ENCI-Low Carbon Network Project starting in 2009 March - Introduction

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European Network Engaging Civil Society in Low Carbon Scenarios

A project by:
Climate Action Network France
International Network for Sustainable Energy – Europe (INFORSE-Europe)
Germanwatch
CIRED – Inst. For Env. & Dev. Research
Potsdamer Institute for Climate Research

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The ENCI Project Will

Create a European Network by Civil (ENCI) society organisations and research institutes
Elaborate 2 national studies (France & Germany) with dialogues between climate policies of low carbon scenarios and civil society organisations (reach social acceptability)
Disseminate the results to a larger public

Partnership & Networking

➢ National partnerships between research institutes and CSOs: partnership formed in France & Germany, encouraged in other countries.
➢ Assess good practices and confront different approaches to scenarios and to the assessment of policies
➢ Elaborate a common approach for the evaluation of scenarios.

More than Technical Scenarios

➢ There is a real sense for action in European population.
➢ But acceptance by citizens and decision makers of new required behaviours is essential
➢ Not all climate policies will be socially acceptable: e.g. taxes without benefits, compensation of the poor needed

A Virtual and Physical Network

➢ Establishment of a virtual community (subscribers of the newsletter and via the EnciLowCarb website)
➢ Create an incentive to implement Research Institutes/CSOs partnerships in EU countries
➢ Disseminate information with website, newsletter, seminars, presentations
➢ Invite to dialogue on crucial issues for realisation of low carbon policies

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Timetable, tentative

June 2009: Start of Network
First newsletter, website open for sign-up
October-Nov. 2009: Network Seminar
May-June 2010: Presentations in Bxl
May 2011: Final scen. France&Germ.
Summer 2011: Large Public Conference

Crucial Issues to address

- What are socially acceptable changes of energy supply, energy efficiency, behaviour, transport etc.? 
- How fast can companies and workers change to more energy efficient production?
- What are technical limitations in change of energy structure and energy efficiency?
- How fast can technology be implemented?
- How to evaluate costs, jobs, etc.?

Many models – and results

AEOLUS  BALMOREL  BCHP Screening Tool
BESOM  CHP Capacity Optimizer  CHPSizer
COMPOSE  DREAM  EnergyBALANCE
EFOM  EMPS  ENPEP
EnergyPLAN  energyPRO  H2RES
ERJ (Energy Rich Japan)  HOMER
HUD CHP Screening Tool  HYDROGEMS
INVERT  LEAP  MARKAL  MENSA
MESAP  MESSAGE  MinCAM  NEMS
ORNL (ORCED) PRIMES  PERSEUS  RAMSES
RETScreen  SESAM  SGM  SIVAE

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