

European Sustainable Energy Policy Seminar 2006

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8.30 Check-in starts

Chair 9.00 - 11.30: Marc Timmer, EUFORES

9.00 Welcome by organisers

9.10 Sustainable Energy Actions from the European Climate Change Programme (ECCP)

The ECCP review process was started in 2005 and will lead to a conclusion in April-May 2006.

The session will give an overview and ideas for new initiatives that should be included.

Speakers: Jane Amilhat, European Commission DG ENV; Matthias Duwe, Climate Action Network.

10.00 Biomass Actions

The new biomass action plan and the upcoming biofuels action plan must be followed by new initiatives. The session will include presentations proposing actions on EU and national levels.

Speakers: Peter Danielsson, EREF; Poul Hodson, European Commission DG TREN; Pete West, INFORSE-Europe.

11.00 R&D Priorities

With the EU budget approved, priorities of the 7th framework programme for research and development should be set. Which prioritise in sustainable energy?

Speaker: Marc Timmer, EUFORES.

11.30 Coffee

Chair 12 - 13.20: Prof. Thomas B. Johansson, IIIEE, Lund University

12.00 Security of Supply

With soaring oil prices and growing dependence of imported fuels, security of energy supply is high on the agenda. The new Green Paper on security of energy supply will be launched from the EU-DG TREN in 2006. What will it recommend? What alternatives do we have?

Speakers: Fabrizio Barbaso, Deputy Director General of DG TREN; Claude Turmes, EU Parliamentarian.

13.00 Energy Efficiency Initiative from EU Parliamentarians

Presentation of new initiative by EU Parliamentarian Claude Turmes.

13.20 Lunch

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Chair 14.30 - 17.30: Emil Bedi, INFORSE

14.30 Environmental Harmful Subsidies

Energy subsidies threaten our environment and hampers economic development. On the other hand, some subsidies are justified because of market failures.

The presentations give views on levels and trends in energy subsidies in EU countries and proposals to phase out the unjustified, harmful subsidies.

Speakers: Tim Rusche, European Commission, DG Tren; Dörte Fouquet, EREF; Antony Froggatt (consultant to the European Parliament).

15.30 Coffee

16.00 External Costs and their Potential Integration in Energy Costs

The environmental costs are increasingly documented.

The session will include views on the methodology, level of environmental costs, as well as their current and potential internalisation via taxes etc.

Speakers: Domenico Rossetti Valdalbero, Energy Programme, DG Research, European Commission; Dörte Fouquet, EREF.

17.00 Visions Compared

Comparing visions of sustainable energy development of INFORSE and EREC with recent scenarios of European Environmental Agency, and others. Crucial issues discussed include: how much biomass can we use sustainable and how fast can we introduce energy efficiency.

Speaker: Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe.

Organisers:

INFORSE-Europe: International Network for Sustainable Energy, <http://www.inforse.org/europe>

EREF: European Renewable Energies Federation, <http://www.eref-europe.org>

EUFORES: European Forum for Renewable Energy Sources, <http://www.eufores.org>

Venue: Venue: Rue Joseph II. 166, 1000 Brussels (beside the Berlaymont Building, Metro: Schuman, exit Charlemagne)

Costs: 60 EUR per person.

The number of participants is limited to 50 persons.

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