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Don't miss your chance to attend the 2012 EAFES Sustainable Energy Summer School at the University of Cambridge

The European Agency for Energy Security has now opened the application process for its 2012 Sustainable Energy Summer School and is urging students and professionals with an interest in sustainable energy technology and policy not to miss their chance to attend.

The summer school will take place in the UK from 26 August to 1 September 2012 at the University of Cambridge's stunning and historical Magdalene College campus.

Commenting on the summer school, Dr Michal Chudý, Executive Director of EAFES said, "This year we will hold our first ever sustainable energy summer school and it promises to be an excellent event. The programme will include a theoretical element featuring lectures and presentations as well as practical and interactive activities and great networking opportunities with policy, academic and energy research contacts and industry leaders. The courses throughout the week-long programme will be focused on the scientific, engineering, economic and political issues relating to sustainable energy and I'd recommend the summer school to anyone with an interest in sustainable energy, whether from a research, policy or other professional background."

Following the success of the 'Where is the energetic future of Central and Eastern Europe?' conference organised by EAFES and the Centre for European Studies (CES) in December 2011, the 2012 summer school will provide the opportunity for participants to examine and understand the technological challenges of different energy sources in order to secure, clean, low-carbon, sustainable and affordable energy systems; take part in experimental demonstrations at research facilities of the University of Cambridge; understand and experience policy issues in energy and the main goals of European energy policy and security; be involved in high-level debates on energy research and energy security priorities; discuss and develop a collective vision for sustainable energy and improve communication and networking skills.

Due to funding offered by a range of EAFES partners, participants can benefit from attending the summer school for a modest fee of 450 EUR per student or 600 EUR per person. This includes all tuition, meals, accommodation and transport during the summer

school. Places are limited and will be allocated through the application process outlined at www.eafes.eu

Up to 30 participants will be selected based on their application which should include a short CV, letter of recommendation and a short energy-related essay, which may then be published to the EAFES blog. Financial support may also be available to some candidates and will be allocated according to highest level of need. Applications should be sent to eafes.school2012@eafes.eu before 22 June 2012 and places will be allocated before 30 June 2012.

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Confirmed Sustainable Energy Summer School speakers:

- Prof D. Crawford-Brown (University of Cambridge)
- Dr Tim Coombs (University of Cambridge)
- Dr. Richard McMahon (University of Cambridge)
- Prof. Helmut Bock (Technische Universität Wien / Vienna University of Technology)
- Dr Christian Kirchsteiger (European Commission)
- Dr. Andreas Kronenberg (Vienna)

EAFES Background: Formed in 2011, the European Agency for Energy Security (EAFES) is a non-governmental organisation which connects experts from various professional areas who have a common interest in the secure and environmentally friendly supply of energy. These issues are not confined to policy alone, as the same importance must be given to economic and scientific factors. The key objectives are to understand the political relations between countries rich in energy resources and the consumer countries; trade relations, their infrastructure and address other economic and technical aspects; and finally to explore the scientific possibilities of developing new energy resources or improving the performance existing ones. Understanding all these complex issues requires strong collaboration between experts in all the relevant areas.

The main objective – developing secure and environmentally friendly energy supply – is achievable only by strong political will and constant scientific development. Therefore the core of the agency consists of experts from various areas with different focuses. The main activities of the agency are:

- improving communication between experts of different disciplines related to energy
- conducting independent research

- organising meetings, conferences and workshops
- promoting informed debate on energy research, industry and policy

Visit www.eafes.eu for further information.