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The “Solar Summit Freiburg” Presents Technologies to Meet the Energy Turnaround

Solar Industry Discusses the Status of Research and Development

From November 14 – 15, 2011 the “Solar Summit 2011 – International Conference on Highlights and Trends in Solar Energy” will be held at the concert house in Freiburg (“Kongresszentrum Konzerthaus Freiburg”). This fourth event of the conference series is offering, for the first time, a complete overview of all technologies in solar energy conversion. The focus of this year’s conference will be the field of organic photovoltaics. Complementary to the scientific program, members from the solar industry will discuss the market situation and the relevant political events. The participating speakers include: Prof. Dr. Robert Pitz-Paal from the Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt (DLR), Dr. Winfried Hoffmann, Vice-President of the European Photovoltaic Industry Association (EPIA), Werner Weiss, Chairman of the Solar Heating and Cooling Program of the International Energy Agency (IEA) and Hans-Josef Fell, Member of the German Bundestag.

Both the renowned international speakers and the experts from the Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems ISE welcome decision makers from industry and politics, researchers and engineers, investors, bankers and representatives from the press. On Monday, November 14, the speakers will present the current trends and the newest results in area of silicon photovoltaics, alternative photovoltaic technologies and PV system technology. The afternoon program consists of experts speaking on organic photovoltaics, the thematic focus of the conference. The first day concludes with a gala conference dinner. On Tuesday,

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November 15, the conference focuses on solar thermal systems. Applications from the low temperature range through to solar thermal power plants as well as storage system technologies are to be presented.

Prof. Eicke R. Weber, Director of the Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems ISE in Freiburg views the "Solar Summit Freiburg" as an excellent platform for all representatives, coming from the diverse fields within the renewable energy industry. "The Solar Summit Freiburg provides a platform for bringing together all current information in the solar industry which is highly relevant on the technological, political and economic level for the upcoming energy turnover. The conference's character facilitates the transfer of information among the speakers and participants in the form of discussions and networking," says Weber.

The complete program and the application process can be downloaded at: <http://www.solar-summit-2011.org>

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