



World Wind Energy Association

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## Press Release



### Programme of 3<sup>rd</sup> World Wind Energy Conference now available

Ministers, high-level representatives from governments, international organisations and industry will meet in Beijing for the largest wind energy event ever held in Asia

**Bonn (WWEA) – More than 500 delegates from all over the world will be expected to attend the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Wind Energy Conference in Beijing (31 October – 4 November) to discuss in 150 presentations all aspects wind energy utilisation. The WWEC 2004 programme can now be found at the conference website [www.wwec2004.cn](http://www.wwec2004.cn). 60 companies, amongst them the leading wind turbine and component manufacturers as well as service suppliers, have booked stands at the accompanying exhibition.**

The WWEC 2004 will be co-organised by the World Wind Energy Association jointly with the Chinese Wind Energy Association. It takes place under the patronage of Alpha Oumar Konaré, Chairman of the Commission of the African Union. The event is supported by the Chinese National Development and Reform Commission, the Chinese Ministries of Science and Technology, of Agriculture and of Commerce, the German Ministry for the Environment, UNESCO, the International Solar Energy Society, the International Hydropower Association, InWEnt and 70 international wind energy organisations.

Amongst the speakers will be:

- Zhang Guobao, Vice Minister, National Development and Reform Commission China
- Shaukat Aziz, Prime Minister, Pakistan (to be confirmed)
- Jürgen Trittin, Minister of Environment, Germany
- Vilas Muttemwar, Minister of Non-Conventional Energy Sources, India
- Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Minister for Minerals and Energy, South Africa (t.b.c.)
- Shi Dinghuan, Counselor of the State Council, Chairman, CSES, China
- Henock Kasita, Namibia Deputy Minister for Mines & Energy
- Theo Theophanous, Victoria Energy Minister, Australia
- Hermann Scheer, General Chairman World Council for Renewable Energy
- Osman Benchikh, Responsible Energy & Renewable Energies, UNESCO
- Jamal Saghir, Director Water & Energy Department, World Bank
- Svend Auken, Former Danish Minister for the Environment, Member of Danish Folketing
- Gilbert Parent, Canada Ambassador for the Environment

Besides, several CEOs and Directors of the leading wind turbine manufacturers will speak at the WWEC 2004 about their viewpoints and perspectives of the wind industry development in

China and worldwide.

Leading wind energy experts from all over the world will cover all economic, political, technological, social and environmental aspects of wind energy utilisation – the WWEC programme includes 150 presentations and further poster presentations.

The WWEC 2004 takes place in the Chinese capital city at a time when the Chinese government has committed itself to substantially increase the share of renewable energy, mainly wind energy. The Chinese government's official target is to increase the installed capacity from currently 600 MW up to 1.000 MW by the end of the year of 2005, 4.000 MW in 2010 and 20.000 MW in 2020. An appropriate renewable energy legislation to speed up the development of the wind industry in the country has been announced to come into force in the near future.

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***The World Wind Energy Association: Basic information***

*WWEA is the global voice for wind energy representing wind energy organisations from all continents. At the moment, WWEA has more than 160 members from 60 countries, most of them national associations, scientific institutes and companies. WWEA works for the complete substitution of all fossil and nuclear sources by renewable energies with wind energy as one cornerstone by*

- *providing a platform for the communication of all wind energy actors world-wide,*
- *influencing national and international policies,*
- *providing international technology transfer.*

*The WWEA Secretariat is situated in Bonn/Germany close to the future UN Campus.*

**Further information: [www.wwindea.org](http://www.wwindea.org)**

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***3<sup>rd</sup> World Wind Energy Conference & Renewable Energy Exhibition WWEC 2004, Beijing, China, 31 October – 4 November 2004:***

*WWEA will hold together with the Chinese Wind Energy Association the third World Wind Energy Conference & Renewable Energy Exhibition in Beijing/China from 31 October – 4 November.*

**Further information: [www.wwec2004.cn](http://www.wwec2004.cn)**

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***4<sup>th</sup> World Wind Energy Conference & Renewable Energy Exhibition WWEC 2005, Melbourne, Australia, 2 – 5 November 2005:***

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