

Europe



Intelligent Energy

"The power to innovate" - European Info Day 2007 – Brussels, 19 April 2007

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European Info Day 2007
on the
Intelligent Energy – Europe
programme



Welcome to the European Info Day 2007!

Intelligent Energy – Europe II: 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 helping.

To date, **340 international projects, 60 local/regional energy agencies and 60 large-scale events** have been supported by the European Union's Intelligent Energy – Europe (IEE) programme, creating better conditions for a more energy intelligent future.

A new IEE II programme started this year as part of the €3.6 billion Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme, which will run **from 2007 to 2013**.

Altogether, **€730 million** will be available to fund projects for the promotion of energy efficiency and renewable energy, a significant increase on previous years.

The 2007 call for proposals: up to 75% funding for your intelligent energy projects

The 2007 call for proposals - the first call under the new IEE II programme - will be published in **April 2007**. The deadline to submit funding applications will be **28 September 2007**.

Some **€ 55 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

The IEE European Info Day (Brussels, 19 April 2007) will present ongoing projects and first results, give you information and advice on how to apply for IEE II funding, explain the policy context, and outline the lessons learnt.

You will have the opportunity to meet and network with colleagues from across Europe, to learn from successful IEE projects, and to obtain information on additional EU programmes and initiatives.

Some **600 participants** working in the energy efficiency and renewables fields are expected, including representatives of local, regional and national authorities, European and national trade associations, non-governmental organisations, the European Commission the European Parliament, private companies, partners of ongoing IEE projects and future applicants.



You cannot attend the European Info Day?

The morning session will be **broadcast live on the internet** on by the ManagEnergy Internet Broadcast Service (www.managenergy.tv).

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.

For proposers under the 2006 call: Contract Negotiation Day

Just after the Info Day, on Friday 20 April 2007, the Intelligent Energy Executive Agency (IEEA) will organise a half-day "contract negotiation day" in Brussels. Organised for the successful applicants under the 2006 call for proposals, it will strengthen their role in the ongoing contract negotiation process and provide an opportunity to meet with their IEEA counterparts.

This "contract negotiation day" will take place in the European Commission's Madou building during the morning of 20 April 2007.

If you are a partner in a proposal make a note in your diary and consider arranging for a stay in Brussels until 20 April. Those who cannot attend will be able to watch the event live on the www.managenergy.tv.

The IEEA will inform all applicants of the 2006 call in late March/early April 2007 whether their proposal was successful.

Preliminary programme

9:00 – 9:30	Arrival, registration, coffee			
9:30-9:50	An energy intelligent Europe – just a dream? <i>Speaker to be confirmed</i>			
9:50-10:10	Intelligent Energy - Europe: the power to innovate <i>Patrick Lambert, Director, IEEA</i>			
10:10-11:00	IEE projects: paving the way for intelligent energy <i>IEE project co-ordinators & video presentation</i>			
11:00-11:30	Coffee break & collection of questions			
11:30-12:30	Applying for IEE II funding: the nuts and bolts <i>William Gillett, Vincent Berrutto, Heads of Unit, IEEA</i>			
12:30-13:00	Questions & answers			
13:00-14:30	Lunch break – walking buffet			
14:30-17:30	Energy efficiency	Renewable energy sources	Energy-intelligent transport	Local actions
	<p>In the afternoon, you have the choice between these 4 workshops, each related to a main area of the programme. They provide you with</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • details on specific priorities and particular requirements; • a survey of ongoing projects – important to build on previous work in the field; • real-life project stories; • sufficient time for your questions and answers; • opportunities to find partners for your project. 			

Exhibition



Please visit the stand with information material on the Intelligent Energy – Europe programme in front of the plenary meeting room.

In addition, stands with information material on the following EU services and programmes will be provided (tbc):

European Commission DG TREN, CONCERTO, ManagEnergy, Sustainable Energy Europe Campaign, CIVITAS, Marco Polo, Eco-innovation, LIFE, European Business Support Networks.



Practical information

Websites

European Info Day 2007:

http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/events/infodays_en.htm

Life internet broadcast of the Info Day morning session:

www.managenergy.tv

Registration

For security reasons you **must** register in advance to be able to attend this event.

Deadline for registration: 15 April 2007.

The **registration form** will become available from Friday 23 March 2007 on

http://ec.europa.eu/energy/intelligent/events/infodays_en.htm.

Venue and how to get there

"The power to innovate" takes place in the **Charlemagne Building of the European Commission**, Rue de la Loi 170, Brussels.

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

Transport:

- 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')

Brussels local transport plan: <http://www.stib.irisnet.be/FR/34000F.htm>

(click on the area 'Schuman/Luxembourg' in the centre of the plan)

Costs

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

Languages

Presentations will be given in **English**. There will be **simultaneous translation** from and to French, German, Italian, Polish and Spanish.

Accommodation

A special **hotel booking service** for the Info Day will be provided on the online registration form.

If you prefer to make your own arrangements: lists of Brussels hotels are provided e.g. on www.brussels-online.be or www.brussels-hotels.com.

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