

Betreff: Future Energy Leaders Programme for WEC Montreal 2010 Congress

Dear Colleagues,

We are now just under one year away from the WEC 2010 Congress, and wish to invite all Member Committees to nominate two individuals from your country to attend as Future Energy Leader (FEL) delegates. Building on the success of the 2007 Youth Programme in Rome and previous Congresses, the 2010 Future Energy Leaders Programme will be aimed at a slightly different target market: namely, young persons between the ages of 25-32 who are in their first or second job within the energy sector. The programme of activities will offer a unique opportunity for early-career energy professionals to participate in a tailor made programme of talks and discussion sessions closely tied to the core themes of the Congress.

Please find attached guidelines for the recruitment of FEL delegates for the WEC 2010 Congress next year. Full details, including suggested criteria for selection, are available in the attached Guidelines for Recruitment document (Attachment 1).

A change from previous years is that there will be a registration fee for FEL delegates. This has been set at \$1,800 Canadian. Since the FEL age limits suggest that these delegates will be in their first or second position with an energy company, the company could be expected to cover the registration fee, or the WEC Member Committee may wish to do so.

In another departure from the past, FEL delegates will not be required to submit a paper to be accepted into the FEL programme. However, if they do wish to submit a paper via the standard "Call for Papers" process, they are welcome to do so, as long as their paper is received by the January 15, 2010, deadline. If their paper is accepted, they would present it in a regular Congress session.

Further details on the content of the Future Energy Leaders Programme will be released in November of this year.

Furthermore we would like to stress that attendance as a Future Energy Leader delegate is both a privilege and a responsibility. Therefore in selecting the representatives for this programme from your country, please bare in mind the following points:

- Member Committees are invited to select two delegates, and where possible two alternate candidates
- All FEL delegates should attend all mandatory FEL breakfast and FEL discussion sessions (see attached overview).
- FEL Delegates should also attend general Congress sessions of interest or relevance, you may as the sponsoring Member Committee wish to stipulate further that the delegate(s) report back to your Member Committee on the Congress content upon their return.
- The cost of the delegate's travel, expenses and registration should be met by their sponsoring company or Member Committee as appropriate. Accomodation costs will be met by the Congress Organisers, on the basis of two delegates sharing a room.
- Congress Organizers will assume the living expenses for two people selected by each Member Committees. If a MC wishes to send more than two delegates on the FEL programme, it will have to assume all the expenses.

Separate to the Future Energy Leaders Programme, but of note nevertheless, is that for WEC 2010 there will also be a Student Delegate discounted rate available for those persons who are currently enrolled in fulltime education and can provide proof of enrolment in a further education course. Please note that this is not connected in any way to the Future Energy Leaders Programme, but rather represents a separate level of registration fee for students and academics wishing to attend the Congress.

We look forward to receiving your nominations,

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