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The weekly newsletter from the *associate*
Parliamentary Renewable and Sustainable Energy Group



This newsletter is produced by PRASEG for distribution to members once a week. PRASEG seeks to provide readers with news and parliamentary information related to renewable and sustainable energy issues.

PRASEG is a cross-party parliamentary group with 126 parliamentary and 250 industry members. If you would like to become a member, please contact Rose Dickinson, the PRASEG Coordinator, at info@praseg.org.uk. For further information on the group, visit the PRASEG website at www.praseg.org.uk.

2010: This Week's Headlines...

Chris Huhne fights Treasury to save his climate department

[BusinessGreen](#) - [Guardian](#)

Huhne urged to fight Treasury feed-in tariff review

[BusinessGreen](#) - [NewEnergyFocus](#)

World's largest offshore wind farm opens today

[NewEnergyFocus](#) - [Renewable Energy Focus](#) - [Guardian](#) - [Edie](#) - [Kent Online](#) - [Daily Mail](#) - [24Dash](#) - [Independent](#)

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Upcoming PRASEG Events

PRASEG and Green Alliance Seminar Renewables and energy security in an age of austerity

Speakers: Charles Hendry MP, Minister of State, Department of Energy and Climate Change;
Caroline Lucas MP;
Date: Tuesday, 19th October 2010
Time: 17:00 - 19:00
Location: Committee Room 12, House of Commons

Date for the Diary! PRASEG and APSRG Seminar Energy from Waste: Realising the potential. Anaerobic Digestion and Beyond

Speakers: Lord Taylor of Holbeach, Government Spokesperson for Energy and Climate Change
Date: 7th December 2010
Time: 15:00 - 17:00
Location: Portcullis House, Boothroyd Room

Date for the Diary! PRASEG Seminar Planning reform: implications for renewables

Date: 2nd November 2010
Time: 16:00 - 18:00
Location: Committee room 17
Speakers: Helen Phillips, CEO, Natural England



Date for the Diary! PRASEG Christmas Reception Wednesday, 8th December 2010 12:30 - 15.00, House of Commons Terrace (Marquee)



Speaker: Charles Hendry MP, Minister of State, Department of Energy and Climate Change

2. RECENT NEWS ARTICLES AND PRESS RELEASES

Headline news



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Chris Huhne fights Treasury to save his climate department - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Chris Huhne's climate department is under threat from the Treasury which wants to swallow it up, [BusinessGreen](#) - [Guardian](#) -

Huhne urged to fight Treasury feed-in tariff review - Mon, 20th September 2010

Fears mount that Treasury review could trim "extremely generous" feed-in tariff scheme, [BusinessGreen](#) - [NewEnergyFocus](#)

World's largest offshore wind farm opens today - Weds, 23rd September 2010

The world's largest offshore wind farm off the coast of Kent is to be officially opened today in a ceremony attended by energy secretary Chris Huhne, [NewEnergyFocus](#) - [Renewable Energy Focus](#) - [Guardian](#) - [Edie](#) - [Kent Online](#) - [Daily Mail](#) - [24Dash](#) - [Independent](#)

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Other news

Top University And NHS Trust Are First To Use London Mayor Boris Johnson's Energy Efficiency Framework - Fri, 24th September 2010

The University of London and Newham University Hospital NHS Trust are the first public sector bodies in London to use the Mayor's RE:FIT framework to retrofit public buildings with energy saving measures to cut carbon emissions, [eGov](#)

Queen tried to use state poverty fund to heat Buckingham Palace - Fri, 24th September 2010

Ministers were asked if money earmarked for schools, hospitals and low-income families could be used to meet soaring fuel bills, [Independent](#)

EDF, Constellation Said in Talks to Save U.S. Nuclear Venture - Fri, 24th September 2010

Electricite de France SA, Europe's biggest utility, and Constellation Energy Group Inc. are in talks to avoid the collapse of their U.S. nuclear venture, according to two people with knowledge of the discussions, [Bloomberg](#)

Britons paying more on energy bills due to plethora of tariffs- Fri, 24th September 2010

Britons are paying more than they need to on their energy bills because there are too many tariffs to choose from, new research has disclosed, [Telegraph](#)

California Adopts Strongest U.S. Standard on Renewable Power Production - Fri, 24th September 2010

