

## Invitation

Climate change is one of the greatest environmental, social and economic threats to the planet. The European Union and its Member States see themselves as being at the forefront of international efforts to combat climate change and have played a key role in the development of the Kyoto protocol. However, Kyoto is only a first step. Ambitious action is needed to reduce European carbon emissions and to promote an international agreement to reduce global emissions after 2012, when Kyoto's targets expire, in order to limit global warming to 2°C. The fight against climate change can be considered as the next big project for the EU.

The 1st European Sustainability Academy addresses the tightly related issues of European action against global warming, the transformation of European economies towards low carbon economies and energy security of the European Union and its Member States.

The participants will

- ◇ discuss the political and economic challenges linked to the different internal and external, environmental and economic dimensions of a European energy policy
- ◇ analyse the action of the EU and its Member States against global warming
- ◇ be informed about academic and methodological research approaches
- ◇ have the opportunity to present their own research projects on aspects of European energy and climate change policy - the best project will receive the "European Sustainability Award" sponsored by the ASKO EUROPA-STIFTUNG

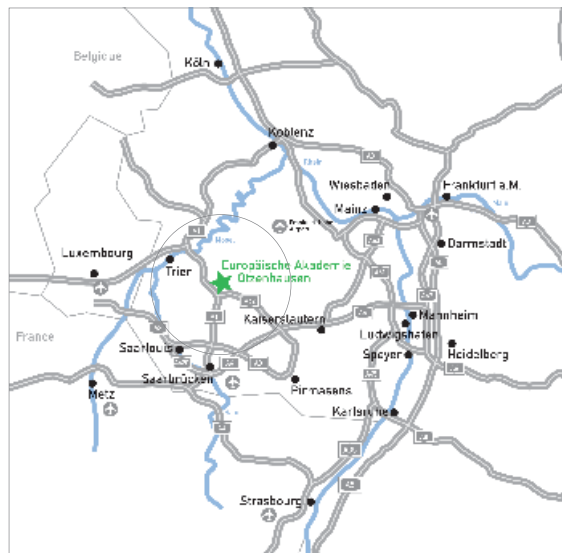
The programme offers

- ◇ academic lectures as well as presentations by high civil servants and politicians closely involved in European policy-making
- ◇ a study trip to the "Energielandschaft Morbach" (Renewable energy park)
- ◇ visits to the city of Trier and the "Celtic Circular Wall" in Otzenhausen

This European Sustainability Academy is organized by the European Academy of Otzenhausen gGmbH, the Institut für Europäische Politik (IEP, Berlin) and the University of Trier in close collaboration with the ASKO EUROPA-STIFTUNG (Saarbrücken).

## Itinerary

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- ◇ Saarbrücken-Ensheim
- ◇ Luxembourg
- ◇ Frankfurt/Hahn or
- ◇ Frankfurt/Main



- ◇ From the north and the east: direction Mainz
- ◇ From the south and the west: direction Saarbrücken
- ◇ destination: Türkismühle (take bus nr. R200 to Otzenhausen)

## Programme

### Sunday, 24 August '08

Until 18:00 Arrival of the students and check-in  
19:00 Welcome dinner

### Monday, 25 August '08

09:30 Welcome address  
Prof. Dr. Joachim Schild, University of Trier /  
European Academy of Otzenhausen  
Dr. Michael Meimeth, ASKO EUROPA-STIFTUNG,  
Saarbrücken  
Prof. Dr. Mathias Jopp, Institut für Europäische  
Politik, Berlin

10:00-12:00 Getting to know each other / Getting familiar with  
the European Academy  
Severin Fischer (IEP)/ Dr. Elisabeth Schmitt (EAO)

14:00 Opening Speech  
Stefan Mörsdorf, Minister of Environment, Regional  
Government of the Saarland

14:30-18:30 European energy policy and climate change:  
Where do we stand?  
Andris Piebalgs, Commissioner for Energy, Member  
of the European Commission, Brussels (invited)

### Tuesday, 26 August '08

09:00-10:00 Towards a comprehensive European energy  
security strategy  
Dr. Friedemann Müller, Stiftung Wissenschaft und  
Politik (SWP), Berlin

10:30-12:00 Comment  
Prof. Dr. Mathias Jopp, Institut für Europäische  
Politik, Berlin

14:00-15:30 The importance of renewable energies  
Matthias Groote MEP, European Parliament,  
Brussels (invited)

16:00 Visit to the "Celtic Circular Wall" of Otzenhausen

19:00 Dinner BBQ

### Wednesday, 27 August '08

09:00 A sustainable energy policy for Europe: strategies  
and approaches  
Dr. Oliver Geden, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik  
(SWP), Berlin

10:30-12:00 Discussion

14:00-15:00 Energy policy and sustainable development  
PD Dr. habil. Kai Rommel, EnBW Energie Baden-  
Württemberg AG, Project director "Energy  
economics", Berlin

16:00-18:30 Project presentation of participants

## Programme

### Thursday, 28 August '08

09:00-10:00 The economic analysis of energy policy  
Prof. Marc Oliver Bettzüge, Director of the Institute  
for Energy Economics, University of Cologne

10:30-12:00 Discussion

14:00-15:00 Facts of climate change: findings and recommen-  
dations  
Prof. Hans Joachim Schellnhuber CEB, Potsdam,  
Institut für Klimafolgenforschung (PIK) (invited)

16:00-18.30 Project presentation of participants

20:30 Bowling championship (optional)

### Friday, 29 August '08

09:00-12:00 Successes and failures in energy efficiency  
strategies across Europe  
Dr. Stefan Thomas, Wuppertal Institute for Climate,  
Environment and Energy, Director of the Research  
Group on "Energy, Transport and Climate Policy"

13:30-15:00 N.N. Keynote Speech

15:15 Departure for the

16:15 Guided visit to the "Energiewirtschaft Morbach"  
(Morbach Renewable Energy Park)

18:30 Return to EAO

19:30 Farewell dinner

### Saturday, 30 August '08

09:00 The EU, the Kyoto process and beyond: What can  
be learned from past experiences?  
Prof. Dr. Sebastian Oberthür, Free University of  
Brussels (tbc)

11:30 Evaluation of the Summer Academy

14:00 The way forward - What future for the European  
energy and climate change policy?

16:30 Awarding of diplomas and the "European  
Sustainability Award"

17:30 Bus transfer to Trier / Free time in Trier

### Sunday, 31 August '08

About 9:30 Check-out of the students

## Others

- a study trip to the "Energiewirtschaft Morbach"
- visit to the city of Trier
- walk to the "Celtic Circular Wall" of Otzenhausen

## Information/Enrolment

### Venue

European Academy of Otzenhausen (EAO)  
Europahausstrasse  
66620 Nonnweiler/Germany

### Participants

Graduate students, PhD students and young researchers in  
Political Science, European Studies and Economics

### Partners

Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin (IEP)  
ASKO EUROPA-STIFTUNG, Saarbrücken (AES)  
University of Trier

### Responsibility

Prof. Dr. Mathias Jopp, Director of the Institut für Europäische  
Politik, Berlin  
Prof. Dr. Joachim Schild, Professor of Political Science,  
University of Trier/Director of the European Academy of  
Otzenhausen

### Coordination

Dr. Elisabeth Schmitt, European Academy of Otzenhausen  
Severin Fischer, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

### Working language

English

### Participation fee and service

250 Euro  
Accommodation in twin rooms/full board and lodging  
Partial reimbursement of travel costs

### Application deadline: 1 June 2008

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