



Sustainable Energy Europe welcomes 13 new Official Partners: continuing the promotion of best energy solutions for a sustainable future

- Les Respirations enters Sustainable Energy Europe with a Promotional, Communication and Educational Action

The initiative "Aspire to a greener world today & inspire global solutions for tomorrow" is a project that aims at designing and promoting innovative policies and technologies for a sustainable future through an interactive website, conferences, forums and workshops. A final report entitled "Les Inspirations" collects the statements given by over 250 international experts and is published with the aim of raising awareness and facilitate discussions about the future of air and water quality and the proper use of natural resources. This project includes the organisation of the "Ox and H2O Awards" aiming at rewarding innovative technology and policy recommendations that contribute positively to air and water quality. For more information on this project please visit: www.lesrespirations.com

- The Energy Ambassadors Campaign: a pan European communication and educational action joins Europe's best energy solutions network

This project aims at fighting against fuel poverty and raising awareness on energy efficiency among people in economic difficulties in Europe while reducing CO2 emissions at the domestic level. One of the main instruments is to provide social workers with sustainable energy trainings in order to add the energy issue in their daily work and facilitate energy savings in poor households. This initiative is co-financed by the SAVE programme and coordinated by Prioriterre, a French NGO leading a group of energy agencies and public authorities from Spain, Sweden, Greece, Bulgaria, Denmark, Italy and the UK. For more information please visit: www.energyambassadors.eu

- The Picture Book: an educational action from the North-West Croatia Regional Energy Agency joins Sustainable Energy Europe

Educational initiative targeting children and adults in Croatia to develop an active attitude towards energy consumption and environment protection. The "Picture Book: Tell me about renewable energy sources!" educates children in an easy and interesting way through pictures and appropriate topic according to their age. Cities and municipalities in the region participate on a voluntary basis. Until today more than 9000 copies have been printed and disseminated. For more information please visit: www.regea.org

- LG Action: a project coordinated by ICLEI - Local Governments for Sustainability enters the Campaign as Official Partner in the area Sustainable Energy Communities

The Campaign Associate ICLEI is the coordinator of this "Networking action to involve Local Governments in the EU and international energy and climate debate". The LG Action project is co-financed by Intelligent Energy-Europe and aims at boosting the direct involvement of Local Governments in reaching the 2020 EU energy targets and increase their role as central players in the fight against climate change. The specific actions foreseen are to provide information, mobilisation, support positioning, advocacy, the

organisation of conferences and the dissemination of communication materials, including the design and promotion of a large website. For more information please visit: www.lg-action.eu

- Renewable Energy Promotion Tour: From Giessen to Agadir with a vegetable oil driven motorcycle. Promotional action by Arno Deuker joins Sustainable Energy Europe

This initiative aims at promoting renewable energies and in particular sustainable modes of transport, by travelling from Germany to Agadir to a scientific conference using a vegetable oil driven motorcycle and visiting organizations which develop sustainable energy projects. This original project is a clear example of how commitment and actions of individual citizens can play an important role in the promotion of sustainable energy solutions. Eurosolar, Movegreen Platform, Duncan and GreenBull are cooperating in this sustainable venture. For more information please visit: www.green-ideas.eu

- The European Re-"Building" Forum: a project managed by EPE - European Partners for the Environment, recognised as Official Partner in the area Promotional Communication and Educational actions

The European Re-"Building" Forum intends to assist Member States in the implementation of the Recast of Buildings Directive, the formulation of National Energy Efficiency Action Plans for buildings and the development of a scale effect to reach the 2020 objectives. It will involve 100 stakeholders with a target audience of approximately 10.000 professionals in the whole EU. The Forum aims at accelerating a change in upgrading the existing EU building stock to best energy performance standards in accordance with the EU energy policy targets. European Partners for the Environment is a Campaign Associate. For more information on this project please visit : www.epe.be

- HERPAIN-URBIS joins Sustainable Energy Europe with two exemplary buildings, both recognised as Official Partners in the Demonstration and Dissemination category

Solaris is an exemplary building of 13,700m² which has been recently constructed in Brussels. Its specificities make him the greenest building in Brussels with an extensive use of renewable energy (photovoltaic and geothermal) and energy efficiency measures. It has received the Eco-building Award 2009 of the "Prix belge de l'Énergie et de l'Environnement". Solaris has been submitted to Valideo Sustainable Construction referential and obtained a score of 78%. Please visit www.solaris.be for more information on this green construction.

