

## EnerGaïa 2025: obtaining buy-in to accelerate the energy transition

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**Forum EnerGaïa**, the iconic gathering dedicated to renewable energy, will be back for its 19th edition on **10 and 11 December 2025** at **Montpellier Exhibition Centre, France**. At a time of significant uncertainty for energy in France due to the postponement of the multiannual energy plan (PPE), **the Forum in 2025 is placing renewable energy project acceptability at the centre of its content**, in the aim of promoting the collective and community buy-in that is crucial to the success of the energy transition.

### A fast-growing exhibition with international reach

Driven by an exceptional growth momentum, EnerGaïa has doubled its number of exhibitors in the space of three years. In 2024, the show recorded a **32% increase in attendance which reached close to 22,000 participants**, with a **60% exhibitor loyalty rate** and **attendees from 58 countries**.

With an expected **550 exhibitors, along with the presence of 24,000 professionals and an exhibition surface area increased to 30,000 sqm across seven halls**, the 2025 edition offers confirmation of the scale of the Forum and its central role in the renewable energy ecosystem. It covers every step in the value chain, from production to application, in the key sectors of energy, buildings, agriculture, industry and mobility.

### 2025: increasing the acceptability of renewables projects

Held just a few months before the municipal elections in France, EnerGaïa 2025 will place **renewable energy project acceptability at the heart of its content**. By encouraging dialogue between supply chains, public officials and citizens, the Forum intends to contribute to building collective and community buy-in, an essential prerequisite for the acceleration of the energy transition.

Initiated by the **Occitanie / Pyrénées-Méditerranée Regional authority**, EnerGaïa is also a showcase for the region's actions in support of renewable energy in its pursuit of a clear goal: to make Occitanie the first positive energy region in Europe.

### Innovation, a driver of transformation

Following an acclaimed launch in 2024, the **Innovation Awards (*Trophées de l'innovation*)** will be held again in 2025 to shine a light on concrete, bold and duplicable solutions presented by the Forum's exhibitors. This initiative reflects EnerGaïa's aim of **positioning innovation at the heart of the energy transition by highlighting the most promising projects**.

Five awards will be presented across four cross-disciplinary categories:

- International Award: for a project with high international development potential
- Deployability Award: for a project offering quick and easy implementation
- Ecosystem Award: for an exemplary community or collaborative dynamic
- Circularity Award: for a project incorporating a circular economy component and/or leading to major advances in this area.

The Occitanie Regional Authority will also present its special **Coup de Cœur (Judges' Pick)** award to one of the 12 nominated projects.

Exhibitors and co-exhibitors can [submit their entries up until the closing deadline of 12 September 2025](#) at midday (CET). The nominees will pitch their innovations to the jury and visiting public on the morning of 11 December, before the judges' deliberation and official award ceremony.

### An augmented and interactive edition

Among the new developments at this 19<sup>th</sup> edition:

- Two new halls will be opened to cater to the expansion of the exhibition.
- The live content programme will be refreshed to encourage interaction and debate.
- The show will offer more opportunities for dialogue. True to its DNA, EnerGaïa will be rolling out more ways of promoting professional encounters and business partnerships:
  - Three spaces dedicated to business meetings
  - Meeting rooms made available to exhibitors and visitors
  - The stated aim of increasing the appeal of the show among local authorities and international visitors.

In 2025, more than ever before, **Forum EnerGaïa** reasserts its strategic proposition: that of a **crossroads for exchange, innovation and decision in support of the energy transition**.

### About Forum EnerGaïa

Organised by SPL Occitanie Events, which holds ISO 20121 certification awarded by AFNOR, and initiated by the Occitanie regional authority, Forum EnerGaïa reflects an **overtly eco-responsible approach**. It has been supporting the extensive community of renewable energy professionals for 19 years through this annual gathering for all the sector's stakeholders: businesses, local authorities, decision makers, manufacturers, researchers and innovation players.

**In 2025, Forum EnerGaïa continues to pursue its mission of accelerating the energy transition, uniting energies and collectively building the future of renewable energy.**

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