

# European Sustainable Energy Policy Seminar 2007

## March 20, 2007, Brussels

### **A one-day seminar by INFORSE-Europe, EREF, EUFORES on highlights in New EU Policies for Sustainable Energy and Climate Protection**

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9.00 Registration starts

9.15 Welcome by organisers

#### **9.30 A New European Energy Policy**

A session on EU new energy policies after the EU Summit March 8-9, - the effects for renewable energy and energy efficiency.

*Speakers:* MEP Claude Turmes (Greens);

MEP Britta Thomsen (socialist);

Hans van Steen, European Commission-DG TREN;

Dörte Fouquet, EREF.

*Chair:* Jan Geiss, EUFORES

11.00 Coffee

#### **11.30-12.30 Energy Efficiency Action Plans**

A session on implementation of the EU Action Plan on energy efficiency and the national energy action plans that all EU countries should finish in 2007.

*Speakers:* Ronald Bailey, European Commission - DG TREN, European Commission; Jan Geiss, EUFORES;

*Chair:* Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe

12.30 Lunch

#### **14.00 – 14.40 EU Guidelines on Env. State Aid**

The EU guidelines on environmental state aid are up for revision. What will the new guideline that will be introduced by the end of 2007 bring?

*Speakers:* Man. dir. Michael Thoene from FIFO Institute, Cologne, Germany; Dörte Fouquet, EREF.

(The FIFO Institute of the Cologne University is currently working on env. state aid for the German government)

*Chair:* Pete West, Severn Wye Energy Agency, UK

#### **14.40 – 15.30 Renewable Heating and Cooling**

A session on renewables for the heating and cooling sectors and the new/upcoming directive to promote it.

*Speakers:* Raffaele Piria, ESTIF (European Solar Thermal Industries Federation) policy director;

Tom Howes, European Commission, DG TREN;

Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe.

*Chair:* Pete West, Severn Wye Energy Agency, UK

15.30 Coffee

#### **16.00-17.00 EU Emissions Trading and Sustainable Energy**

The EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) is often presented as the most important part of EU's Climate policy; but how will it influence renewable energy and energy efficiency? An assessment by three stakeholders based in the ongoing first trading period and preparations for the second period.

*Speakers:* Piotr Tulej, Head of the Energy Unit, European Commission - DG Environment;

Dörte Fouquet, EREF; Matthias Duwe, Climate Action Network - Europe.

*Chair:* Rainer Hinrichs-Rahlwes, German BEE / EREF

#### **17.00 - 17.30 Visions for Sustainable Energy**

Short session on sustainable energy alternatives for Europe developed by INFORSE and others. Elements for fast transitions to sustainable energy.

*Speakers:* Gunnar Boye Olesen & Emil Bedi, INFORSE-Europe.

*Chair:* Rainer Hinrichs-Rahlwes, German BEE / EREF

#### **Organisers:**

**INFORSE-Europe:** International Network for Sustainable Energy, [www.inforse.org/europe](http://www.inforse.org/europe)

**EREF:** European Renewable Energies Federation, [www.eref-europe.org](http://www.eref-europe.org)

**EUFORES:** European Forum for Renewable Energy Sources, [www.eufores.org](http://www.eufores.org)

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