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"Emerging Clusters: Excellence and Innovation in the Energy Sector"

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Thursday, 3 May, 2012

- 9.00-9.30 Registration and welcome coffee for participants
- 9.30-11.30 Session 1: Cluster Development
- Welcome- Introduction – The IC Med project, Promotion of Clusters and Cluster Development, advantages of transnational cooperation (*D. Taile- Project Manager Region PACA and D. Papastefanakis, project manager, Director of Development Programs - CRES*)
 - Cluster Development in Greece: European Financing Structures for cluster development- Steps that have been taken in Greece (*Presentation by- Representative General Secretariat for Research and Technology, Mr. G. Kokkinoplitis, General Secretary*)
 - Testimony of Successful Greek Cluster- (*Corallia-Dr. Jorge-A. Sanchez-P.*)
 - Cluster Development in Europe – (*Laura Righi- Regione Toscana*)
- Moderator: Kostas Anagnostopoulos- (*Head of Development studies Department of Development Programs – CRES*)
- 11.30-11.45 Coffee break
- 11.45-13.30 Session2: Cluster Excellence
- “Standardization of entrepreneurship within clusters. A key challenge in applying the concept of business clusters” (*Dr Lampros Pyrgiotis, Hellenic Technology Transfer Center S.A., Partner & Ioannis Saridakis, Hellenic Organization for Standardization, Standardization Division*)
 - Q&A- Open Discussion
- Moderator: Lisa Panopoulos (*Project Coordinator- Division of Development Programs*)
- 13.30 -14.30 Lunch
- 14.30-15.30 Session 3: Clusters and Employment- opportunities, cluster contribution to innovation
- Promoting sustainable energy value chains by means of regulations and incentives - the Example of Italy – (*Mauro Alberti CESTEC*)
 - Only green jobs? Renewable energies employment and positive socio-economic results.– (*Carlos Serra - Energy Agency Andalusia*)
 - Training Models for Green jobs- (*Laura Righi, Regione Toscana*)
- Moderator: Juan Mira Martinez (*IMPIVA*)
- 15.30-15.45 Coffee break
- 15.45-17.30 Session 4: : Cluster Testimonies- Success Stories - Energy clusters Testimonies
- Biomass Cluster in W. Macedonia, BIOCLUS – (*P. Grammelis, Senior researcher, CERTH/ISFTA*)

- Making the most of SMEs cooperation – (AVAESSEN- Valencia, Spain)
- Sustainable Building Cluster – (POLIGHT- Presentation by Edoardo Braccio, Regione Piemonte)
- Energy clusters and networking of insular regions: INRES Project – (Artemis Saitakis- Science and Technology Park of Crete)
- **Presentation of Capenergies-** (D. Taile- Project manager Region PACA)

Moderator: Kostas Anagnostopoulos- (Head of Development studies Department of Development Programs – CRES)

17.30-17.45 Day's Closing
Opportunities for cooperation- (Kostas Anagnostopoulos- Head of Development studies Department of Development Programs – CRES)

Friday, 4 May 2012

- 9.00-9.30 Registration and welcome coffee for participants
- 9.30-9.50 Welcome- Wrap up of previous day's discussions
(Lisa Panopoulos - Project Coordinator- Division of Development Programs)
- 9.50-10.00 Move into break-out groups by energy related themes:
 - biomass/biogas – (Moderator: Christophoros Perakis – CRES)
 - smart systems -
 - solar technologies (Moderator: Maria Luisa Borra- Energy Agency Andalusia)
 - buildings-(Moderator: Edoardo Braccio – Regione Piemonte)
- 10.00-12.30 Break out sessions:
Topics –
 - gaps in collaboration,
 - needed areas of innovation,
 - financing issues,
 - areas and possibilities of cooperation, beyond European projects
- 12.30-13.00 Presentation of results by chosen representatives of each group
 - Presentations
- 13.00 -14.00 Lunch
- 14.00-15.00
 - Conclusions Drawn from Break out Sessions

- Open Discussion

15.00-15.30 Closing Session: Final Comments- Strength of Emerging clusters especially in the energy sector vis a vis EU targets, capitalization of this experience for further development of cooperation – (*D. Papastefanakis, project manager, Director of Development Programs - CRES*)