

Centre National pour la Recherche Scientifique et Technique
(CNRST) – Maroc

Université de Nouakchott
Faculté des Sciences et Technologies – Mauritanie
Sahara Wind Energy Development Company

NATO ‘Science for Peace’
SfP-982620

**Sahara Trade Winds to Hydrogen: Applied
Research for Sustainable Energy Systems**

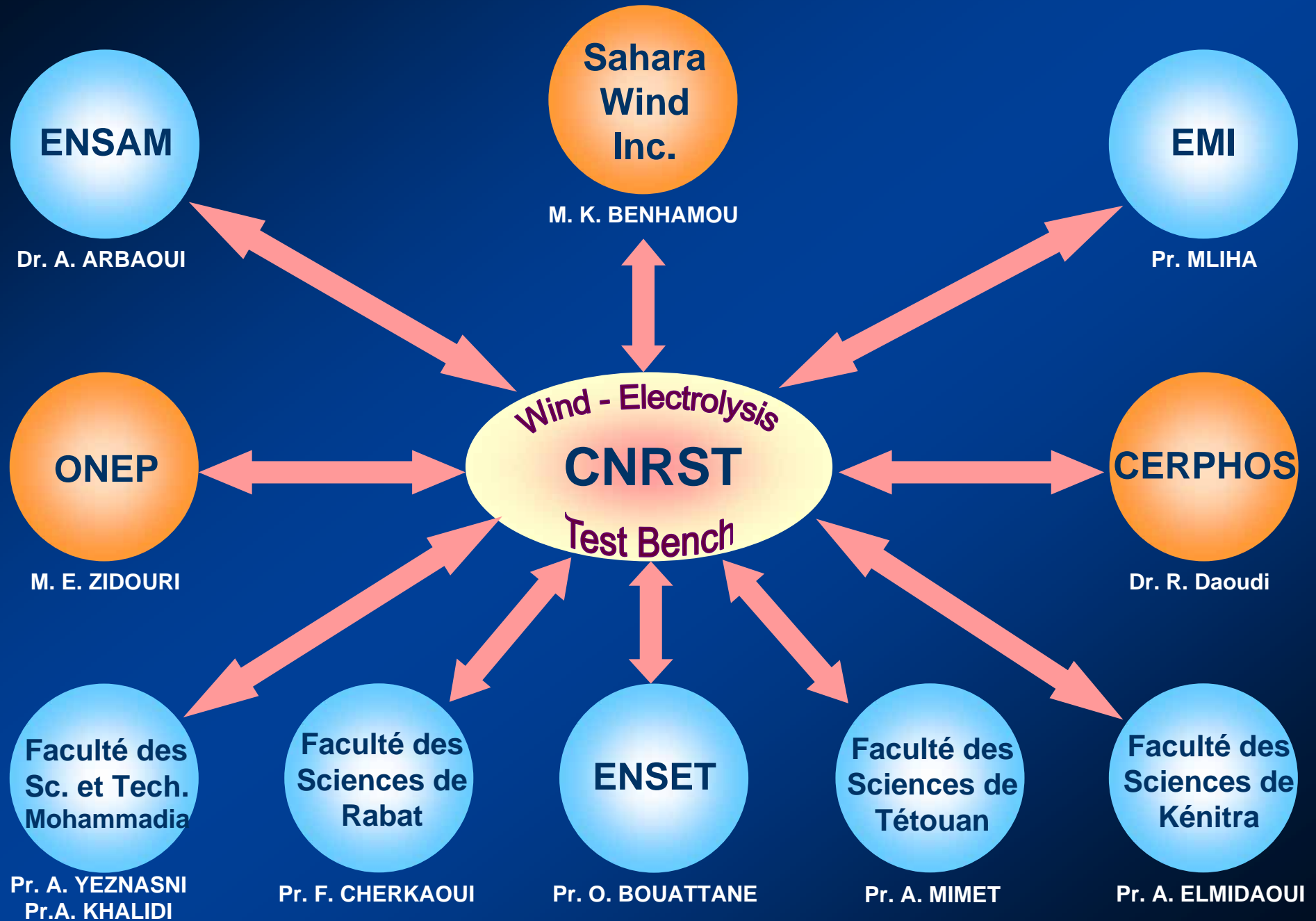
Driss Zejli - (Morocco)
Sidi Mohamed Ould Mustapha – (Mauritania)
Khalid Benhamou - PPD (Morocco)



