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Summary



Special Session: Fukushima - Facts and Consequences Wednesday, September 7th, 13.30-15.30

After the nuclear accident in Fukushima in March 2011, the demand for the development of a new global energy policy is now stronger than ever. In what way did the events in Fukushima change the world? What are the impacts of the incident on our future energy policies and how can we benefit from them?

At WEC 2011, facts and consequences will be discussed in a special session dedicated to the Fukushima accident on Wednesday, September 7th. The following experts from Japan, France, Germany and the US are invited to share their ideas and findings on energy, environment and nuclear safety:

Dr. Okada Sohei, Executive Director, Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA)

Okada Sohei has been part of the board of executive directors of JAEA since 2007. JAEA concentrates on basic research and development of nuclear fusion energy as well as nuclear safety.

Prof. Hideki Nariai, President of the Japan Nuclear Energy Safety Organization JNES

JNES' mission is to ensure nuclear energy safety by analysing and evaluating nuclear power plants and nuclear reactor facilities. They collect and supply information in order to maintain safety in the framework of utilizing energy.

Mr. Leonard Bond, Founding Director of the Center for Advanced Energy Studies (CAES) at the Idaho National Laboratory in the USA

Leonard Bond founded the CAES in June 2005. It is a partnership

between the Idaho National Laboratory and the state of Idaho. The CAES is committed to the country's and Idaho's energy challenges, with emphasis on nuclear energy.

Mr. François Billon from ONET Technologies in France

ONET focuses on a variety of tasks such as nuclear measurement systems, maintenance of reactors and specific training in the nuclear field. They also work in environmental management, dismantlement and waste treatment, especially in the nuclear industry.

Mr. Georges Servières, Senior Nuclear Advisor, EDF, in France

As the world's leading nuclear energy company, EDF is committed to investing in sustainable industrial growth by leading the nuclear revival and fostering the development of renewable energies and energy efficiency.

Mr. Klaus Toepfer, Former German Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety

Klaus Toepfer is a German politician and environmental politics expert. From 1998 to 2006, he was executive director of the United Nations Environment Programme. He is known for his personal commitment to promote environment and sustainable development.

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The complete WEC 2011 program is now available online. Notable keynote speakers will address topics and challenges currently affecting our world.

Highlights:

Monday, September 5th - Global Challenges

Opening of WEC 2011: Participants will be welcomed by Doris Leuthard, Federal Councillor of Switzerland and Head of the Federal Department of the Environment, Transport, Energy and Communications DETEC, and by representatives from UNESCO, IEA and WFEO.

Round table with government representatives from different countries, including Switzerland, China and the USA.

Presentations, for example by André Borschberg, CEO and co-founder of Solar Impulse

Tuesday, September 6th – Education in Engineering, Mobility and Transportation, Buildings and Megacities

Presentations and discussions, among others with:

Lino Guzella, Professor of Thermotronics, ETH Zurich
Professor Werner Sobek, Illinois Institute of Technology and University of Stuttgart

Torston Fransson, Royal Institute of Technology, Sweden
Professor Hiroshi Komiyama, former President of the University of

Tokyo

Presentations of around 80 papers held by researchers and engineers from all over the world.

Special sessions on the subject of current challenges from the point of view of the USA, China and Japan

Wednesday, September 7th – Power Plants and Networks, Renewable Energy and Storage, Rational End Use

Presentations and discussions, among others with:

Professor Anke Kaysser-Pyzalla, Helmholtz-Zentrum, Berlin
Jefferson W. Tester, Croll Professor of Sustainable Energy Systems

Dr. Chan Fuk-Cheung, Senior Vice President, The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers

Presentations of around 40 papers held by researchers and engineers from all over the world.

Closing Ceremony, passing of the "Declaration of Geneva"

Special Session "Fukushima – Facts and Consequences"

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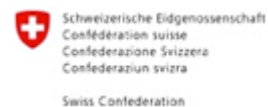


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