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October Panorama

Welcome to the October installment of Energy Panorama. It has been a busy and productive month.

Last week, we welcomed many of you to our gorgeous Pacific home for the XXXIV La Jolla Energy Conference from October 21-23. The La Jolla Energy Conference Community is strong!

While we finalize the summary report and highlight video, explore the conference photo gallery and each of our daily posts on **LinkedIn** by clicking on the images »

In addition, we invite you to check out this year's Curtain Raiser Interview framing much of our *Mining, Minerals, and Industrialization* panel.

As is our hallmark, **LJC25 brought together leaders from government, industry, and academia to debate and explore in a high-level yet casual setting the pressing energy challenges and opportunities in the Americas.** Highlights included our kick-off session devoted to Women in Energy and Workforce Development, showcasing leadership, diversity, and talent strategies; in-depth discussions on geopolitics, energy security, and AI, highlighting the U.S.-China "Great Game," the evolving energy trilemma, and implications for COP30 in Brazil; and spotlight sessions and country deep dives into the Caribbean Basin, Colombia, Peru, Mexico, and Brazil, covering critical minerals, renewable expansion, natural gas and LNG as "solution" fuels, and balancing environmental priorities with hydrocarbon development.

For the second year in row, we were very pleased to have **graduate students from UC San Diego's School of Global Policy and Strategy (GPS) play an active role as co-moderators, working alongside industry leaders to enrich the conversation**. This is part of our Future Energy Leaders Initiative and what we call "La Jolla's Got Talent."

Building Regional Momentum for Energy Dialogue and Action

Strategic discussions and planning at our Steering Committee breakfast meeting point toward an active calendar of activities in the coming months. Indeed, as Halloween arrives in the US and the calendar turns to November we are finalizing plans for a webinar focused on **unpacking the new reglamentos in Mexico, as well as our annual Argentina Energy Roundtable in Buenos Aires** in collaboration with our partners and colleagues at CEARE and UBA.

We will also begin to define next steps for our **Data Centers & Energía series with Queretaro, Mexico and Colombia** as possible locations. These events will build upon the success of our first-ever forum in Santiago, Chile last August.

Finally, mark your calendars for the next edition of the **Madrid Energy Conference on April 27-29, 2026.**

Opinion & Analysis

- Our Non-Resident Fellow, Chris Sladen, published an essay - "The long and winding road" based upon his panel opening remarks at LJC25 and the session dedicated to debating "The Pace of the Non-Linear Energy Transition."
- At the beginning of the month, Jeremy Martin and Paul Youngblood published an op-ed urging Mexico to once and for all tackle its natural gas flaring and venting challenge, with data to underscore the economic and environmental rationale – as well as important current North American geopolitics.

In the News

- Descarbonización y competitividad: las claves del debate global en La Jolla Energy Conference 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mexico Reglamentos Webinar

November 2025
Mexico City, Mexico

Annual Argentina Energy Roundtable

December 2025
Buenos Aires, Argentina

VII Madrid Energy Conference

April 27 - 29, 2026
Madrid, Spain

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