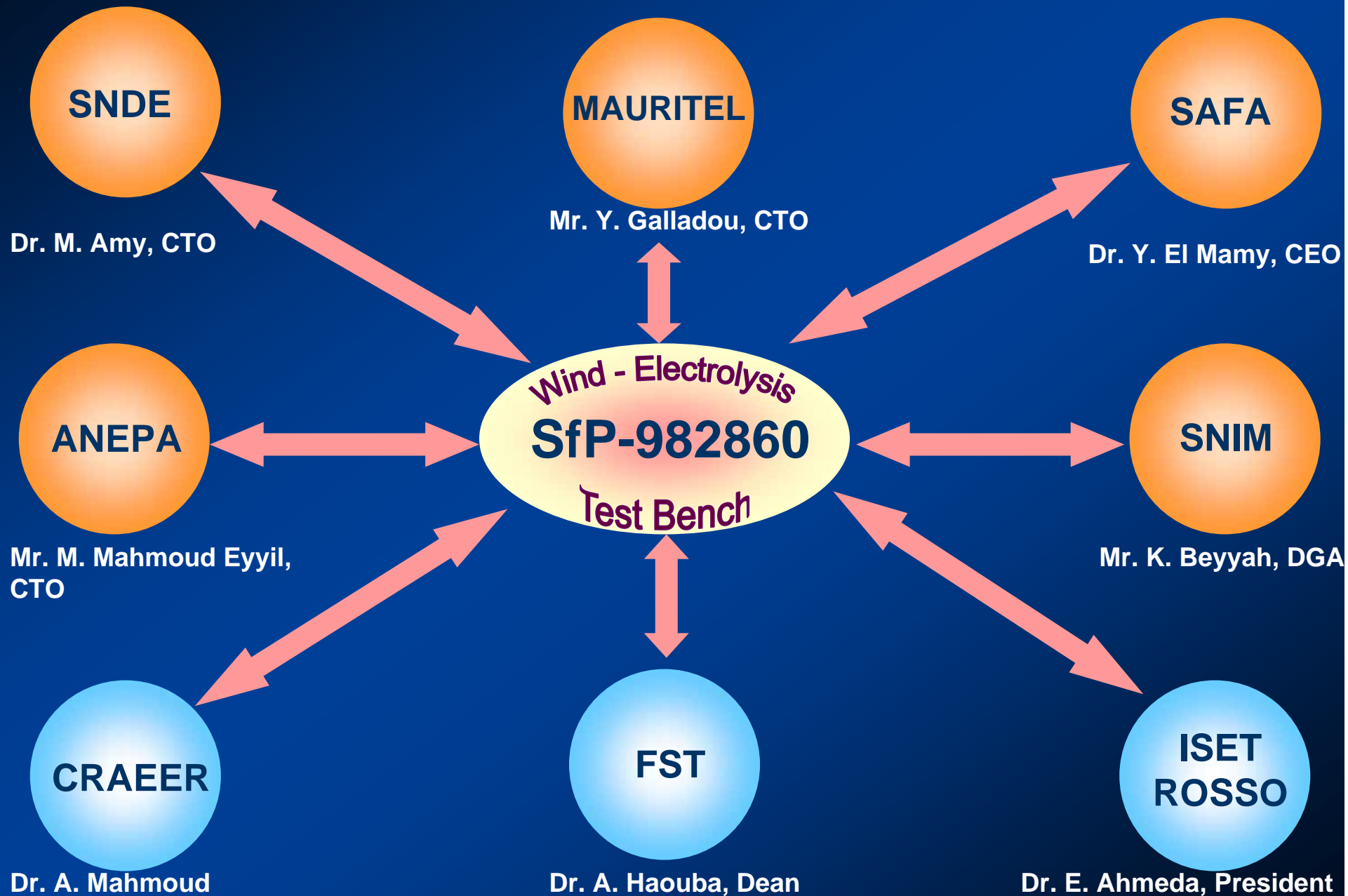
How will the science/research teams in Morocco and Mauritania work?

