

Erneuerbare Energien: Potential und Nutzen für Entwicklungsländer

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Dr. Gerhard Wahlers joined the Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation as advisor in the International Cooperation Division in March 1990. Dr. Wahlers was Head of the KAS office in Jerusalem from 1994-1997 and Head of the KAS office in Washington from 1997-2003. Dr. Wahlers took up the post of Head of the International Division in 2003. Dr. Wahlers obtained his PhD in philosophy at Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität in Münster and has degrees in history, sociology and political science.

Ambassador Ortwin Hennig

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Ambassador Ortwin Hennig is the EWI Vice-President for Conflict Prevention, Former Commissioner for Conflict Prevention in the German Federal Government. With an academic background of Political Science at the Free University of Berlin and the London School of Economics and as an alumnus of the NATO Defense College in Rome, Ambassador Hennig has specialized in arms control and security policy matters. Next to his diplomatic postings in Kabul, Afghanistan; in Moscow; in Brussels with the German Representation to the EU; and in Vienna with the German Representation to the OSCE, Ambassador Hennig has also served the Office of the German Federal President as a foreign policy advisor. His last assignment

before joining the EastWest Institute was as Commissioner for Civilian Crisis Prevention, Conflict Resolution and Post-Conflict Peace Building for the German Federal Foreign Office in Berlin.

Mr. Andris Piebalgs

Member of the European Commission – in charge of Energy

Mr. Andris Piebalgs took up the post of Energy Commissioner in November 2004. Since the EU enlargement in May 2004 Mr. Piebalgs was heading the Cabinet of Latvian Commissioner Mrs. Sandra Kalniete. Before joining the European Commission, he worked in diplomacy, starting in 1995 when Mr. Piebalgs became the ambassador of Latvia in Estonia. During five years – between 1998 and 2003 – he was the Ambassador of Latvia to the European Union, later – Undersecretary of State for EU affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Latvia. Mr. Piebalgs obtained his degree in Physics from Latvia University.

Dr. Peter Paziorek

Parliamentary State Secretary at the German Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection

Dr. Peter Paziorek is Parliamentary State Secretary at the German Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection since November 2005. Former posts included CDU/CSU's speaker for Environment policy; Head of the CDU party's working group for Environment, Nature and Climate

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Protection; Member of the Federal Working Group for Energy Policy and Deputy Head of the CDU directorate in North Rhine-Westphalia. Mr. Paziorek became a member of the German Bundestag in 1990. Dr. Paziorek studied law and obtained a Phd in 1983.

Mr. Herbert Reul (MEP)

Member of European Parliament (EPP-ED) - Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

Mr. Herbert Reul is a Member of the European Parliament since 2004. Being a Member of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy he is at the same time a Member of the Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China. Former posts of Mr. Reul included Vice-Chairman of the Federal Committee on Education and Training, CDU spokesman on education network in North Rhine-Westphalia. Mr. Reul was as well CDU Group Vice-Chairman to North Rhine-Westphalia Regional Assembly.

Dr. Stefan Krauter

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Dr. Krauter received his Master's degree in Electrical Engineering and Cybernetics at the Munich University of Technology and obtained his PhD at the Berlin University of Technology. Dr. Krauter is Co-Founder of the International Solar Centre of Berlin. In 1995, Dr. Krauter was a visiting professor at the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and in 1996, he won the Berlin Solar Prize. Dr. Krauter co-founded Solon AG, a joint-stock company for PV module production in Berlin. In 2002 Dr. Krauter acted as the organizer and general chairman of the RIO 02 – World Climate & Energy Event, which was also held in 2003, 2005 and 2006. Dr. Krauter served as Chairman at the World Council for Renewable Energies (WCRE) - Latin America Section. Dr. Krauter was a visiting professor at the State University of Ceara, Brazil in 2003. In 2004 he became a Member of the Board of Directors of the International Energy Society (ISES).

Mr. Eric Tang

Policy Officer, Energy and Environment, DG Environment, European Commission

Since September 2005, Mr. Eric Tang is a national expert working on energy matters in the DG Environment of the European Commission and specialising in energy planning, energy efficiency and renewable plus environmental assistance to Eastern Europe. Before taking his current position, Mr. Tang worked in the Danish Ministry of Energy and the Ministry of Environment from 1986.

