



Invitation

Mr. Günther Oettinger, EU Commissioner for Energy, **Federal Councillor Doris Leuthard**, Head of the Swiss Federal Department of Environment, Transport, Energy and Communication, and **Mr. Johannes Rimmel**, Minister for Climate Protection, Environment, Agriculture, Nature Protection and Consumer Protection of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia, will present the European Energy Award® Gold 2012 to the most progressive energy towns in Europe on

Monday, 26 November 2012, 18:30, at the Representation
of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia
to the European Union

Rue Montoyer 47, 1000 Brussels

The European Energy Award® advances communal climate protection in Europe. It is a reference instrument of the Covenant of Mayors and has established itself in Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France, Italy, Hungary, Luxembourg, Liechtenstein, Morocco and Monaco. Prizes are awarded to communes that have made outstanding efforts to introduce and implement sustainable energy policies.

The event is sponsored by the European Energy Award® together with the State of North Rhine-Westphalia and the Mission of Switzerland to the European Union.

On Tuesday, 27 November 2012, 09:30,
at the Mission of Switzerland to the European Union

Place du Luxembourg 1, 1050 Brussels

a workshop will be held in which participants debate how communal climate protection and above all how the goals for energy efficiency can be implemented in southern countries. Reports on experience with the European Energy Award® in Morocco, the European ERDF project MEDEEA ("Mediterranean Implementation of the European Energy Award®") and the French overseas territories will be presented.

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18:30 **Welcome aperitif**

19:00 **Words of welcome**

Rainer Steffens, Director of the Representation of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union

Short film – Münster and the eea

19:15 **The European Energy Award® at the European level**

Dr. Walter Steinmann, Chairman of the Forum European Energy Award e.V.

19:30 **Dialogue on the implementation of energy and climate protection targets in municipalities**

Swiss Federal Councillor Doris Leuthard
EU Commissioner Günther Oettinger
NRW Climate Protection Minister Johannes Remmel

Trailer – kids explain the European Energy Award®

20:10 **Presentation of the prizes**

of the European Energy Award® 2012 Gold to 25 European communes from Austria, France, Germany and Switzerland

20:45 **“Walking dinner“ with Swiss specialties**

The event will be moderated by Asli Sevindim and Thomas Heyer



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Workshop: Local Energy Policy in Climatic Warm Regions Challenges and solutions in implementing the European Energy Award®

Mission of Switzerland to the European Union, Place du Luxembourg 1, 1050 Brussels
Tuesday, 27 November 2012, 9:30–14:00

09:00 Registration

09:30 **Words of welcome**

H.E. Roberto Balzaretto, Ambassador of Switzerland to the EU

09:40 **What does the eea stand for?**

International Office of the Forum European Energy Award e.V.

09:55 **From Portugal to Cyprus – the eea in southern Europe**

The project “Mediterranean implementation of the European Energy Award” (MEDEEA) shows analogies and differences in the adaptation between the participating countries.

Roberta Casapietra, ARE Liguria, Project Manager MEDEEA Project

Lessons learned in the implementation of the eea in the Spanish region of Murcia.

José Antonio García García, Agencia de Gestión de Energía de la Región de Murcia

One common language, one approach to sustainable energy policy but very different climatic conditions – activities of the French Energy Agency in France and abroad

ADEME presents the experimental adaptation of the eea (Cit'ergie) tools to Guadeloupe and Martinique and informs about their active role in the Mediterranean dissemination of sustainable energy policy.

Raphael Guastavi, ADEME, Project Manager of Cit'ergie

Challenges of municipal energy policy in North Africa - can the eea provide solutions?

On the example of Morocco challenges of climate policy on municipal level are shown and first ideas for implementation of eea in the North African and Middle East Area are presented.

Caroline Huwiler, Institute for Development, Environment and Energy (IDE-E), Project Manager “MENA Energy Award”.

Sonia Mezzour, Moroccan Agency for the Development of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency, ADEREE

11:10 **Energy Efficiency: Cooperation between the European Union and the Mediterranean states**

Pedro Ballesteros Torres, International Relation Officer, DG ENERGY, European Commission

11:30 **Discussion between speakers and audience: Challenges and solutions for climatic warm regions in implementing sustainable energy policy**

12:15 **Concluding remarks**

12:45 Reception

The workshop will be moderated by Bernard Gindroz Chair of GEN/CENELEC Sector Forum Energy Management

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