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## Era of growth approaches as Iran and Germany step up mutual cooperation

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NUMOV, the German Near and Middle East Association, held its annual conference on 5th April 2016 at its premises in the heart of Berlin. The NUMOV conference hosted a wide range of esteemed speakers, dignitaries and guests from both near and afar, welcomed warmly by President and CEO of SMS Group and new Chairman of NUMOV, Burkhard Dahmen, who introduced and moderated the event.

Burkhard Dahmen began by greeting all guests, especially those from Iran, headed by H.E. Mrs.

Marzieh Shahdaee, Deputy Minister of Oil of the Islamic Republic of Iran and President of the National Petrochemical Company of Iran (NPC), a country with which strong mutual ties are being renewed following the lifting of international sanctions in January. Commending the increase in bilateral communication, Burkhard Dahmen specified the oil and gas sector, finance and logistics as areas in which cooperation and growth opportunities clearly exist.

He continued by providing a brief overview of the role that NUMOV plays as a promoter of

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