Regeneris is a building of approximately 21,000 m² which refurbishment will be carried out to ensure a low environmental footprint through a high-performance envelope and energy saving technologies. Regeneris will be submitted to Valideo Sustainable Construction referential. The energy performance level (E) is 70 with a thermal insulation level (K) of 31. For more information on this green building please visit: <http://www.herpain-urbis.be>

Both projects are part of Herpain Urbis voluntary approach to develop a new generation of buildings responsible with the environmental and with a high social and economic added value.

- Sustainable Energy Europe welcomes the INTENSE Project as Official Partner in the category Promotional, Communication and Educational actions

INTENSE stands for "Intelligent Energy Saving Measures for Municipal housing in Central and Eastern European Countries". The INTENSE project is co-financed by Intelligent

Energy-Europe and is being implemented in 12 countries (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Germany, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Romania, Croatia, Czech Republic and Hungary) by 28 partners, the general goal being energy optimized housing. The project comprises an analysis of legal preconditions, experience exchange on best practice examples, development and implementation of training programmes, pilot planning activities at partner municipalities and public raising awareness actions. The INTENSE project is coordinated by the Baltic Environmental Forum Latvia, a Campaign Associate. For more information on this project please visit: <http://www.intense-energy.eu/>

- The District of Tomorrow: a Sustainable Energy Community project from the ZUYD Polytechnic University (NL) enters Europe's best energy solutions network

This project, from ZUYD Polytechnic University (NL), aims at raising awareness amongst students on eco-design for buildings, the ultimate goal being the construction of a neutral emission site. Students design a 0-energy building for their graduation and these are build in a green site called the "District of Tomorrow". The projects are used to train students and disseminate knowledge to market parties, in order to speed up implementation and provide the market with the latest innovative products. Only electric cars are allowed, and a charging station has been built. The project is in Heerlen, near the German border. As of 2010, Universities from Aachen, Germany and Liege will join the programme. For more information on this project please visit: www.dewijkvanmorgen.nl

- Climate Change and Consumer Co-operatives: Taking the Challenge Forward. New Official Partner in the category Sustainable Energy Communities

This project aims at showing European Consumer Co-operatives strenght and capacity of action in effectively countering climate change effects. EUROCOOP is coordinating this project and has also defined the objectives, areas and actions that consumer co-operatives will voluntarily commit to and implement. Specific actions will be taken at local/regional/national level in the foollowing fields:

- sustainable production and consumption
- waste prevention and treatment
- sustainable transportation
- education/training/information
- eco-efficiency in buildings
- public-private partnerships
- developmnet of renewable energies

For more information on this project please visit:
<http://www.eurocoop.coop/change/en/default.asp>

- STREAM MAP: a new project from the European Small Hydropower Association (ESHA) recognised as Official Partner in the area: Promotional, Communication and Educational Actions

The objective of this initiative, co-financed by the Intelligent Energy-Europe programme, is to promote the inclusion of small hydropower (SHP) within the 20% use of RES by 2020 and boost the overall development of this sector. The project will create a Roadmap for the future of the SHP sector including a central database which will compile the relevant information on Hydropower for the EU-27 as from 2007 on an annual basis. Deliverables will include: an analysis of the current status of the sector, dissemination of results, drawing recommendations, regular advice and information at local and national

level, 10 workshops and 2 international conferences. ESHA is a Campaign Associate. For more information on this project please visit: www.streammap.esha.be

- POWER HOUSE EUROPE: The big green housing and energy exchange. New Official Partner in the category Sustainable Energy Communities

The project is designed to function as a catalyst to trigger action to achieve maximum potential energy saving in the residential sector by mainstreaming existing know-how required to refurbish and build housing with optimal energy consumption levels. The starting point is the output and tools of the 20 projects already supported by the Intelligent Energy-Europe programme under the Vertical Key Action "Retrofitting of Social Housing". The POWER HOUSE EUROPE project will maximize the impact of these projects with active hands-on dissemination and knowledge exchange campaigns at national level to boost the introduction of optimal intelligent-energy practices at all operational levels of social housing organisations. This project is coordinated by CECODHAS - The European Liaison Committee for Social Housing, a Campaign Associate. For more information on this project please visit: <http://www.cecodhas.org/content/view/263/206/1/4/>

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