First Solar Inc. is among the renewable-energy equipment makers that may gain after California regulators approved a rule that would require state utilities to get a third of their power from solar, wind and other renewable sources by 2020, the most ambitious standard in the U.S, [Bloomberg](#)

Business could be hit by new green tax - Fri, 24th September 2010

Thousands of Britain's businesses could be hit by a new green tax to help raise money for the Treasury, a leading advisory body to the Government has warned, [Telegraph](#)

Government urged to redesign CRC scheme - Fri, 24th September 2010

The Committee on Climate Change (CCC) has today (September 23) urged the government to reconsider introducing a cap for the second phase of the Carbon Reduction Commitment in an effort to prevent over complicating the already "very complex" scheme, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Pressure mounts on DECC to save RHI - Fri, 24th September 2010



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More trade bodies have joined in the call for the Renewable Heat Incentive to go ahead, as pressure mounts on the Department of Energy and Climate Change to ensure the scheme survives the forthcoming Spending Review, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Low-Emission Shale Gas to Discourage Nuclear, Carbon Capture, Chatham Says - Fri, 24th September 2010

Cheap, low-emission shale gas, with double the global reserves of conventional sources, will discourage investment in nuclear reactors and carbon storage that would fight climate change, a British study shows, [Bloomberg](#)

Future of Renewables Advisory Board in doubt - Fri, 24th September 2010

The future of the Renewables Advisory Board, which advises the energy secretary on renewables policy, is thought to be in doubt after a leaked list of the government's plans for cutting quangos showed it was set to be abolished, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Huhne praises "tremendous" Thanet offshore wind farm - Fri, 24th September 2010

Energy secretary Chris Huhne heaped praise on the Thanet Offshore Wind Farm at its official opening yesterday as a "big step" towards meeting the UK's renewable energy goals, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Climate Committee tells government to simplify CRC - Fri, 24th September 2010

Committee on Climate Change recommends dropping proposals that would cap carbon allowances for firms covered by the CRC scheme, [BusinessGreen](#)

BP spill released 4.4m barrels of oil into the ocean, study finds - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Scientists use underwater video of the gushing well to tackle one of the "known unknowns" of the BP oil spill, [Guardian](#)

Heat is on in Spain's coal state aid case - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

The European Commission will decide next week whether to authorise Spain's subsidies for its coal sector, amid warnings that giving the green light would scupper the EU's plans to phase out subsidies to unprofitable coal mines, [EurActiv](#)

Farm waste: Worth its weight in gold? - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Collecting agricultural residues could prove a lucrative business for Europe's farming sector if EU policy were to offer the right incentives for using biomass to produce biofuels, [EurActiv](#)

British firms miss out as world's biggest offshore windfarm opens off UK coast - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Blow to UK green technology industry as less than 20% of £900m investment in Thanet windfarm goes to British firms, [Guardian](#)

UK cuts ribbon on world's largest offshore wind farm - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Vattenfall's 300MW Thanet wind farm means the UK now has more offshore wind capacity than all other countries combined, [BusinessGreen](#)

What psychology can teach us about our response to climate change - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Calls to 'save the planet' or 'do it for our grandchildren' do not engage people, says psychology professor, [Guardian](#)

UK winning fight to soften international scrutiny of offshore drilling - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Attempt by Germany to introduce independent reviewing of 15 countries' drilling practices appears to be quashed, [Guardian](#)



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George Monbiot's despairing requiem for the planet - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

George Monbiot is right to highlight politics as the main blocker to action on climate change (Climate change enlightenment was fun while it lasted. But now it's dead, 21 September). It's only a shame it's taken him and many others so long to recognise what the evidence has been saying for some time, [Guardian](#)

UK wind hits 5 GW mark - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

The wind energy industry in the UK is today celebrating a milestone of 5GW of installed wind energy capacity, [Renewable Energy Focus](#)

UK shipping emissions 'up to six times higher than calculated' - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Britain has incorrectly calculated its sea freight emissions by only including fuel sold at UK ports, report warns, [Guardian](#)

Scotland's marine energy sector surges ahead with latest leasing round - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Crown Estate plans to offer further leases for wave and tidal energy projects in connection with Scottish government's £10m Saltire Prize, [BusinessGreen](#)

Scotland raises renewable electricity target - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

By 2020, 80% of Scottish electricity consumption to come from renewable sources, [Renewable Energy Focus](#)

