

Europe



Intelligent Energy

# EUROPEAN INFO DAY 2008

Brussels, 31 January 2008



## Funding your intelligent energy projects



## Welcome to the European Info Day 2008!

### Intelligent Energy – Europe: the power to innovate

There are many untapped opportunities to save energy and encourage the use of renewable energy sources in Europe, but market conditions are not always helping. The Intelligent Energy - Europe (IEE) programme is the EU's tool for funding action to improve these conditions and move us towards a more energy intelligent Europe.

To date, 400+ European projects, 60 local/regional energy agencies and 60

large-scale events have been supported by the programme.

The IEE programme is a part of the €3.6 billion Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme, which will run from 2007 to 2013.

Altogether, €730 million are available to fund projects for the promotion of energy efficiency and renewable energy.

### The 2008 call for proposals: up to 75% funding for your intelligent energy projects

The 2008 call for proposals will be published in late February 2008.

Some € 50 million will be available to co-finance projects for the promotion of energy efficiency and renewables, and the

setting up of local or regional energy agencies.

Successful applicants can expect to receive financial support covering up to 75% of the eligible costs.



### The European Info Day: essential information and a platform for exchange

Applying for Intelligent Energy - Europe funding is a competitive process, and only the best project proposals will be selected for funding. The European Info Day 2008 will give you essential information and

advice on how to develop a good project proposal and apply successfully. It also offers the chance to find project partners from across Europe.

#### Who should attend?

Anyone who wants to set up a project and apply for funding. More than 400 participants are expected, including local, regional and national authorities, private companies, European and national trade associations, non-governmental organisations, European institutions, current IEE project partners, and future applicants.

#### You cannot attend the European Info Day?

The Info Day will be broadcast live on the internet on [www.managenergy.tv](http://www.managenergy.tv), the ManagEnergy Internet Broadcast Service.

Video recordings with sound and integrated slide presentations will be made available online after the event.

ManagEnergy offers also an Internet-based Partner Search service on <http://www.managenergy.net/partners.html>.

Finally, a series of National Info Days will be organised in different countries. You can find more details on the IEE website.





## Programme

8:30 – 9:00	<b>Arrival and coffee</b>
9:00 – 9:10	<b>Opening</b> Patrick Lambert, Director, EACI
9:10 – 9:30	Keynote speech <b>An energy-intelligent Europe - just a dream?</b> Mechtild Rothe, Member of the European Parliament
9:30 – 9:50	<b>The Intelligent Energy – Europe programme: the basics</b> Patrick Lambert, Director, EACI
9:50 – 10:30	<b>The Intelligent Energy – Europe programme: funding areas 2008</b> William Gillett and Waltraud Schmid, EACI
10:30 - 11:00	<b>Coffee break</b>
11:00 – 11:40	<b>Intelligent Energy – Europe projects: four examples</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>European cities promote cycling</b> Video presentation</li> <li>• <b>The SERENADE project</b> Catrin Maby, Severn Wye Energy Agency, UK</li> <li>• <b>The BIOMASSTRADECENTRES project</b> Valter Francescato, Associazione Italiana Energie AgroForestali (AIEL), Italy</li> <li>• <b>Fuelling the future - Promoting biomass heating in the EU</b> Video presentation</li> </ul>
11:40 – 12:10	<b>Applying for Intelligent Energy – Europe funding: how does it work?</b> William Gillett, Waltraud Schmid and Peter Löffler, EACI
12:10 – 12:40	<b>Time for your questions</b> Speakers panel
12:40 – 12:50	<b>Eco-innovation: the 2008 call</b> Astrid Wilhelm, EACI
12:45	<b>Close and lunch</b>



## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### Getting there

The IEE European Info Day 2008 takes place in the Charlemagne Building of the European Commission, Rue de la Loi 170, Brussels.

- From the Airport: A convenient and cheap way of getting to the venue is to take the N° 12 'Airport Express' Bus. Get off at 'Schuman'.  
Alternatively you can take the train to Brussels, where you have to get off at 'Gare Central' to take the Metro to 'Schuman'.  
Finally, you can take a taxi. Yet, this costs approximately €25 one way.
- By Metro: Take Line 1A or 1B and get off at 'Schuman'
- By regional train: The train station 'Schuman' is close to the venue.
- By local bus: Lines 11, 21, 28, 36 (Stop 'Schuman')

Local area map: <http://ec.europa.eu/oib/pdf/34-belliard.pdf>

Brussels local transport plan: <http://www.stib.be/netplan-plan-reseau.html?l=fr>

### Costs

Participation at this event is free of charge. The organiser cannot cover your travel costs.

### Languages

The conference language is English.

### Website and programme

The latest programme of the European Info Day 2008 is available on [http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/events/infodays\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/events/infodays_en.htm).

### Registration

For security reasons you must register in advance to be able to attend this event. Registration is only possible on-line on the webpage of the EU Sustainable Energy Week. There are two steps:

- 1) Create an account on <http://www.eusew.eu/page.cfm?page=registration>. You will be asked for your ID Card / Passport Number and to create a password of your choice. You should only need to do this once.
- 2) Go to <http://www.eusew.eu/page.cfm?page=events&selEvent=81> and register for the European Info Day 2008.

Your account also allows you to register for most other events that take place during the EU Sustainable Energy Week.

### Accommodation

You will need to make your own arrangements. Lists of hotels in Brussels are provided e.g. on [www.brusselsinternational.be](http://www.brusselsinternational.be), [www.brusselstourism.com](http://www.brusselstourism.com), or [www.visitbelgium.com](http://www.visitbelgium.com). We advise you to book your hotel early!

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