Mr. Simon Worthington

Environmental Senior Policy Adviser, BP Europe

Mr. Simon Worthington took up his current post in 2002, but he already started to work for BP in 1994. Mr. Worthington was an academic visitor to the Imperial College London and worked on a major project on Mercury Pollution in the Brazilian Amazon within BP from 1994 to 1996. From 1996 to 2000, Mr. Worthington held the position of Climate Change Manager after which he served as Director for Business Development in the BP Latin American Gas Marketing and Solar Teams in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Mr. Nick Mabey

Chief Executive "E3G", Senior Advisor in the British Prime Minister's Strategy Unit

Mr. Mabey works on a variety of policy areas, including energy, fisheries, unstable states and organised crime. Nick Mabey was previously Head of Sustainable Development in the FCO's Environment Policy department and the FCO lead on the Johannesburg Summit where he was responsible for establishing a number of innovative international partnerships including Reep and the Travel Foundation. An economist and engineer by training, before he joined government Mr. Mabey was Head of Economics and Development at WWF-UK. He came to WWF from academic research at London Business School on the economics of climate change, published in the book "Argument in the Greenhouse". This followed re-

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search at MIT into energy system planning and a period in the energy industry working for PowerGen and GEC Alsthom. He trained as a mechanical engineer at Bristol University specialising in energy systems, and holds a masters degree in Technology and Policy from MIT.

Mr. Eric Usher

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Within UNEP's Paris-based Division of Technology, Industry and Economics, Eric Usher is responsible for renewable energy and sustainable energy finance programme activities. Before joining UNEP, Mr. Usher held the position of General Manager of Noor Holding, a solar rural electrification company in Morocco and, prior to that, Programme Manager of energy technology commercialisation projects at the Energy Diversification Research Laboratory in Varennes, Quebec. Eric Usher holds an MBA from INSEAD in Fontainebleau, France, and a BSc in Electrical Engineering from Queen's University in Kingston, Canada. Mr. Usher regularly publishes articles and papers in selected industry journals and represents UNEP at international conferences.

Prof. Mamadou Mansour Kane

Director of the Center of Renewable Energy, Dakar/Senegal

Prof. Mamadou Mansour Kane took up his current position in February 1993. Previous posts included the Faculty of Sciences in Dakar as a professor, Director of the Laboratory for half-conductors and solar energy and the responsible for the vouching of upper degrees. Prof. Kane also worked as chief of the Department for Physics between 1984 and 1996 and master of conference between 1982 and 1983. Mamadou Mansour Kane obtained several degrees at the Universities of Dakar and Lyon. Prof. Kane holds a PhD from the University of Dakar and has published several books and articles on physics and energy.

Prof. Weber Antonio Neves Do Amaral

Director of the Brazilian Biofuels Program, Piracicaba/Brazil

Prof. Amaral's main tasks of his current position include the coordination of the national biofuels program, a joint initiative of the Ministry of Agriculture & Livestock, MAPA, and the University of Sao Paulo, USP, Brazil; overall management of the entire organization since its beginning; the definition of the strategic action plan for biofuels in close collaboration with the private sector and the priority setting for allocation of resources. Former posts of Prof. Amaral include the University of Sao Paulo where he was a professor for Forest Sciences and Biodiversity; Senior Scientist at the Consultative Group on International Agriculture Research and Research Associate at the Harvard Business School, Boston. Prof. Amaral holds several degrees including a PhD in Biology from Harvard University.

Dr. V.V.N. Kishore

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Dr. V.V.N. Kishore is a Chemical Engineer with nearly three decades of professional experience in renewable and energy efficient technologies. His areas of expertise include solar thermal engineering, anaerobic digestion, biomass gasification and building energy. He worked as a senior scientist in the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research from 1980-84, after which he joined TERI. He acted as Dean of Energy Engineering and Technology division of TERI during 1990-92 and as Head, Centre for Energy and Environment, in TERI School of Advanced Studies during 2001-03. Dr. Kishore acted as a consultant to Winrock International, Washington and World Bank. He has served in a number of national committees as chairperson and member dealing with project monitoring, program monitoring, planning and policy framing in the general area of renewable energy research and commercialization. Dr. Kishore has acted as project leader for several projects funded by the Ministry of Non-conventional Energy Sources, Department of Science and Technology, Swiss agency for Development and Cooperation, USAID, World Bank and the EU.

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Dr. Peter R. Weilemann

*Director of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung's
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From 1983 to 1992, Dr. Weilemann was Deputy Director of the Research Institute Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung. He was then appointed Deputy Director at the Department of Political Research of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung and Head of Division on International Politics and Economics in 1992. In 2000, he was appointed Director for International Cooperation at the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung. Peter R. Weilemann has taken up his post as Director of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung's European Office in June 2003. Dr. Peter Weilemann obtained degrees in Political Science, Economics and History, Universities of Mainz, Hamburg and Georgetown University (Washington D.C.) and a Ph.D. in Political Science at the University of Cologne.

Dr. Greg Austin

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Dr. Austin started his position with EWI in August 2006 as part of an expansion of EWI's agenda. Dr. Austin has a 30-year career in international affairs, including senior posts in academia and government. Dr. Austin has held senior posts in the International Crisis Group and the Foreign Policy Centre (London). He is the Founding Chair of the Asian Century Institute, London. Dr. Austin is the author of several highly reviewed books on international security, especially those focusing on Asia. In 2003/04, he led a major review for the UK Cabinet Office on UK conflict prevention policies. Dr. Austin has several post-graduate qualifications in international relations, including a Ph D.