichtner GmbH

Wilo SE

10:30 Coffee Break



11:00







#### Panel 2 Renewable energy and off-grid electricity supply in Bolivia

Juán Fernández, CEO Latam, safery Holding GmbH Dominik Hammer, Head of International Sales, SUNSET Energietechnik GmbH N.N., Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE) (tbc) Sunfarming (tbc)

12:30 Lunch

Panel 3 Innovations in mobility solutions

14:00

Heloisa Schneider, CEPAL (tbc)

Wolfgang Weidinger, CTO Eco Mondia Green Technology GmbH

GIZ Bolivien:EE & Mobility

IVU Traffic techn. (tbc)

15:15 Conclusions

16:00 Closing Reception