



Sustainable Development Business News from MEBC – September 2009

First established in 1992, MEBC is a business network run as a not-for-profit, limited liability company by Midlands’s regional business people to promote sustainable development as a sensible business proposition. It is the area’s branch of the Business Council for Sustainable Development – United Kingdom

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Diary Dates for MEBC activity

October 6th - Launch of RESCO – Coventry



MEBC is involved with the launch of the AWM sponsored RESCO project that follows on from the WindSupply project many of you will be familiar with. RESCO – the Renewable Energy Supply Chain Opportunities project has, as its name suggests, a wider remit than “just” wind power. It will be launched at Coventry Chamber of Commerce at a day long event on October 6th.

More info via Fred Mead, fred.mead@engnet.org.uk

November 4th – MEBC meeting at  martineau Birmingham

Details to be announced shortly.

November 16th – BCSD-UK Energy Group meeting in Birmingham

The Business Council for Sustainable Development – United Kingdom (BCSD-UK) for which the MEBC is the regional branch, will be staging an open BCSD-UK Energy Group meeting at the headquarters of Lafarge Cement UK adjacent Birmingham

International railway station. The last such event in July was over subscribed. More information will be released shortly.

December 2nd – MEBC Annual Dinner

MEBC's highly regarded annual dinner that is designed to celebrate business success in the sustainable development arena is to be staged again at the Birmingham Council House Banqueting Suite.



We are grateful for sponsorship from Martineau, Aston University, Birmingham City Council and the Black Country Consortium that makes it possible to stage what has become the key business occasion in the region for businesses involved with environmental, low carbon and sustainable development activity.

Guest speaker will be Professor Andreas Hornung, Professor of Chemical Engineering and Head of the European Bioenergy Research Institute, Aston University. The picture shows Dr Stewart Davies, Business Commissioner of the Sustainable Development Commission, addressing last year's MEBC dinner.

Tables of 8 cost £560 + VAT with individuals at £80 + VAT
More information via jenniem@ebc-info.co.uk

March 22nd 2010 - PSM at the Ricoh Arena, Coventry



This is an advanced diary date for an event MEBC is supporting. PSM is a wide ranging event covering urban space design for a low carbon, sustainable future, the role of IT in helping people move efficiently in that space, what vehicles will look like in a low carbon world and what will propel them, what new business models are emerging to help achieve this future, and what business and job opportunities are being and will be created by the transition to a low carbon, sustainable future.

A promotional leaflet for the Advantage West Midlands, Cenex, Coventry City Council supported PSM can be downloaded via www.bcsd-uk.co.uk

Event Report – Carbon Transition Workshop at Martineau



Paul Mountain of Martineau, Chris Crean from Friends of the Earth, and Gareth Stanley from AWM provided a wide range of views as to how the Government's commitment to a low carbon nation will impact on the West Midlands and its business community.

Held at Martineau's city centre offices in Birmingham, the presentations

sparked a lively debate from the good sized audience including highlighting some of the region's successes but also its failures – such as still not having a wind farm in the region.

DEKB's Interactive Building Low Carbon Energy Networks Conference on October 15th from 9:30 until 17:30 at the ICC, Birmingham

Sponsored by Birmingham City Council, Southampton City Council and DEKB, the conference will provide an opportunity for Public and Private sector executives, officers and developers to learn about and discuss low-carbon energy networks from a wide spectrum of the UK's leading politicians and industry experts.

Click on the icon for more information.



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Be Birmingham event – “Funding Green Business Ideas for Social Enterprises” on October 7th from 14:00 until 16:00 at Austin Court, Birmingham

Does your organisation want a £30,000 boost? Are you an existing social enterprise or not-for-profit organisation who wants to make a positive impact on the environment? Could your organisation provide environmental goods or services? Are you proud of your new business idea? Would you like to receive advice from an expert panel? If your answer is yes, then this exciting event is definitely for you. Come along and find out more about this fantastic opportunity.

Click on the icons for more information and to register.



Event Details - Green
Business Ideas Social



Registration Form -
Green Business Ideas

Launch of the West Midlands Landfill Diversion Strategy on October 5th at the NEC

Advantage West Midlands and the **Waste Infrastructure Advisory Group** invite you to attend the launch of the West Midlands Landfill Diversion Strategy on October 5th at the National Exhibition Centre. The West Midlands must develop new waste

infrastructure to divert waste from landfill, reduce costs for businesses and maximise opportunities for low carbon economic growth. The West Midlands Landfill Diversion Strategy provides a coherent approach to diverting waste from landfill in the West Midlands and is an essential tool for the identification and development of new sites for waste infrastructure.

This event will help businesses, planners and investors to:

- Prioritise sites for new waste facilities
- Identify locations within the region
- Find the most suitable waste technology
- Strengthen your planning submission

Click on the icon for more information and to register.



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Linking Emission Trading Systems: Prospects and Issues for Business – new Carbon Trust report

With the establishment of a global carbon market now a major policy goal worldwide, the new Carbon Trust report, 'Linking emission trading systems', examines the issues for business and the practicalities of its development.

Click on the icon for report.



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