- Students Exchange / Expertise with institutions in Morocco and Mauritania
- Joint selection of research topics, teams with joint publication of findings
- Morocco & Mauritania End User collaboration OCP/ONEP/MAROC TELECOM with SNIM/SNDE/MAURITEL through academia/SfP-982620 project.
- Academia & End User Cross fertilization experiences and Joint Co-development work on Electrolyzer prototypes, Hydrogen, Oxygen, and other electrolysis by-products storage, handling, integration/utilizations.
- By research themes:
 - Morocco more focused on synergies industrial/chemical integration
 - Mauritania more focused on energy access, remote decentralized applications
 - Cross fertilization and synergies between group's competence
- By leveraging resources, research frameworks/programs and facilities
- Coordination with NATO SfP-982620 Co-Directors

SfP-982620 R&D Project Network (Morocco)



SfP-982620 R&D Project Network (Mauritania)



Equipment Selection Issues

Electrolyzer technologies:

- Atmospheric Electrolyzer

H₂ & O₂ outputs needs pressurization (high costs, low overall energy efficiency)

- Alkaline Electrolyzer

Low costs, lower purity of H₂ & O₂, low pressure outputs (unless large ones)

- Aqueous Alkali (Membrane) Electrolyzer

Produces H₂, Chlorine and Caustic, pressurized output (hard to downscale)

- PEM (Membrane) Electrolyzer

Produces H₂ & O₂ High purity, pressurized output

Drawbacks: Very High costs, no by-products handling, 'black box' concept

Co-development framework with equipment manufacturer sought to access prototypes/ technology under IPR transfer agreement.

Storage Technical Issues

Storage H₂ & O₂ :

High pressure: H₂ & O₂ needs boosting (high equipment costs + energy)

Low pressure: H₂ & O₂ storage needs large container volumes

New Prototypes have median pressure of 30 bars (ideal for streamlined processes)

Filtration H₂ & O₂ (Safe Storage & Fuel Cell):

Membrane processes (integrated to research team)

Other processes

NATO SfP-982620 PROJECT REPORTING

Reporting on scientific progress and on administrative and financial matters of the Project is required by the SfP Programme Office twice per year in the form of a Progress Report.

Further payments through NATO funds will depend on the timely submission of a satisfactory report. Such six-monthly Progress Reports give the Project Co-Directors also the opportunity to evaluate the status of his/her contribution to the Project and to evaluate progress of the Project as a whole.

Reports are also essential for effective communication with all groups and individuals who have an interest in the Project.

After the Project has been completed, the Project Co-Directors will prepare a detailed Final Report on the accomplishments.

NATO SfP-982620 PROJECT REPORTING

Progress Report received by the SfP Programme Office no later than 20 October and 20 April.

These dates coincide with NATO's allocation of funds for the next semester.

A Progress Report is made up of five chapters:

- a) Technical Progress;**
- b) Financial Status;**
- c) Equipment Inventory;**
- d) Criteria for Success Table;**
- e) Summary Report.**

The preparation of a complete Progress Report requires careful logistical planning. It is assumed that each Project Co-Director will prepare sufficiently in time his/her contribution to each of the above mentioned chapters.

It will be the responsibility of the PPD and the NPD to merge these contributions and send a complete and coherent Progress Report to the Programme Office by the due date.



NATO SfP-982620 PROJECT REPORTING

The six-monthly Progress Report is both a management report and a technical report. It is not a detailed elaboration of the technical and scientific findings. The report should thus focus on actual tasks and activities that have been carried out, rather than on scientific details.

The Progress Report should be written so that it can be read as a free-standing self-explanatory documents, and should not contain references to previous reports unless a summary of the subject, to which reference was made, is given.