

Meet Mr. Adlan Ahmad, Head of Hydrogen Unit Gas & New Energy PETRONAS

In our efforts to diversify Chile's energy sources, the Ministry of Energy launched a National Green Hydrogen Strategy, which first stage consists in attracting foreign investment to develop new Green Hydrogen projects in Chile. ProChile Malaysia has played a key role in connecting PETRONAS' interest to invest, with local Chilean companies to discuss a collaboration. Petronas is one of the biggest energy companies in the region and we interviewed Mr. Adlan Ahmad, Head of Hydrogen Unit Gas & New Energy PETRONAS, to know more about his vision.

Q. What are your thoughts on Chile's potential in Green Energies? Has ProChile provided you the support and platform to discover more about Chile and it's efforts into Green Energies?

PETRONAS Hydrogen is of the opinion that Chile has huge potential in Green Energy, covering both for domestic use and international export. We have received support from ProChile in connecting with relevant companies, propelling our interest further in potential investments in Chile. In addition, knowing our position, they have also recommended other companies which are a good fit to our position.

Q. Due to geographical distances, Chile is a little-known destination for Malaysia, why is there an interest in exploring this market for a potential collaboration with Chilean companies?

While we develop the hydrogen economy in Malaysia, we too are looking to expand our supply nodes to serve additional and new markets for low-carbon hydrogen. Chile's aspiration to be the world's most competitive producer of green hydrogen backed by available funding have drawn global interest. We believe this signals a stronger political will to support clean energy, which is a one of the key drivers in building and accelerating demand for low carbon hydrogen.

Q. What factor have made Chile attractive to Petronas in the Green hydrogen

Strong national ambitions coupled with Chile's wealth of low-cost clean energies from renewable resources provides an opportunity to produce cost competitive low carbon hydrogen in Latin America. As transportation of hydrogen is being advance, Chile offers a geographical advantage to potential markets in the region.

Q. What would you highlight within your experience of the exploration to enter into a Latin American country for green energy?

Through ProChile, ample support is given to access Chilean companies. The team at ProChile is very efficient and professional and able to bridge business together.