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CARBON EXPO ASIA Receives Overwhelming Response

Asia's first Carbon Market Trade Fair is sold out with nearly 100 exhibitors and all set for success in Asia

Singapore, 14 September 2006 – Riding on the success of CARBON EXPO in Cologne, the International Emissions Trading Association (IETA), the World Bank, Koelnmesse and its partners are pleased to present the first CARBON EXPO ASIA.

CARBON EXPO ASIA will be held from 26-27 October 2006 in Beijing, China. Nearly 100 exhibitors from over 30 countries have already confirmed their participation in the trade fair, while over 800 visitors are expected from over 40 countries. Around 80 high-level speakers from governments, institutions and the private sector will present at five plenary sessions and 15 workshops. The keynote speakers among others are Stavros Dimas, EU-Commissioner for the Environment, and Ian Pearson, Minister of State for Climate Change and the Environment, UK. The Designated National Authorities for CDM from the Asian region, as well as members of the CDM Executive Board, have also been invited to attend.

The event will offer an outstanding networking and learning experience for attendees, with key players like Climate Change Capital, Clifford Chance LLP, Endesa and TFS Energy as platinum sponsors of the event.

CARBON EXPO ASIA is jointly organized by the International Emissions Trading Association (IETA), the World Bank and Koelnmesse, and co-hosted by the People's Republic of China's Ministry of Science and Technology, the National Development and Reform Commission, and the Ministry of Finance. It is organized in partnership with the Asian Development Bank, The Administrative Centre for China's Agenda 21, the Japan Bank for International Cooperation and the Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea of Italy.

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"The Asian economy and its energy consumption are growing rapidly and the CDM has an important role to play in ensuring that incentives are in place to direct resources that will ensure a sustainable path. CARBON EXPO ASIA provides a platform where those actors in Asia that have identified opportunities for green investments can meet in an effective way with investors and service providers and ensure that projects that reduce GHGs become a reality," said Mr. Andrei Marcu, President & CEO of the International Emissions Trading Association.

"CARBON EXPO has been an important venue for developing countries to offer projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions to carbon market buyers. CARBON EXPO ASIA will offer a similar opportunity for Asian countries which have great potential, especially India and China, to offer major greenhouse gas reductions in return for investments in climate friendly technologies and infrastructure. Through initiatives like CARBON EXPO ASIA, the World Bank will continue to work with its client countries to help them access the opportunities of the carbon market," said Joëlle Chassard, Manager of the World Bank's Carbon Finance Unit.

"CARBON EXPO ASIA is the Asian platform for project developers, specialists and buyers of Certified Emission Reductions (CERs) operations in the region, as well as those who deal in the international arena of emission trading and climate change. It also serves as a unique venue for the sale and promotion of products and services related to greenhouse gas emission reductions," said Mr. Michael Dreyer, Vice President Asia Pacific of Koelnmesse.

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