

## **Global Energy Security – Prospects for Cooperation between Industrial and Emerging Countries**

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Rising energy prices due to vastly growing demand from “rising powers”, a switch from demand to supply driven markets, tendencies to use energy as a “power currency” in international affairs, risks of growing conflict over access to energy resources, and last, but not least the debate over sustainable energy paths flowing from climate change and the scarcity of fossil fuels – all these tendencies have put energy policy on the global agenda. Pressure is mounting to coordinate policies and to lay the foundations and extend the scope for an international energy order. The global dimension of energy supply calls for closer cooperation at the international level, including coordination of economic, security related and environmental aims. Ongoing dialogue between leading industrial and emerging countries is crucial. In the “Petersburg Declaration”, adopted at the St. Petersburg Summit 2006, the G8 countries had agreed upon principles, aims and policies for global energy security. This declaration could be an interesting starting point for discussions over energy policy beyond the G8.

A key outcome of the G8 Summit in Heiligendamm was the arrangement with the so-called O5 countries (China, India, Brazil, Mexico, South Africa) to embark on a high-level dialogue on specific challenges including energy policy, intended to bring about concrete results until the G8 Summit in 2009. In the framework of this “Heiligendamm process”, the opportunity arises to forge a common understanding and policy options for key energy policy challenges, based on the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the Petersburg Declaration.

This high-level dialogue needs to be accompanied by manifold exchanges between experts, consultants and policy makers on different levels. The Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung aims to facilitate this process with an expert meeting, drawing on her broad international network. The aim of this expert meeting is to bring together experts and policy makers partnering with FES in O5 countries with their counterparts in Germany and Europe to identify differing viewpoints and interests in energy security and to broaden common ground.

Key questions for discussions will be

- How to secure affordable supplies of energy for all
- To assess the significance of energy efficiency on the political agendas
- How to secure access to advanced and affordable energy technologies
- How to promote cleaner and renewable energy sources

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN ENGLISH.**

## **Programme Global Energy Security September 19, 2007**

Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung Conference Hall, Hiroshimastr. 17, Berlin-Tiergarten

09:00 Registration

09:15 **Welcome Address**

Pia Bungarten

*Head of Division for International Dialogue, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

### **Session I**

09:30 **Global Energy Security: The „Petersburg Declaration“ as a starting point and the „Heiligendamm Process“ as a framework for international dialogue on energy policy**

Michael Frank

*Division for International Energy Policy, German Federal Foreign Office*

10:00 **Elements for a global, cooperative energy policy**

Berthold Leimbach

*Division for International Dialogue, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

10:15 **European Perspective on Global Energy Security**

Hermann Scheer

*MoP; President of the European Association for Renewable Energy*

#### **Discussion**

**Chair:** Marc Saxer

*Dialogue on Globalization, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

11:00 *Coffee Break*

### **Session II**

11:30 **Global Energy Security: A Perspective from South Africa**

Hilton Lewis Trollip

*Independent Consultant, Johannesburg, South Africa*

**Commentator:** Langa Zita, *MoP, South Africa*

#### **Discussion**

**Chair:** Werner Puschra

*Head, Dep. for Sub-Sahara Africa, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

12:30 *Lunch*

### **Session III**

13:30 **Global Energy Security: Perspectives from Asia**

Xu Qinhua

*Center for International Energy Security, Renmin University, China*

Leena Srivastava

*Executive Director, The Energy and Resources Institute TERI, New Dehli, India*

#### **Discussion**

**Chair:** Daniel Reichart

*Dep. for Asia and the Pacific, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

### **Session IV**

14:45 **Global Energy Security: Perspectives from Latin America**

Luiz Pinguelli Rosa

*Professor for Nuclear Physics, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*

Rosío Vargas

*Centro de Investigaciones sobre América del Norte, UNAM, Mexico*

#### **Discussion**

**Chair:** Berthold Leimbach

*Division for International Dialogue, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

16:00 *Coffee Break*

### **Session V**

16:30 **Roundtable:**

**Common ground and areas of conflicting interests in energy policy between G8 and O5 – Next steps towards a common agenda**

Ulrich Kelber, *MoP, Germany*

Suresh Prabhu, *MoP, India*

Graco Ramirez, *Senator, Mexico*

Paulo Teixeira Ferreira, *MoP, Brazil*

#### **Discussion**

**Chair:** Thomas Manz

*Dialogue on Globalization, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung*

18:30 **Concluding Remarks**

Berthold Leimbach / Thomas Manz

18:45 **Reception**