



ENEr2i EU Brokerage Event

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23 June 2014, 9h00 - 17h30

Jacques Delors Building - Room JDE53

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energy research
to innovation

First Announcement



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**SUSTAINABLE ENERGY
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About ener2i

ENERgy Research to Innovation: Reinforcing cooperation with ENP countries on **bridging the gap between energy research and energy innovation.**

In order to bridge this gap and accelerate innovation performance, ener2i concentrates on the following main objectives:

- ▶ To **enhance the innovation capacity and improve the innovation performance** of manufacturers, energy service companies and industry in the field of energy efficiency (EE) and renewable energy sources (RES).
- ▶ To **improve knowledge transfer** and innovation support in the field of EE/RES through a comprehensive trans-national cooperation.
- ▶ To **stimulate effective linkages** between research and innovation with effective knowledge transfer methods in the participating EaP countries Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, and Moldova.
- ▶ To **strengthen cooperation** between research and business actors in EE/RES in the participating countries and at the same time facilitating the cooperation between EU and participating EaP countries.

ener2i Consortium

Coordinator:

- ▶ Centre for Social Innovation- ZSI, Austria

Partners:

- ▶ Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development- RCISD, Hungary
- ▶ European Sustainable Energy Innovation Alliance – eseia, Austria
- ▶ Belarusian Institute of Systems Analysis and Information Support- BelISA, Belarus
- ▶ National Academy of Sciences - NAS-RA, Armenia
- ▶ Agency for Innovation and Technology Transfer - AITT, Moldova
- ▶ Technology Transfer Association- TTA, Armenia
- ▶ Belarusian Innovation Fund- BIF, Belarus
- ▶ Union “Energy Efficiency Center Georgia” - EEC, Georgia
- ▶ energy engineers- ee, Germany
- ▶ Organization for Small and Medium Enterprises Sector Development- ODIMM, Moldova



Project period: Oct 13 - Sept 16

Website: www.ener2i.eu

ener2i Brokerage event concept

Back to back with the **European Sustainable Energy Week**, eseia is organising a series of networking and capacity building sessions in Brussels to support EU-EaP cooperation and knowledge transfer. The event will target representatives from companies, higher education and research institutions and politics from the EU and EaP countries of **Armenia, Belarus, Georgia** and **Moldova**. The aim is to create partnerships for Horizon2020 calls and other funding opportunities on the following **three innovation challenges**:

- ▶ **1. Bioresource Utilisation**
 - Bioresource usage scenarios;
 - Managing transition to a low-carbon economy;
 - Sustainable use of agricultural waste;

- ▶ **2. Smart Cities and Regions**
 - Energy efficiency;
 - Smart integration (i.e. grids, mobility);
 - Decentralised energy systems;

- ▶ **3. Capacity Building**
 - The Human Factor;
 - Smart specialization strategies (3s);
 - Public awareness and engagement.

How does it work?

Present your innovative ideas/technologies and call the attention of cooperation partners! Meet prospective cooperation partners in one day - reduce the amount of time and money for finding new partners.

Online tools and registration:

The event is free of charge, but registration is mandatory through EUSEW website at: <http://www.eusew.eu/>

Every person that register to the event will get contacted directly by eseia Secretariat and would be required to fill in a **cooperation profile form**: Participants will have to produce short profiles, indicating the nature of their business and/or research, and what they are looking for. These profiles will be inserted into an event catalogue which will be accessible online prior to the event.

Expression of interest: Participants should send back their profile along with their EoI to office@eseia.eu

Bursaries for EaP Participants

Ten €600 bursaries for travel will be available the Eastern Partnership participants through the ENER2I programme – please indicate with your expression of interest if a travel bursary is needed; decisions will be made by the ENER2I team.

Draft Program

Date: 23 June 2014, 9h00 - 17h30

Venue: Room JDE53 - Jacques Delors Building, Committee of the Regions, Rue Belliard 99-101, Brussels

8.30 – 9.30	Registration and Coffee
9.00	Welcome by <i>Mercedes Bresso, Vice-President of the Committee of the Regions</i>
9.15 – 10.30	Setting the Scene: Innovation challenges in Renewable Energy Systems and Presentations by ENER2I ENP Partners of Local Conditions and Needs
10.30 – 12.00	Brokerage Workshop 1: Bioresource Utilisation <i>Chair: Michael Narodslawsky, TU Graz, AT, Coordinator of eseia WG Bioresources</i>
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch break
13.00 – 14.30	Brokerage Workshop 2: Smart Cities and Regions <i>Chair: Yoram Krozer, U Twente, NL</i>
14.30 – 15.00	Coffee break
15.00 – 16.30	Brokerage Workshop 3: Capacity Building <i>Chair: Richard Wheeler, eseia, Co-Chair: Brigitte Hasewend, Director of eseia</i>
16.30 – 17.30	Summary

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The European Sustainable Energy Innovation Alliance is an association of leading research, education and business organizations. eseia operates in the field of sustainable energy systems, in research, education and innovation. The eseia Education and Training Programme seeks to provide hands-on flexible and up-to-date skills training joining latest research results with practical knowledge. eseia experts are part of and actively drive the European Commission SET Plan E&T Initiative.

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