



# ENGINE

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## Workshop 6

### ***Increasing policy makers' awareness and public acceptance***



## BACKGROUND

The workshop is organised within the framework of the EU ENGINE Coordination Action.

## AIM OF THE WORKSHOP

The aim of the workshop is to bring together experts to exchange ideas on policy makers' awareness and public acceptance on geothermal projects that face strong opposition nowadays from politicians, neighbouring communities or environmental pressure groups.

The focus will be on:

- a. Case studies on policy makers' awareness and public acceptance.
- b. Measures towards the increase of knowledge and flow of information in order to increase the public perception and acceptance.
- c. Environmental impact assessment and public acceptance.
- d. Miscommunication between companies and public.
- e. Non-technical barriers and possible ways to overcome them.

## PLACE

Hotel Holiday Inn,  
50 Michalacopoulou street,  
11528, Athens, Greece

## REGISTRATION AND ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

For registration please use online registration form at:

<http://conferences-engine.brgm.fr/conferenceDisplay.py?confId=7>

Registration deadline:

September 12, 2007

Abstract submission deadline:

September 7, 2007

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## FINAL PROGRAMME

Thursday, September 13, 2007

Opening Speech - I. Agapitidis (CRES)

Keynote Speech – P. Calcagno (BRGM)

9:00-13:30 - Session I:

*Case studies on policy makers  
awareness and public acceptance*

- P. Ungemach (GPC IP) - Policy makers' awareness and public acceptance of geothermal projects in the Paris Basin.
- Z. Sarmiento (FEDCO) - Geothermal Development in Mt. Apo National Park, Mindanao, Philippines.
- S. Sliupa (Institute of Geology and Geography of Lithuania) - Stakeholders involvement in the geothermal projects: Learning from PR experience for geological disposal of the radioactive wastes
- F. Boissier (BRGM) - An Overview of the barriers for sustainable development of GEOTHERMAL ENERGY potential in Nisyros-GR, Pantelleria-I and Guadeloupe-FR Islands.
- M. Monterrosa (LaGeo S.A.) - Geothermal projects in El Salvador and its environmental and social aspects.
- O. Polyzou (CRES) - GEOTHERMAL DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIETY. The case studies of Milos and Nisyros Islands.

- A. Spalek (GFZ Potsdam)- Fair-minded communication in good times pays-off in times of crisis – Experiences of the GFZ research project Gross Schoenebeck, Germany.

- N. Cuenot - (GEIE Exploitation Minière de la Chaleur)- The Soultz EGS project: juridical and administrative environment.

13:30 -15:00 Lunch

15:00 -16:30 -Session II:

*Measures towards the increase of knowledge and flow of information in order to increase the public perception and acceptance*

- J. Ketilsson (National Energy Authority of Iceland) - Effective policy making for sustaining a renewable energy society in Iceland.

- R. Goodman (CSA Group) - GeoThermal Regulations for Heat in Europe

- A. Alkhasov (Institute for Geothermal Researches of Russia) - Significance of the Institute for Geothermal Research in distribution of new knowledge in the field of investigation and development of geothermal resources

20:00 Dinner

Friday, September 14, 2007

9:30-11:00 -Session III:

- C. Lohse ( Federal Environment Agency of Germany)

- S. Frick (GFZ)- Analysis of Environmental Impacts through Geothermal Power Generation in Germany.

- R. Pasquali (CSA Group)- Geothermal Energy for heating and cooling – a roadmap to 2020 (EU-project K4RES-H)

- C. Garcia-Noceda, (IGME) - An educational program on geothermal energy for young people: one way to increase public acceptance.

Round Table Discussion, Workshop conclusions: 11:45 – 13:00

13:00 -14:30 Lunch

14:30 -18:30 : Meeting for WP5 / 8

*Meeting for WP5: 14:30 – 15:30* - "Objectives, Exploitation, economic, environmental and social impacts": Work progress until now, Next actions.

*Meeting for WP8: 15:30 – 18:30-* "Expertise on exploitation, economic, environmental and social impacts" - Chapter 3 of the Best Practice Handbook "Exploitation: Best Practices and Innovation Needs", - Chapter 4 of the Best Practice Handbook "Economic, Environmental and Social impact", - Chapter 3 of the European Reference Manual for the development of Unconventional Geothermal Resources and Enhanced Geothermal Systems