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ENERGAÏA 2008: renewed success!

International Renewable Energies Exhibition - 2nd edition
10-11-12 December 2008 – Montpellier, Exhibition Centre

The second edition of ENERGAÏA, which was held from the 10th to 12th December, met with renewed success. The International Renewable Energies Exhibition has asserted its position amongst the leading events in France and Southern Europe and confirms the attractiveness of the Languedoc-Roussillon as a pioneer region in the Renewable Energies sector.

- During the three day event ENERGAÏA registered some **20 200 visitors from France** (46% from the Languedoc-Roussillon and 48% from other regions in France) **and 52 countries** (1 200 foreigners). Professional and public visitors came to find information on the latest solutions and innovations and to meet industry professionals.
- ENERGAÏA is an international exhibition bringing together **304 exhibitors from 15 countries**. Solar, wind energy, wood energy, eco-building, geothermal... every sector of the renewable energies industry and their applications in the building sector were represented.
- The International Business Forum generated **280 appointments between exhibitors and buyers from 10 countries**.
- The Job Forum represented an exceptional event with regards to employment in the renewable energies and eco-building sectors and met with resounding success, leading to **81 job interviews**.

Mediterranean countries from MEDENER (Mediterranean Association for National Agencies for Energy Conservation) were present at ENERGAÏA and took part in the conference day organized by the Plan Bleu.

The European Commission is a partner of ENERGAÏA through its JRC (Joint Research Centre) which organised a congress entitled "A European contribution to low carbon energy research: a special focus on the activities of the European Commission's Joint Research Centre" and took advantage of its presence at the exhibition to announce the publication of its "Report on solar photovoltaic".

"Through this second edition, we aimed to offer an exhibition which combines solutions, innovation, business, employment... in a single and unique location. The international scope of the exhibition and its location in the Languedoc-Roussillon, a leading region in the renewable energies sector, make ENERGAÏA a reference event for the sector. On the strength of this success, we are delighted to announce the dates of the next edition of ENERGAÏA which will be held on Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th and Friday 11th December 2009 at the Exhibition Centre in Montpellier" stated Mr. François Barbance, Managing Director of ENJOY Montpellier and Mr. Guy Haddad, Show Manager of ENERGAÏA (UHK EXPO).

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