

INTRODUCTION

After 15 sessions as the leading fair in its sector, **PROMA**, the International Environment Exhibition, has changed and evolved into **GEO2**, the *Sustainable Development Fair*. Innovation and differentiation will provide GEO2 2008 with new content, new items, higher quality and greater return for all participating companies and institutions. The 3 pillars of sustainable development, namely environment and energy, economy and society, will become the true leading players of this inspiring first edition of GEO2 that will be held in the Bilbao Exhibition Centre (**BEC**) from 4 to 7 November 2008.

Within the framework of GEO2 2008, the *Basque Enterprise Europe Network*, the *Cluster Association of Environmental Industries of the Basque Country (ACLIMA)*, the *Energy Cluster Association of the Basque Country* and the *Basque Energy Board (EVE)* will organise, in collaboration with the Sector Groups Intelligent Energy and Environment, a Brokerage Event on Sustainable Development that will take place on **6 and 7 November 2008**.

The Brokerage Event focus on the three sectors that structure the GEO2 exhibition:

1. Sustainable development, Environment and Energy
2. Sustainable development and Economy
3. Sustainable development and Society

Objectives:

The main objective of the event is to create in one place a meeting forum for European companies, research institutes, universities and municipalities that are actively engaged within environment, renewable energy or any other sector related to Sustainable Development.

In prearranged bilateral meetings, the participants will have the opportunity to discuss with potential international partners possibilities of future co-operation in business, technology transfer and European **R&D** projects.

How to participate

1. Register and submit a technology or business co-operation profile online under www.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu/public/bemt/home.cfm?EventID=1757
2. Profiles are published in a constantly updated online Catalogue. A printed copy of the final Catalogue will be handed out to the participants the day of the event.
3. Companies consulting the online Catalogue, may select interesting profiles and request a meeting with the proposing company at any moment. Meeting requests must be confirmed by both sides in order to be scheduled.
4. Each participant will receive a personalised meeting agenda in due time before the event. The duration of each one-to-one meeting will be 30 minutes. The working language is English.

Deadlines:

Registration and submission of profiles: 17 October

Requesting of individual meetings: 24 October

Enterprise Europe Network:

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The Enterprise Europe Network is made up of close to 600 partner organisations located in over 40 countries in the EU Member States and beyond. Whether you need information on EU legislation, help finding a business partner, want to benefit from innovation networks in your region or need information on funding opportunities, this is the place to start. *Basque Enterprise Europe Network* consists of SPRI, Innobasque, Alava Chamber of Commerce, Bilbao Chamber of Commerce, Guipuzcoa Chamber of Commerce, BAI Bizkaia Innovation Agency and Regional Government of Bizkaia.

To find out more information, please visit:

<http://www.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu>
www.eenbasque.net



Info

Programme and Location

The Brokerage Event will take place on 6 November between 10:00 h. and 18:00 h. and on 7 November between 10:00 h. and 13:00 h. at the ACLIMA Joint Stand (Hall 1, E42) in BILBAO EXHIBITION CENTRE (BEC).

BEC

www.bilbaoexhibitioncentre.com/portal/page/portal/GEO2

Bilbao

www.bilbao.net

Cost

Participation in the brokerage is free of charge.

Inscription

Online at www.enterprise-europe-network.ec.europa.eu/public/bemt/home.cfm?EventID=1757

Information

For more information, please visit the website of the event or contact: www.eenbasque.net

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