



DHC+ TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM WORKSHOP *SETTING THE AGENDA*

Dear Sir,

Members of the **DHC + Technology Platform** are very pleased to invite you to the platform's upcoming workshop held from **7 – 8 October 2008** in **Mannheim**, hosted by MVV Energie.

This workshop shall represent a central step in the establishment of an agenda for DHC + Technology Platform activities for the period to come. The workshop shall also provide a perfect occasion to brainstorm and gather ideas on topics that are central to district heating and cooling (DHC) and affiliated technologies; both in their relation to the future and to each other.

We strongly value your participation in this important event. We are convinced that the DHC + Technology Platform has the potential of becoming a central vehicle in synergising our common research and innovation efforts. We are likewise convinced of the significance of your organization's contribution to this process. For this, we look forward to welcome you in Mannheim in order that we can work on establishing a fruitful cooperation for the future.

With kind regards,

Nikolai Pushkarev
Secretary DHC + Technology Platform



PROGRAM

DHC+ TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM WORKSHOP: Setting the agenda

DAY 1 [7 October 2008]

- 10.00 Arrival, coffee & breakfast
- 10.30 **WELCOME** (MVV Energie)
- 10.45 – 11.15 **OPENING SESSION:** historical build-up towards TP, organizational decisions reached, introduction into program of the workshop (Euroheat & Power)
- VISION FOR DHC**
- 11.15 – 11.30 Presentation of work on Vision document (Vision TF)
- 11.30 – 13.00 Two groups discussing Vision for DHC (Die Ideeologen)
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.30 **CHALLENGES AND NEEDS FOR THE FUTURE**
Two groups discussing Challenges and Needs for the Future (Die Ideeologen)
- 15.30 – 16.00 Coffee break
- 16.00 – 17.30 **SOLUTIONS AND IDEAS FOR THE FUTURE**
Two groups discussing Solutions and Ideas for the Future (Die Ideeologen)
- 17.30 – 18.30 **SUMMING UP & DISCUSSION** (Workshop TF + Die Ideeologen)
- 19.30 Social Program & Dinner (MVV Energie)

DAY 2 [8 October 2008]

- RESEARCH PRIOTIES**
- 09.00 – 09.30 Introduction into 18 research dimensions (Sven Werner, Robin Wiltshire)
- 09.30 – 09.45 Voting on priority research dimension and division of participants into (approx. three) interest groups in accordance with the vote (Euroheat & Power)
- 09.45 – 11.00 **PROJECT / COMMON ACTIVITY**
Each of groups works on elaborating an idea for common project or research & innovation-related activity (Workshop TF)
- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30 – 12.15 **PROJECT / COMMON ACTIVITY**
(continued)
- 12.15 – 13.00 **PRESENTATION OF IDEAS** (Workshop TF)
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 16.00 **STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Overview of the program

The first day will be a brainstorming day, intended to discuss and further develop thoughts on three crucial topics:

1. Vision for DHC: how should DHC ideally look like in 2050; what societal functions should it fulfil; what are the best thinkable synergies with other technologies?
2. Challenges and needs: what are the perceived challenges and needs DHC will have to overcome in the years ahead?
3. Solutions and ideas: what concrete solutions can be proposed to tackle the expected challenges, what are the directions to take in order to arrive at expansion of the sectors?

Discussion will primarily be conducted in two rotating groups of around 15 persons each led by professional moderators from company 'die Ideeologen'. The function of the moderators is to increase the effectiveness of brainstorming and help generate new ideas and perspectives.

The second day is meant to concretely establish which work items and/or projects can be initiated within the framework of the platform. Those with priority interests in similar research and innovation topics will have the opportunity to gather and develop proposals for common activities in the chosen sphere. The outcome of this session is that several proposals for work items will be presented and taken further into action.

The workshop will be closed off with a meeting of the Technology Platform Steering Committee which will draw conclusions from the two days and, based on the outcomes of the sessions, shall decide on instituting Task Forces and setting time frames for the selected activities.

The Steering Committee is the central decision-making organ of the platform and its meeting is reserved for committed members only. In case before, or during the workshop, you should decide to commit and join the platform as member, you are of course welcome to participate. Participation in Task Forces is open without Steering Committee membership.

Participation

Participation in the workshop is free of charge.

For any questions related to the event and for registration, you are welcome to contact the secretary of the Technology Platform Nikolai Pushkarev at: nikolai.pushkarev@euroheat.org
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