



ENERGY EFFICIENCY, ENERGY SECURITY, RENEWABLE ENERGY: TAKING FORWARD THE GLENEAGLES DIALOGUE AND THE G8 ST PETERSBURG CONCLUSIONS

Monday 24 – Friday 28 July 2006

WILTON PARK CONFERENCE S06/18

in co-operation with the

**Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA)
Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP)
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The Issues

In a time of higher oil prices and constantly rising concern about climate change and climate variability, can energy efficiency and alternative energy sources be developed significantly? How can the momentum of the Gleneagles Dialogue be continued? What funding mechanisms are available to increase access to energy and energy efficiency? How can specialist areas such as buildings best be addressed? How can technology transfer and appropriate technologies be encouraged? What “carry over” is there from the UK G8 Presidency and the Russian Presidency with its emphasis on energy security?

Aims

The conference aims to stimulate proposals which convince on their merits. The approach is that of the communication of best practice, identification of issues to address and possible solutions.

- To fuel the Dialogue and take forward the conclusions the Russian G8 presidency (committed to energy security);
- Helping to embed climate change, renewable energy and energy efficiency into the G8 Dialogue Process;
- To assess the results of the UN Commission for Sustainable Development (CSD 14)
- To identify business opportunities on these issues.

Methods of achieving aims

- By attracting participation of a representative and influential cross-section of the various stakeholders (business, policymakers from primarily the G8 + countries - G8 + 5 (Brazil, China, India, Mexico, South Africa) + Australia, Indonesia, Nigeria, Poland and Spain) and representatives of key LDC countries, representatives from the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership - REEEP network), and creating a forum for frank and confidential discussion;
- By identifying scope for common action;
- By identifying through a pooling of ideas and experience the key challenges (transformation of policies and regulations) and the most realistic ways of dealing with them;
- By fostering and creating personal contacts which can prove important for taking forward future collective action.

Proposed session themes (to include many of the following issues):

- Technological advances
- Impacts of technology
- Market mechanisms
- Adaptation
- Policies and regulation
- Energy efficiency – impact of regulation and best practice
- Energy efficiency – international standards and design of appliances
- Energy efficiency – energy efficiency for industry in the South
- Role of renewables and CHP (combined heat and power)
- Impact of international law
- Financing energy efficiency and renewable energy
- The Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Partnership (REEEP) achievements, current activities and future plans
- The private sector, energy efficiency and renewables
- Technology transfer (North-South and South-South)

Profile of participants

Maximum of 70 participants – participation at the conference will be by **invitation, nomination and open application**. Applications are particularly sought from the following categories.

- From 20 key countries – e.g. senior representatives of Energy Ministry and/or Environment Ministry;
- Key participants from REEEP network;
- Specialists from international/intergovernmental agencies (IFI's – World Bank, IMF, International Energy Agency, EU etc);
- Civil servants and analysts working on these issues;
- Companies with significant investment in renewables and energy efficiency;
- International experts, technical advisors and specialists;
- NGOs with interest and experience in the field;
- Academics and journalists.

Language: The conference will be in English only – no interpretation.

Please contact us as soon as possible – we are expecting a high demand for places. Please use the contact details for the conference administrator (below) to obtain a registration pack.

This conference is open to those with expertise to share or an interest in the theme; our aim is to have a broad spread of nationalities and institutions represented. The contribution to costs, normally £1,300, covers all accommodation and meals, attendance at all sessions, and transport from and to Gatwick airport at the beginning and end of the conference. Special rates may be available for those from non-OECD countries, Central, and SE Europe, and also academics and NGO representatives.

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