

AFRETEP Project Newsletter of the 21st September 2011

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AFRETEP Project:

Atelier du Projet AFRETEP pour la Région Afrique de l'Ouest

Le Centre Commun de Recherche de la Commission Européenne recherche des candidats pour participer à l'atelier de formation sur l'application de l'énergie renouvelable à l'électrification rurale.

L'initiative est financée par *EuropeAid Development and Cooperation*, Direction Générale de la Commission Européenne.

L'atelier de la Région Afrique de l'Ouest aura lieu à Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso), du 7 au 11 novembre 2011, à la Fondation 2iE. La langue officiel du cours est le français, la traduction de/ vers l'anglais sera fournie.

Veuillez trouver, ci-joint, l'appel à candidature.

16/09/2011

AFRETEP Project:

Western Africa Region AFRETEP project workshop

The Joint Research Center of the European Commission is seeking candidate trainees for the Western Africa Region workshop on the application of the renewable energy to rural electrification.

The Western Africa Region workshop will take place in Ouagadougou (Burkina Faso), from November the 7th to 11th, 2011, at the 2iE Foundation. The working language are French and English (translation will be provided).

Please, find attached open call.

20/09/2011

AFRETEP Project:

Eastern Africa Region AFRETEP project workshop

Due to administrative reasons, the expected 15 to 19 August Eastern Africa Region AFRETEP project workshop has been postponed.

The workshop will take place in Kampala (Uganda), from the 3rd to 7th October 2011, at the Centre for Research in Energy and Energy Conservation (CREEC) of Makerere University.

Trainees selection procedure is closed.

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CPS Today of London:

Utility Scale PV growth takes centre stage in the US

Two weeks ago the American solar company Solyndra declared bankruptcy, with the subsequent FBI investigation into their misuse of federal loans clearly damaging the image of photovoltaic manufacturing in the USA. However, despite the immediate publicity surrounding this scandal it is hard to agree that the bankruptcy of Solyndra will overshadow the growing utility-scale PV market in the United States ... *read more*.

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CPS Today of London:

Independence day for thin film: can it support itself without subsidies?

Although the case of Solyndra is being held up against the thin film industry, the DOE have continued to demonstrate their confidence in the technology. In August this year a \$197 million loan guarantee was granted to SoloPower for a manufacturing facility that U.S. Energy Secretary Steven Chu announced would create around 450 permanent jobs and 270 construction jobs ... *read more*.

12/09/2011

CPS Today of London:

CSP industry experts gather in Johannesburg on 7-8 February 2012

Following the qualification bid announcements due to take place by NERSA and the Department of Energy in South Africa later this year, CSP Today have launched the 1st Concentrated Solar Thermal Power Conference and Exhibition taking place on 7-8 February in Johannesburg ... *read more*.

09/09/2011

CPS Today of London:

The prospect for CSP in the Spanish market – boom or bust?

Hopes are high for CSP in Spain. The **CSP Markets Report 2011-2012** describes in detail how the Ministry of Industry has granted permission for the construction of 61 plants in 11 provinces, mainly in the south. 21 are currently operational with an installed capacity of 852.4MW, with 40 further plants under construction, pre-assigned and pending construction. When all plants have entered service in 2014, the country will have 2525.3MW CSP capacity ... *read more*.

08/09/2011

CPS Today of London:

Evolution and new opportunities for CSP

As the world re-defines its energy generation mix, CSP could provide 11.3% of global electricity by 2050. But the next two years are critical if market volume is to reach €23 bn in 2020 as predicted, and if the 89 planned plants in 16 countries are to achieve their multi-GW capacity ... *read more*.

02/09/2011

CPS Today of London:

Present and future: cost reduction and new opportunities now central to thin film

The US market for thin film has shown great promise, thanks to a competitive LCOE, cost reduction and efficiency increase potential and the ability to cater for a rising demand for renewables ... *read more*.

31/08/2011

CPS Today of London:

Cost Effective PV Operations and Maintenance Strategies

London, 30 Aug 2011, PV Insider

With an industry growing at such a rate it becomes a concern to protect the PV investments and ensure they continue to perform over their 20 year life span. This is even more evident in the utility scale solar market, as developers face more pressure to delivering projected output as part of their Power Purchase Agreements. In today's climate plant owners are focused on maximising the return on investment, including assets such as facilities and O&M staff ... *read more*.

