

EPTA Council and conference in Oslo 16 - 17 October 2006: “European Energy Systems in Transition”

Hosted by Stortinget and the Norwegian Board of Technology
Conference venue: Gamle Høringssal, Stortinget, Oslo

Monday 16 October

Time	Programme
12.00-13.00	Lunch hosted by the Norwegian Parliament (Stortinget)
13.00-17.00	EPTA Council Meeting (Board members and directors of EPTA institutions)
17.30-18.00	Walk through the Vigeland Sculpture Park to the Greek Embassy Residence Transport from Stortinget to the Vigeland Park leaves at 17.15
18.00-19.00	Reception in the Greek Embassy Residence The Permanent Committee of Technology Assessment in the Greek Parliament is assuming the EPTA Presidency for 2007
19.30-23.00	Conference dinner at the Ekeberg restaurant

Tuesday 17 October

Time	Programme
09.30-10.00	Coffee and tea is served
10.00-10.20	Welcome statements and opening of the conference Inge Lønning, president of the Lagting, Norwegian Parliament and Eivind Osnes, chair of the Norwegian Board of Technology (NBT)
10.20-11.10	How can parliaments help the transition to low-fossil systems? <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Introduction (10 min) <i>Anne Grete Holmsgaard(MP), Committees on Science and Technology & Energy, Denmark</i>▪ Comments (5+5 min)<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Trees Merckx-Van Goey (MP), vice president of viWTA, Flanders</i>2. <i>Heidi Sørensen (MP), Committee on Energy and the Environment, Norway</i>▪ Plenary (30 min) Chair: Tore Tennøe, Director of the NBT
11.10-12.00	Renewable energy – what difference can it make? <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Introduction (10 min) <i>Joel Hasse Ferreira (MEP), Member of the STOA panel, European Parliament</i>▪ Comments (5+5 min)<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <i>Hans-Josef Fell (MP), Committee on the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety, Germany</i>2. <i>Marco Airaghi (MP), Committee for the Evaluation of Scientific and Technological Options (VAST), Italy</i>▪ Plenary (30 min)
12.00-13.30	Lunch hosted by the President of the Lagting, Norwegian Parliament

13.30-14.20 **Nuclear energy – can we do without it?**

- Introduction (10 min)
Dr. Ashok Kumar (MP), Chair of the Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (POST), United Kingdom
- Comments (5+5 min)
 1. *Claude Birraux (MP), Vice president of OPECST, Assemblée nationale, France*
 2. *Jyrki Kasvi (MP), Committee for the Future, Finland*
- Plenary (30 min)

14.20-14.40 Coffee break

14.40-15.30 **Will clean fossils be clean enough?**

- Introduction (10 min)
Børge Brende (MP), formerly Norwegian Minister of the Environment and chair of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development
- Comment (5 min)
 1. *Lord Oxburgh of Liverpool, POST Board Member, United Kingdom*
 2. *Jan Staman (Director), The Rathenau Institute, the Netherlands*
- Plenary (30 min)

15.30-16.00 **Concluding remarks**