Pressure mounting for Rajendra Pachauri to resign as IPCC head - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Pressure is mounting for Rajendra Pachauri to resign as head of the UN climate change panel over fears that his increasingly troubled tenure is hampering efforts to halt global warming, [Telegraph](#)

World's largest offshore wind farm opens off Kent - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Britain is set to generate more energy from offshore wind than the rest of the planet put together, after the opening of the world's biggest ocean wind farm off Kent, [Telegraph](#)

Ofgem to investigate claims that grid charges penalise Scottish renewables - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Energy regulator will review 'locational charges' paid by power companies for putting power onto grid, [BusinessGreen](#)

UK wind power reaches 5GW mark - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

UK wind energy has today (September 23) passed the 5GW energy generation mark creating enough electricity for almost three million homes a year, [Ede](#)

UK reaches 5GW of installed wind landmark - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

RenewableUK has revealed that the UK has 5.1GW of wind energy generating capacity installed, after the 300MW Thanet offshore wind farm came on-stream today, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Nimbies overcome as villages get the 'right to build' - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

People living in rural villages will be able to build on local green belt land without planning permission as long as three quarters of the community agree, the Government has announced, [Telegraph](#)

Scotland's renewables target lifted to 80% - Thurs, 23rd September 2010

Scottish First Minister Alex Salmond has today (September 23) announced that Scotland's renewable electricity target for 2020 is being raised from 50% to 80%, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Reusing industrial heat can cut our emissions - Weds, 22nd September 2010

WHEN policymakers look at how we reduce our carbon emissions, the focus is often on electricity,



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WalesOnline

Get your hands off our DECC - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Green business leaders must act quickly to defend the Department of Energy and Climate Change from cuts that threaten to neuter the UK's low-carbon policy, [BusinessGreen](#)

Greenpeace claims activists could occupy Shetland oil-drilling ship for up to a month - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Environmental activists aiming to prevent Chevron's deepwater drilling have attached a 'survival pod' to the vessel's anchor, [Guardian](#)

Ofgem to investigate claims that grid charges penalise Scottish renewables - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Energy regulator will review 'locational charges' paid by power companies for putting power onto grid, [Guardian](#)

Huhne highlights key role for CHP - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Energy secretary Chris Huhne has today (September 22) highlighted the relevance of renewable and low-carbon combined heat and power (CHP) during a visit to the renewable energy centre at the Museum of Liverpool, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Cancún talks may not reach a deal but there are still reasons for optimism - Weds, 22nd September 2010

There is time to agree a new commitment period of the Kyoto protocol from 2012 if rich countries face their responsibilities, [Guardian](#)

Green businesses leap to defend DECC from Treasury takeover - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Business leaders fear proposal to make DECC and Treasury share offices could undermine climate change agenda, [BusinessGreen](#)

Huhne praises CHP on visit to Liverpool - Weds, 22nd September 2010

The green credentials of the newly built Museum of Liverpool have been praised by energy secretary Chris Huhne, [Edie](#)

Cheer as Cairn strikes first oil off Greenland - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Investors yesterday welcomed news that Cairn Energy, the Edinburgh-based explorer, had struck oil for the first time off the coast of Greenland, [Scotsman](#)

Renewables mergers and acquisitions boom but finance remains a deal breaker - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Renewable energy merger and acquisition activity remained strong in 2009 despite difficult conditions, [UtilityWeek](#)

Good practice for wind farms and peatlands agreed - Weds, 22nd September 2010

The renewable energy industry has teamed up with conservation groups in Scotland to agree new good practice principles in an effort to encourage the development of wind farms while maximising the protection and restoration of peatlands, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Solar Doubling, Gas Glut Drive Down German Power Prices: Energy Markets - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Solar power may almost double in Germany this year just as a natural gas glut sends electricity prices to near five-month lows, [Bloomberg](#)



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Parliament approves rules to secure gas supply - Weds, 22nd September 2010

The European Parliament yesterday (21 September) endorsed a new regulation to prop up Europe's preparedness to deal with gas supply crises, [EurActiv](#)

Sharp aims to use acquisition to build solar one-stop-shop - Weds, 22nd September 2010

Electronic giant announces \$305m deal to acquire US solar outfit Recurrent Energy, [BusinessGreen](#)

EIB lends Scotia £250 million for gas network upgrades - Weds, 22nd September 2010

