



Global Bioenergy
Partnership

Global Bioenergy Partnership (GBEP)

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The G8 commitment in the Gleneagles Plan of Action (July 2005)

“We (the G8) will promote the continued development and commercialisation of renewable energy by: [...] d) launching a Global Bioenergy Partnership to support wider, cost effective, biomass and biofuels deployment, particularly in developing countries where biomass use is prevalent, following the Rome International Workshop on Bioenergy”.

Preparatory Meetings hosted and organized by IMET

❖ Parties involved and acting as the Informal Steering Committee of the Partnership

G8 – Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, UK, USA,
European Commission

+5 Countries - Brazil, China, India, Mexico, South Africa

International Organizations - FAO, UNDP, UN Foundation, IEA,
UNCTAD, UNEP, the WORLD BANK

❖ Results:

White Paper

Terms of Reference

Functions of the GBEP

1. Create a global high level policy dialogue on bioenergy;
2. Favour more efficient and sustainable uses of biomass;
3. Foster the exchange of information;
4. Facilitate bioenergy integration into energy markets;
5. Act as a cross cutting initiative.

Short-mid term actions

1. Update the inventory of existing networks, initiatives and institutions dealing with bioenergy;
2. Identify gaps in knowledge or areas of weak understanding;
3. Carry out scoping of feasibility studies for market building activities;
4. Establish mechanism for raising awareness;
5. Formulating standard guidelines to measure the greenhouse gas emission reductions through the promotion and use of biofuels in the transport and energy generation sectors.

Launch of the GBEP

New York, 11 May 2006

The Italian Government has organized and hosted in New York the official launch of the Global Bioenergy Partnership in occasion of the Ministerial Segment of the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD14).

PARTNERS

**G8 Countries, China, Mexico, FAO, IEA,
UN Foundation, EUBIA**

**1st Steering Committee
12 May 2006**

❖ **Italy will chair of the Partnership for the first biennium together with Mexico as co-chair**

❖ **The Secretariat will be hosted at FAO in Rome with the support of Italy**

Next steps

Definition of a detailed GBEP programme of work
on the basis of its five short-mid term actions



TWG
28-29 September 2006

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2nd Steering Committee
17-18 October 2006

New Partners of the GBEP:
UNEP, UNDP, UNDESA, UNCTAD, UNIDO,
WCRE

Observers:
Brazil and the World Bank

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