



## Session 2

Identification of fields where independent additional provision of knowledge provides an added value – challenges and special needs of MENA

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## **Socio- economic development in the era of renewable energies:**

- Measure/evaluation of innovative (sustainable) technologies
- Education and training activities
- Occupational perspectives
- Economic benefit (today and in future)
- Social and sociological implications

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# Participants

## Open discussion – collection of statements

- Mr. Bernhard BRAND
- Mr. Jonas ZINGERLE
- Dr. Yasser HEGAZI
- Prof. Michael DÜREN (Nagi Siam)
- Open discussion **with all participants**

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