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Under the Patronage of MEP Constanze Angela Krehl, EREC kindly invites you to an Evening Debate with the title

Implementation of decentralised Renewable Energy actions in rural areas & the role of European Structural Funding

10 October 2006

**Renewable Energy House, Rue d'Arlon 63-65, 1040 Brussels
at 19h00**

Welcome note: **Constanze Angela Krehl**, MEP
Christine Lins, Secretary General, EREC

Speakers: European Commission, t.b.c.
Christian Epp, Project coordinator, WIP-Renewable Energies, Germany
Vladimíra Henelová, ENVIROS, Renewable Energy expert, Czech Republic
Juraj Zamkovský, Priatel'ia Zeme-CEPA, Project developer, Slovakia

Many pilot projects have shown the economic and environmental benefits Renewable Energy actions can bring to remote rural areas of Europe. However, the implementation of decentralised renewable energy actions requires support and reliable funding mechanisms. The European Cohesion Policy can inter alia meet such requirements during the upcoming funding period 2007 - 2013.

The EU project "Energy 4 Cohesion" (more information on www.e4c.org) supports the extended use of Structural and Cohesion Funds for sustainable energy actions in the rural environment. Therefore, this ALTENER action highlights the opportunities and threats for the extended use of Structural Funds to implement innovative energy actions in the rural environment and searches the dialogue with decision makers on the European level.

We have pleasure in inviting you to a buffet dinner following the debate!

Please send your reply form before 6 October 2006 to: braun@erec-renewables.org

Please note that this event will be held in English only.

Kind regards,

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President of EREC – European Renewable Energy Council