The European Investment Bank has agreed a £250 million loan to Scotland Gas Networks and Southern Gas Networks for gas network replacement, reinforcement and expansion, [UtilityWeek](#)

Solarcentury takes crown as UK's fastest-growing energy firm - Tues, 21st September 2010

Solar panel specialist emerges as only energy firm to make it on to *The Sunday Times* Tech Track 100 Report, [BusinessGreen](#)

Liberal Democrat Conference: Chris Huhne says 'green jobs' will offset drag from budget cuts - Tues, 21st September 2010

A plan to create almost 250,000 jobs in green industries will offset the economic "drag anchor" of budget cuts, Energy and Climate Change Secretary Chris Huhne said today, [Telegraph](#)

The PPP potential - Tues, 21st September 2010

Public private partnerships could help public bodies beat the spending cuts to invest in low carbon technologies, [Guardian](#)

Cairn Energy announces Greenland oil find - Tues, 21st September 2010

Cairn Energy's oil discovery in pristine waters off Greenland is likely to alarm environmentalists, [Guardian](#)

Progress on hydropower 'clouded with uncertainty' - Tues, 21st September 2010

Much greater clarity and long-term thinking is needed from government on hydropower as uncertainty will hinder progress, the British Hydropower Association (BHA) has today (September 21) warned, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Huhne must 'stand firm' on Feed-in Tariffs - Tues, 21st September 2010

The Feed-in Tariff (FiT) is achieving its key objective of ensuring the financial attractiveness of small-scale renewable energy without creating an unnecessary cost burden for energy consumers, a report published today (September 21) by Friends of the Earth has claimed, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Britain will be 'Europe's fastest improving pupil' on renewables - Tues, 21st September 2010

By the end of this Parliament, Britain will be Europe's fastest improving pupil when it comes to renewables, and no longer the "dunce in the corner", energy secretary Chris Huhne has today (September 21) claimed, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Energy suppliers charged inflated prices in gas boiler scrappage scheme - Tues, 21st September 2010

Figures show big energy suppliers charged on average a third more than independent traders, [Guardian](#)

Wind farm to fund UK's 'first' renewables apprenticeship scheme - Tues, 21st September 2010

A scheme that will see funds from a proposed wind farm pay for 150 renewables apprenticeships was agreed yesterday, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

Financiers prepared to back "competitive" CCS - Tues, 21st September 2010

Technology must demonstrate it can be competitive without public funds, say investors, [BusinessGreen](#)



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Huhne pledges green revolution to combat "challenge of a generation" - Tues, 21st September 2010
Energy and Climate Change Secretary outlines Green Deal to insulate homes along with promised improvement in volume of renewable energy, [BusinessGreen](#)

Democrats and Republicans promise bipartisan push for renewable energy standard - Tues, 21st September 2010
In what could prove to be an historic breakthrough, a bipartisan group of senators believes it can work together to pass clean energy legislation, [BusinessGreen](#)

Huhne faces rough ride over coalition's green u-turns - Tues, 21st September 2010
Energy and climate change secretary can expect some tough questions after coalition reneges on promise to make possession of illegal timber a criminal offence, [BusinessGreen](#)

'Consistent' prices needed for UK marine energy - Mon, 20th September 2010
The UK government should consider implementing a consistent price for marine energy if the sector is to repeat the success of the Danish wind market, according to a report published by wave energy developer Aquamarine Power, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

EU warns of gas shortage in Poland - Mon, 20th September 2010
Poland may face natural gas shortages later this year as a result of delays in signing a long-term gas supply deal with Russia, the European Commission said on 17 September, [EurActiv](#)

CCS investors want performance guarantees and say clean coal must be competitive without subsidies - Mon, 20th September 2010
The finance sector will only invest in carbon capture and storage (CCS) if three prerequisites are addressed claims a study funded by the Global CCS Institute, [UtilityWeek](#)

Where there's bugs, there's brass: UK firm lands \$500m biofuel contract - Mon, 20th September 2010
TMO Renewables wins contract with US firm Fiberight using its 'turbo-charged' GM bacteria that convert rubbish into biofuels, [Guardian](#)

Renewables industry 'likely to feel loss' of regional strategies - Mon, 20th September 2010
The renewables industry will see "some babies lost with the bathwater" when the Regional Development Agencies are replaced with the government's new Local Enterprise Partnerships, a leading trade association has warned, [NewEnergyFocus](#)

