

Bioenergy 2008

Programme - 7th October

09:30	Registration day 1		
10.30	Welcome to the West Midlands Brendan Connor, Advantage West Midlands		
10:40	Key note speeches Session Chair: Philip Wolfe		
10:45	<i>Biomass and the UK's Renewable Energy Strategy</i> Michael Woods, Eversheds		
11:15	<i>The contribution of biomass to Renewable Energy Targets</i> Prof. Tony Bridgwater, Bioenergy Research Group, Aston University		
11:45	<i>Biomass – the public perception</i> Tom Heap		
12.15	Q & A		
12:30 – 1:30	Lunch		
1:30	Session: The Renewable Energy Directive Session chair: Tom Heap		
1:30 – 2:00	<i>Decisions following the call for evidence on heat</i> Michael Feliks, BERR		
2:00 – 3:00	Panel Session <i>Biomass' contribution to renewable heating & cooling, electricity and transport fuel targets and the implications</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oliver Schäfer, European Renewable Energy Council • Benet Northcote, Greenpeace • Matthew Carse, Prenergy 		
3:00	Tea		
3:30	Exhibition viewing	Conference session: Woodfuel strategy, fuel standards and air quality issues	Site visits to bio-mass projects

¹ Speaker invited, awaiting confirmation

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3:30	Launch of the England Wood Fuel Strategy and UK biomass heat map
3:30	<i>Implementing the Wood Fuel Strategy</i> Angela Duignan, The Forestry Commission
3:45	<i>Minimising the Impact of Biomass on Urban Air Quality</i> Gloria Esposito, London Borough of Camden
4:00	<i>Standards where they're at and what's on the horizon</i> David Maunder, Renewable Energy Systems
4:20	Launch of the UK Biomass Heat Map Susan Pelmore / Gaynor Hartnell, REA
4:40	Q&A

Site visits:

Option 1:

- 3:00: Bus departs from Aston Villa FC
- 3:30: **Tour of an Integer development for Bromford Corinthia Housing (30 affordable homes on biomass district heater)**
- 4:00: Bus transfer to Midland Wood Fuel Ltd
- 4:30: **Demonstration of wood chipping and blown fuel delivery**
- 5:00: Bus back to Aston Villa FC

Option 2:

- 3:15 Bus departs from Aston Villa FC
- 4:00: **Presentation and tour of South Shropshire Biodigester, a fully operative anaerobic digestion facility**
- 5:30: Bus back to Aston Villa FC

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9:00	Biogas Chair: Roger Unwin
09:00	<i>Government policy and support for biogas, launch of the AD digestate scheme</i> Michael Chesshire, Greenfinch Ltd
09.15	<i>WRAP support for AD</i> Nina Sweet, Organic Waste and Resources Action Programme
09.30	<i>Biosecurity and bio fertilizer</i> Bryan Lewens, Summerleaze
09.45	<i>Latest trends and possibilities in Advanced Biodigesters</i> Jorgen Fink, Xergi
10.00	Q&A
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	Sustainability Chair: Peter Webster, Utilyx
11:00	<i>The Renewable Transport Fuels Obligation: The first few months' experience</i> Aaron Berry, The Renewable Fuels Agency
11:20	<i>Sustainability standards for biomass – reading across from biofuels</i> David Maunder, Renewable Energy Systems
11:35	<i>Putting principles into practice: designing and implementing sustainability schemes</i> Ausilio Bauen, E4Tech
12:00	Q&A
12:30 - 1.30	Lunch
13:30	Communications and PR Chair: Terry MacAlister, Guardian
13:30	<i>Biofuels communications: Lessons to be learned for other biomass?</i> Alastair Dickie, Home Grown Cereals Authority
13:50	<i>Case study —introduction of RTFO</i> Peter Crowe, Ceres Partnership
14:10	Energy from Waste project—a case study in communications Jim Gannon RPS Group, Dublin
14.30	Q&A
15:00	Tea break
15:30	Closing session Chair: Terry MacAlister, Guardian
15:30	Panel session :- Land use change: an issue for food fibre and biofuels <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mairi Black, Imperial College • Jonathan Scurlock, National Farmers' Union • Rebecca Cowburn, DEFRA • Alastair Dickie, Home Grown Cereals Authority
16:30	Conference ends

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