



NEWSLETTER

ST-ESCOs Project – General

The objective of the project is to promote the creation and development of Solar Thermal Energy Service Companies (ST-ESCOs) and, by this, to assist in accelerating the growth of the solar thermal market in Europe.



2nd project meeting

The second project meeting was held at the premises of CRES on the 29-30 September 2005. Representatives of all project partners took part in the meeting that was held in a very positive collaboration spirit.

The project progress was reviewed and the successful conclusion of the first work package (WP1) was mentioned including also key action points to be followed for the upcoming work packages were analysed.



The two-day meeting ended with a relaxing night
in one of the many Athenian clubs

G8 Summit Agreement

At the summit realized between the 6th and 8th of July, 2005 at Gleneagles, Scotland, the G8 leaders adopted an action plan of 38 points for issues concerning climate change, clean energy use and sustainable development. The action plan encompasses the promotion of energy efficiency in buildings, electric appliances, transport, industry, production of energy and other sectors. It also encompasses the promotion of renewable energy technologies. Energy efficiency was noted as a key factor in the action plan of G8.

The full text of the agreement is available on the webpage:

[http://www.fco.gov.uk/Files/kfile/
PostG8_Gleneagles_Communique.pdf](http://www.fco.gov.uk/Files/kfile/PostG8_Gleneagles_Communique.pdf)

Common position of the Council on the adoption of the Directive on energy end-use efficiency and energy services

On September 23, 2005 a common position of the European Council concerning the adoption of a Directive on energy end-use efficiency and energy services was reached.

The decision made by the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union is based on the need for:

- improved energy efficiency,
- managed demand for energy,
- and promotion of the production of renewable energy.

Improved energy end-use efficiency will contribute to the reduction of primary energy consumption and to the mitigation of CO₂ and other greenhouse gas emissions. Improved energy end-use efficiency will make it possible to exploit potential cost-effective energy savings in an economically efficient way and thus help the European Community reduce its dependence on energy imports.

<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/lex/LexUriServ/site/en/oj/2005/ce275/ce27520051108en00190040.pdf>

ESCO conference in India

On the 1st and 2nd of June 2005 a conference concerning the promotion of energy services companies in the energy market of India took place in New Delhi.

Further information:

<http://www.ficci.com/ficci/media-room/speeches-presentations/2005/june/june1-esco.htm>

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