30/08/2011
CPS Today of London:

The CSP industry in the US gears up to meet in San Francisco

Leading CSP companies including **NextEra Energy Resources, Abengoa Solar, Brightsource, Bechtel, Abener, Albiasa Solar, Siemens, Fluor, Flasol** amongst others are already confirmed to attend, with the industry poised to tackle the technical challenges faced in the design, engineering and construction of large-scale CSP plants, with a focus on: ... *read more*.

25/08/2011
CPS Today of London:

A CSP Developers DNI Dream

DNI plays a role because it is used to predict the output of concentrated solar power stations as the receivers or heliostats track the sun throughout the day ... *read more*.

24/08/2011
CPS Today of London:

From Portugal to China: Strengthening markets for CPV

PV Insider are delighted to announce the addition of two new case studies at the 3rd CPV Summit USA, as part of their 'CPV Landmarks' section. From the geographical perspective Portugal and China are two of the most exciting emerging markets for CPV today; the companies will be giving the insider's viewpoint, taking one specific project as a model ... *read more*.

22/08/2011
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A Model for Selling Solar in India

Of the more than 1 billion people living in India, over 400,000 individuals lack access to electricity, which negatively affects day to day life in a variety of ways. The Indian government has put several policies and programs in place to expand energy

access, including the National Electrification Policy in 2005 that included targets for rural electricity access by 2010 ... *read more*.

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CPS Today of London:

CSP Today South Africa 2012

The focus of the summit is how to navigate the IPP market to build a successful & productive Concentrate Solar Power business in South Africa ... *read more*.

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Naee2011:

Nigeria Alternative Energy Expo 2011

The Nigeria Alternative Energy Expo 2011 is Nigeria's premier alternative energy event. NAEE 2011 takes place at the Yaradua Convention Centre, Abuja Nigeria from October 17-19 2011. The event organisers promises an impressive line-up of local and international speakers, delegates and exhibitors, who will gather to debate a new energy future for Africa's biggest nation ... *read more*.

31/08/2011

CPS Today of London:

4th Thin Film Solar Summit USA

Now in its 4th blockbuster year, the Thin Film Solar Summit USA is the industry's leading meeting place to provide you with the ultimate knowledge and networking platform ... *read more*.

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CPS Today of London:

PV Plant Operations and Management Training Workshop

How to optimize your PV operations and management strategy for improved plant output and increased profits ... [read more](#).

12/08/2011
CPS Today of London:

2nd Utility Scale PV Plant Optimization USA

This is a 2 day conference that deals with the technical intricacies of how to successfully streamline your design, engineering and construction strategies, including: ... [read more](#).

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CPS Today of London:

CSP Today Sevilla 2011

CSP Today Sevilla is the premier international Concentrated Solar Thermal Power meeting place and in its 5th edition it will give you the ultimate CSP learning & industry networking experience. With over 700 top attendees, this is by far the biggest, best, and most influential CSP industry event ... [read more](#).

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AGEESE:

African Green Energy and Environment Summit & Exhibition Lagos 2011

With deep regrets, I'd like to inform you on the indefinite postponement of the African Green Energy and Environment Summit and Exhibitions that was scheduled for the 17th - 20th October 2011.

This draws from the fact that the RE industry has criticised the reasoning behind staging two major conferences in Nigeria on the same date being 17th

- 20th October 2011. Most are of the view, that the RE industry in Nigeria is still too young to have such "fierce competitors". You would recall that the other was rescheduled from the 6th - 8th of July 2011 to the present date.

We sincerely apologise for any inconveniences on your path.

Sincere Regards

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16/09/2011

AFRETEP:

Western Africa Region AFRETEP project workshop

Application CV form.

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AFRETEP:

European Union support for the private sector

Technical assistance, a development tool serving the private sector.

European Union technical assistance is implemented at micro-, meso- and macroeconomic level to encourage growth and benefit different sectors of the population, including the poorest. Programmes aim to incorporate developing countries in the international trade loop by involving numerous economic stakeholders and taking social considerations into account. An in-depth look at one of the development drivers implemented by the European Union ... [read more](#).

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19TH AUGUST NEWSLETTER

WG pages

We remind you we have uploaded some interesting information in the Working group pages frame. You could find maps and data of solar radiation and PV in Africa and Europe, of African infrastructures, of global population and further. Moreover, you could access to the Photovoltaic Geographical Information System (PVGIS) of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission and download processed data of the JRC GIS.

WG forums

We would remind AFRETEP members about forum discussions:

1. AFRETEP workgroup website improvement.
2. Barriers and chances for renewable energy deployment
3. Energy solutions in rural Africa: working towards a continental scale methodology?