

European Technology Platform for Zero Emission Fossil Fuel Power Plants (ZEP)

**Invitation to the ZEP General Assembly 2008
November 10 - Brussels, Belgium**

Implementing CO₂ Capture and Storage Across Europe – and Beyond: Outlining the Optimal Portfolio of Demonstration Projects

Dear Sir/Madam,

Climate change arguably represents the single greatest challenge mankind has ever faced. Immediate and decisive action is required if we are to take advantage of the rapidly diminishing window of opportunity to mitigate climate change.

It is widely accepted that CO₂ Capture and Storage (CCS) is one of the key solutions for combating climate change – while building a bridge to a truly sustainable energy system. As a result, it is imperative that CCS now receives the support and structure required to become a commercial reality and realize its potential of reducing the EU's CO₂ emissions *by over 50% by 2050*.

To this end, the European Technology Platform for Zero Emission Fossil Fuel Power Plants (ZEP) is pleased to invite you to its annual General Assembly 2008, where our unique coalition of stakeholders (European utilities, petroleum firms, equipment suppliers, scientists, geologists, environmental NGOs) will present an in-depth study by McKinsey and Company outlining how an EU Flagship Programme of 10-12 large-scale CCS demonstration projects can be implemented.

The precise workings of the EU Flagship Programme will be covered from every perspective – technological, operational, geographical, political, economic and commercial; all of the findings being backed up by robust R&D activity and based on extensive stakeholder interviews, ZEP's comprehensive and groundbreaking technology matrix, and independent, fact-based analysis.

The urgent implementation of the EU Flagship Programme is not only vital for EU CO₂ reduction targets to be met, but it is a clear call to action by other countries, like India, China and the US, where the coordinated implementation of CCS could also help to significantly curb CO₂ emissions.

We therefore invite you to register for ZEP's General Assembly 2008 online and a detailed agenda will follow. Please visit www.zero-emissionplatform.eu, click 'event calendar' in the top menu and then on 'registration' in the GA-section. Or, to go to the registration form directly, click the following link:
www.zero-emissionplatform.eu/website/eventcalendar/GA3/formGA3.html.

Sincerely Yours,



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