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Climate and energy emergency

ENERGAÏA: a must-attend forum in 2022 for all professionals

The 2022 edition of the Renewable energy forum will take place on 7 and 8 December at Montpellier Exhibition Centre. A pavilion devoted to sustainable building, another on sustainable transport and mobility, the possibility of scheduling business meetings (new in 2022) technical talks and round tables: the organisers have designed this 16th edition to enable professionals to come away with concrete solutions to current issues.

Two themed pavilions: "Sustainable Building" and "Sustainable Transport and Mobility"

As priority workstreams for the Occitania / Pyrénées – Méditerranée regional council, sustainable buildings and sustainable transport will be the focus of dedicated pavilions: two 100-sqm spaces hosting specialist companies and institutions.

The "Sustainable Building" pavilion will revolve around low-carbon construction, the development of new districts, and the renovation and efficient operation of buildings.

The "Sustainable transport and mobility" pavilion will present energy efficiency solutions in en environmental logic (lower bills, energy self-sufficiency) and will tie in with urban logistics issues (revision of the diesel-free model, clean air zones in city regions, last-mile deliveries).

Targeted business meetings

Forum EnerGaïa this year offers visitors the opportunity of arranging **business meetings** once they have registered to attend, with appointments targeted according to their areas of interest. This offers genuine added value to help visitors save time and enjoy a more efficient visit.

Example: I run an industrial company and I want information on photovoltaic self-consumption: the EnerGaïa 2022 platform will show me a list of exhibitors that meet the criteria of my search, and I can make appointments with them during the show.

Free registration for EnerGaïa 2022 and business meetings at: https://www.energaia.fr

Technical talks and round tables for all professionals

Excerpt from the programme of this 16th edition:

Collective self-consumption: energy in short circuit

Collective self-consumption is finally finding an economic rationale. It allows companies, communities and citizens to produce and share solar electricity. The round table will explore business models and current arrangements.

Storage to integrate renewable energies into the system: state of the art and technologies

Variable sources of renewable energy production can provide a greater service to the grid when coupled with storage facilities. This conference will present the latest developments in energy storage, and innovative technologies.

Renewable gases: towards territorial autonomy

To avoid dependence on Russian gas, communities have the means to produce their own renewable gas. Biomethane, bio-CNG and biogas can make communities more resilient. On condition that anaerobic digestion and

new biogas production methods are developed. Can we be self-sufficient in gas? How and when? The round table will try to answer these questions

Hydrogen: new logistics, new uses

The deployment of green hydrogen requires the development of entirely new means of transport and distribution. Several innovative solutions are in the pipeline, both for mass transport and for distribution to users. This talk will show which ones. Similarly, while green hydrogen will initially replace grey hydrogen in industry, its uses will be more diversified in the form of gas or synthetic fuels.

A topical opening plenary keynote to "prepare the world ahead"

This 16th edition of Forum EnerGaïa will be held in the context of a particularly acute climate and energy crisis. Raising awareness without scaremongering, alerting and thinking positively, calmly considering the future and building it sustainably... The organisers of EnerGaïa 2022 have decided to make this a particularly human event which should strike a chord with everyone's most intimate convictions.

What does sobriety mean when it is adapted to the ecological limits of the planet? How can we get out of a climate policy consisting of small steps? Is a real energy transition even possible? The opening plenary of EnerGaïa will address these issues with three guest speakers:

- Lucile SCHMID, co-founder and vice president of the think tank La Fabrique écologique
- Jean-Baptiste FRESSOZ, historian of science, technology and the environment, and researcher at EHESS-CNRS.
- Bruno VILLALBA, politics lecturer at AgroParisTech.

Full talks programme and list of speakers: https://www.energaia.fr

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About Forum EnerGaïa: An annual event dedicated to renewable energy industry professionals, supported by the Occitanie/Pyrénées-Méditerranée Regional Authority and organised by SPL Occitanie Events, the European Forum EnerGaïa has been accompanying the renewable energy industry for 16 years. Backed up by a content-rich programme of talks, round tables, workshops and pitches giving centre stage to the expertise of key players in the sector, Forum EnerGaïa has reasserted its status as a major meeting for renewable energy professionals.

From technical innovation to ongoing projects and from the latest industry developments to new regulations, project financing and shared experience, a wide range of highly tangible subjects are covered at the Forum which for its 16th edition on 7 and 8 December 2022 at Montpellier Exhibition Centre expects to welcome more than 8,500 professionals and 280 exhibitors.

Forum EnerGaïa has received the backing of COP21, COP22, COP23 and COP24. It is organised under the high patronage of the French Ministry for the Ecological Transition and the European Commission Representation in France.

Practical information

- . Opening hours: Wednesday 7 December 2022 from 09:00 to 18:00 / Thursday 8 December from 09:00 to 17:00
- . Venue: Parc des Expositions de Montpellier (France) Entrance via Hall B2
- . Social media: 🄰 #EnerGaïa 🛅 #ForumEnerGaïa
- . Information hotline: energaia.info@spl-occitanie-events.com
- . Website: https://www.energaia.fr/
- . Professionals only Advance registration mandatory Free access and parking