President Barack Obama's Yucca Mountain decision is a blow to US nuclear power - Mon, 20th September 2010
US President Barack Obama appeared to deal a decisive blow to America's nuclear power industry earlier this year, when he pulled the funding for a nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain, [Telegraph](#)

Environmental Groups Sue European Union for Lack of Biofuels Transparency - Mon, 20th September 2010
Four environmental groups are suing the regulator of the 27-nation European Union for lack of transparency on its biofuels policy, [Bloomberg](#)

Nuclear 'key' to Britain's energy future, says Centrica's Roger Carr - Mon, 20th September 2010
Roger Carr, chairman of Centrica, has warned that Britain has to wake up to its future reliance on nuclear energy if it wants "to keep the lights on," [Telegraph](#)

National Grid chief Steve Holliday believes bills will have to go up to pay for a greener world - Mon, 20th September 2010



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Steve Holliday loves following the England rugby team. He looks like he could play for the first XV too. So, when the chief executive of the UK's National Grid says he's "hugely annoyed", people tend to pay attention, [Telegraph](#)

Coalition drops further green pledges on timber and renewables - Mon, 20th September 2010

Government has reneged on pre-election promises to tackle illegally logged timber imports and reward green energy 'pioneers', [Guardian](#)

China resorts to blackouts in pursuit of energy efficiency - Sun, 19th September 2010

With end of current five-year plan looming, many regions are desperately pulling the plug to meet usage targets, [Guardian](#)

Huge rise in Scottish emissions of world's most destructive greenhouse gas - Sun, 19th September 2010

Scottish emissions of the most powerful greenhouse gas have increased dramatically over the last 15 years, dwarfing the reductions in carbon dioxide achieved over the same period, [HeraldScotland](#)

E.ON shocked as Antwerp coal plant blocked - Fri, 17th September 2010

German energy major E.ON said on Friday that a Belgian decision to refuse an environmental permit for a 1.1GW coal plant was a "complete surprise," [ICIS](#)

China's Pathway Towards a Low Carbon Economy CCICED Policy Research Report 2009 - Wed, 15th September 2010

The move towards a low carbon economy is inevitable for China if it is to realize its development goals, [WBCSD](#)

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3. RECENT REPORTS AND PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITY

Parliamentary Report - Commons

Parliament is in recess

Select Committees

The Energy and Climate Change Committee will hold a one off evidence session on the Effect on Energy Usage of Extending British Summer Time. The deadline for the submission of written evidence is Friday 15 October 2010. Please click [here](#) for further information.

Recent Reports

Aquamarine Power report: Green Energy out of the Blue - 20th September 2010

The UK Government should consider implementing a consistent price for marine energy and resolve grid access issues if the UK marine energy industry is to repeat the success of the Danish wind industry, according to a report published by wave energy developer Aquamarine Power today [19 September 2010]. A combination of an early, clear and consistent price support for wind energy, together with favourable grid access conditions, enabled Denmark to capitalise on its early mover advantage and build a global export market worth nearly €6 billion in 2008.

Click [here](#) to access the report



Friends of the Earth report: FIT for the Future - September 2010

In this report, Arup has provided a comprehensive and independent analysis of the impact of the feed-in tariff on the financial performance of the full range of technologies covered by the policy (and the still in progress Renewable Heat Incentive) and across the range of scales covered by the FIT. Crucially they have also examined how the ownership - by a household, community, commercial or public - might affect its financial performance. To our knowledge, this study is unique in its breadth and scope of analysis, even pointing out for each scenario a set of possible

Click [here](#) to access the report

Committee on Climate Change report: The CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme - advice to Government on the second phase - Friday, 24th September 2010

The CRC was introduced in April 2010 and specifically targets the emissions associated with electricity and heat use in large public and private sector organisations, and covers around 10% of the UK's greenhouse gas emissions. In January 2010, the Committee was asked by Government to provide advice on the level of the cap for the second phase. This report sets out our advice on the setting of the cap, and our recommendations on some aspects of the scheme's design.

Click [here](#) to access the report

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4. EXTERNAL EVENTS OF INTEREST

Carbon Connect Inquiry

Event: Inquiry session examining private sector investment opportunities created by Feed-in-Tariffs.

