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CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007: Decision makers to discuss region's growing greenhouse gas market

More than 110 exhibitors from 26 countries will offer visitors an unprecedented opportunity to network with key international players

Singapore, 5 November 2007: CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007 Trade Fair and Conference, the major platform for emissions trading, carbon abatement solutions, greenhouse gas (GHG) market, and new technologies, will open tomorrow at the Singapore Suntec International Convention and Exhibition Centre. The two-day event comes at a timely moment before the United Nations Climate Change Conference commences in Bali this December.

CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007 is organised by the International Emissions Trading Association (IETA) and Koelnmesse, and is hosted by the Sustainable Energy Association of Singapore, in partnership with the European Commission, Environment Directorate-General, the Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB).

"We are very excited that following last years success in Beijing we have again been able to present a program with high quality speakers and exhibitors", says Andrei Marcu, President and CEO of IETA. "We continue to see a rapid growth in volumes of emission reductions traded as well as the number of participants in the GHG market. This Carbon Forum Asia will, I expect, demonstrate how engaged the region is in the current market".

Alongside the event's organisers, IETA and Koelnmesse, about 110 leading companies and organisations from 26 countries will exhibit their products and projects, services and innovations as part of the trade fair. Seven plenary sessions and 12 workshops will present and discuss future market and regulatory developments.



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Yvo de Boer, Executive Secretary of United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), will deliver the keynote speech in the Opening Plenary at CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007. Together with other worldwide leading experts in the carbon market, he will provide valuable insights into the most recent issues on carbon trading, including future global supply and demand balance, transportation and aviation in the GHG industry and the voluntary carbon market and its potential in Asia. Alongside Mr. de Boer, CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007 is also honored to welcome the participation of Dr. Yaacob Ibrahim, Singapore's Minister of Environment and Water Resources (MEWR), Mr. Rachmat Witoelar, Indonesia's Minister of Environment, Ursula Schäfer-Preuss, Vice President, Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development, Asian Development Bank and Fumio Hoshi, Senior Executive Director, Japan Bank of International Cooperation.

The final Plenary for CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007 will focus on the path forward for CDM development in Asia. The Guest of Honor will be S. Iswaran, the Singapore Minister of State for Trade and Industry, and other speakers will include Holger Standertskjold Nordenstam, Ambassador and Head of Delegation, Delegation of the European Commission to Singapore, Lasse Ringius, Senior Environmental Specialist, Carbon Finance Business of the World Bank, Agus Sari, Regional Director, Southeast Asia & Country Director, EcoSecurities, Seb Walhain, Director, Environmental Markets, Fortis Bank and John Paul Miller, Transactions Specialist, Transaction Services, Natsource.

The Conference Program gathered together regional and international speakers from a wide scope of private and public sectors such as the industrial companies, insurance companies, technology providers, banks and legal advisors and project developers.

Wolfgang Kranz, Executive Vice President of Koelnmesse GmbH, highlights that, "CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007 offers updates on the carbon market's latest products and services, including presentations of industry case studies, discussion and networking sessions with high level of interaction. It is this particular mix of trade and communications that makes the CARBON FORUM ASIA platform an invaluable tool for successful business in the emissions trading market."

Riding on the success of CARBON EXPO ASIA 2006 in Beijing, this year's event will also see different countries in the Asia-Pacific region hosting their project ideas and designs. The Singapore Pavilion, the Japan Village and the Host Country & Project

Pavilion are the three exhibiting pavilions. The Singapore Pavilion and the Japan Village have seven and eleven organisations under their roofs respectively.

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The Host Country & Project Pavilion will include 18 organisations from Cambodia, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Nepal, the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Vietnam. The project from TTY Corporation of Cambodia for instance will capture methane and convert it to biogas, replacing heavy fuel oil used in the dyers and producing renewable electricity to displace grid electricity. Other projects that can be found in this pavilion also include the Mini Hydro and Biomass (Dendro Power) from Hayleys of Sri Lanka, and Energy Efficiency and Power Generation from RCEE Energy and Environment Joint Stock Company of Vietnam.

With all Gold and Platinum sponsor packages sold out, CARBON FORUM ASIA 2007 is assured of success with strong support from various organisations including Carbon Resource Management, Climate Change Capital, Norton Rose, TFS Energy and Tricorona.

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