

PARTNERSHIP DECLARATION

The European Commission adopted in December 1997 a White Paper for a Community Strategy and Action Plan, Energy for the Future¹: Renewable Sources of Energy, setting an indicative objective of 12% for the contribution of renewable sources of energy (RES) to the European Union's gross inland energy consumption by 2010.

Accelerating the penetration of RES will play a major role in achieving the Community's CO₂ reduction goal while at the same time contributing to reducing dependence on energy imports and offering business opportunities for the European Union industry.

The comprehensive strategy set out in the White Paper contains a Campaign for Take-off designed to facilitate the success of the strategy as a whole. The necessary trend towards increased private investment in RES will be stimulated in a visible manner through public relations activities, focusing public support programmes on the objectives of the Campaign and raising public awareness².

The Campaign for Take-Off will run for 5 years (1999-2003) and will act as a catalyst for the development of key RES sectors, sending clear signals for greater use of RES and encouraging investment. The objectives for the key sectors are:

- 1,000,000 PV systems
- 15 Million m² solar collectors
- 10,000 MW of wind turbine generators
- 10,000 MWth of combined heat and power biomass installations
- 1,000,000 dwellings heated by biomass
- 1,000 MW of biogas installations
- 5 Million tonnes of liquid biofuels
- 100 communities aimed at 100% RES supply

¹ Document reference: COM (97) 599 final

² see Commission Services working document on the Campaign for Take-Off presented in April 1999 (SEC (99) 504)

The organisation/company/institution/authority

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declares its willingness to contribute to the implementation of the Campaign for Take-Off by way of the following programmes or set of actions:

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The organisation, through regular reports, will keep the European Commission informed on the implementation of the above actions.

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