Date: Wednesday 13th October 2010

Time: 10.00am - 12.00pm

Location: Portcullis House, Westminster

Description: Carbon Connect is conducting a research inquiry to examine how private sector organisations can develop sustainable business strategies that reduce GHG emissions and stimulate investment in renewable technologies. This inquiry session will examine how businesses of all shapes and sizes can unlock the commercial value of FiTs, secure upfront capital and overcome implementation hurdles. If you feel that your expertise would be able to contribute to this debate please contact thomas.moody@policyconnect.org.uk. A final report is to be launched in Parliament in March 2011.

Further details: [click here](#).

Heat pump seminars

Event: Take advantage of the heat pump market

Date: 4th November 2010: Harrogate; 3rd February 2011: Daventry; 28th April 2011: Basingstoke

Further details: [click here](#)

Solar Power UK 2010 Conference

Event: Enabling the UK Solar Market for 2011

Date: 18th and 19th October 2010

Location: IET LONDON

Description: This comprehensive 2-day conference including a mini exhibition will provide exclusive UK PV industry insights. Challenges of supply, cost and the rapid growth in demand from the UK have created the need for an accelerated maturation of the solar power industry. Solar Power UK 2010 will be the first step in ensuring that all the major players in the UK market can come together as one industry to make sure that



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the 250MW target is achievable. An exclusive Gala Networking Dinner, sponsored by Trina Solar, will be held as an accompanying event to the conference, thus opening the opportunity for further networking and business development in an elite environment.

Further details: [click here](#)

EAS EnergySavers Award 2010

Date: 3 - 5 November 2010

Description: The EAS EnergySavers Award recognises excellence in local energysaving initiatives which tackle fuel poverty and improve domestic energy efficiency. The Award is promoted by fuel poverty charity Energy Acton Scotland (EAS) and is being supported by Eaga. There is a first prize of £1,500 and a second prize of £1,000

Further details: [click here](#).

National Energy Foundation courses

Wood Fuel Heating & CHP, November 8th, Milton Keynes

For further information, click [here](#).

RenewableUK event

Event: RenewableUK 2010

Date: Tuesday 2nd November - Thursday 4th November 2010

Location: Glasgow

Description: Over 4,000 people will attend RenewableUK's 32nd annual conference and exhibition, to be held over 2nd - 4th November 2010 at the SECC, Glasgow. Delegates will include senior government officials, investors, financiers, manufacturers, developers and all others with an interest in wind and marine energy. Over 200 companies will be on display at the exhibition, which is open to industry and the wider public alike.

Further details: Click [here](#)

The Rushlight Awards Clean Technologies Show and Gala Dinner

Host organisation: Rushlight Awards

Date: 27th January 2011

Location: Church House, Westminster

More information: Click [here](#)

The Rushlight Awards promote and celebrate the leading energy, resource and environmental technologies and innovations by organizations throughout UK and Ireland.

With 24 separate categories covering renewable energy, clean fuels, energy efficiency, power generation, green products and services, water, waste and environmental monitoring and management, these awards will highlight the technologies and innovations that are shaping the energy, transport, environment and industry sectors in the future. If you have developed a technology or innovation that is pertinent to one of these categories, then do not hesitate to enter as you have so much to gain:

- There are over £100,000 worth of prizes to be won
- As an RSA accredited event, all group category winners will automatically be nominated for the UK entries for the European Business Awards for the Environment and all entrants.
- All entrants can be included in the Book of Entries published each year
- All entrants are eligible for a significant discount on the price of a stand at the Rushlight Clean Technologies Show on 27 January 2011 at Central Hall Westminster, London

The Rushlight Awards 2010 are now open for entries. The closing date for entries is 31 October 2010 and the Gala Awards Dinner will follow on 27 January 2011 at Church House Westminster, London.

Ashden Awards for Sustainable Energy



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Description: The Ashden Awards for Sustainable Energy are seeking entries from ground-breaking businesses, schools, not-for-profit initiatives, and public sector organisations that are encouraging the use of sustainable energy. Applications must be for work that has been running for at least a year, is technically excellent and is improving the lives of local people. In addition to cash prizes of up to £20,000, we offer our winners a package of benefits and support including a broadcast-quality short film about their work, tailored business support, introductions to influential policy makers and, in certain cases, funders. The awards will be presented at a VIP ceremony in London in June 2011. Entries needed by 26 October 2010

Further information: [click here](#)

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