



E-Bulletin for the Environmental Industries

NEW UKFEI WEBSITE NOW LIVE! The UKFEI is pleased to announce the launch of its revamped website. To find out more about the environmental goods and services sector in the UK, to locate contacts within the English regions and three devolved administrations, and to view all UKFEI E-Bulletins to date, please visit www.ukfei.co.uk

REGIONAL NEWS

Procurement: Public Procurement and Export Opportunities – Northwest Food Alliance are now receiving alerts for regional Public Procurement and Export Opportunities. These will be uploaded to their website on a weekly basis: www.nwfoodalliance.co.uk/tender.php

New Initiatives: Process Improvement Support - An opportunity to join a Defra-supported research project aiming to transfer best practice in manufacturing process improvement methodology, using the chilled foods sector as a case study. Companies would benefit from an analysis of their current practices to produce a current-state map to help to identify opportunities for potential efficiency gains and reductions in waste. Tel: John Henderson at C-Tech Innovation on 0151 3472950 or email: john.henderson@ctechinnovation.com
http://www.nwfoodalliance.co.uk/opportunities.php?event_id=11&event_start=&page_number=1

International Trade: The Malaysian Government, with support from the UNDP BioGen Programme, wish to contract at least 100MW of new **Small Renewable Energy Power Projects** before the end of 2005. To learn more about this opportunity please contact Suzi Adams at enquiries@ukrenewables.com. To participate in this event as a technology supplier or developer, please provide details to the Malaysian Energy Centre by 15 July 2005.

Grants & Schemes: Enterprise Capital Funds - Launched on the 19th July 2005 by the DTI Secretary of State Alan Johnson. See <http://www.sbs.gov.uk/press/news202.php> Up to £200 million will be made available via ECFs, which are designed to be commercial funds, investing a come a clear p

icture of the areas in which provision need to made to ensure that industry has the right level of skills to support growth across the renewable energy industry as a whole. Employers are invited to specialist sub

groups in the following: Wave & Tidal, Heat Pumps, Geothermal, Solar, Photovoltaic, Wind and Biomass. To engage in this study, please contact Jackie.raeside@euskills.co.uk, tel. 0845 077 7032.

Free places are available on a 6 day **environmental management training programme**, providing delegates with the knowledge, skills and tools to implement an Environmental Management System (EMS), and a waste minimisation programme. Courses will start in Sept and Nov 2005. Tel: Ruth Blair at the **Northwest Food Alliance** on 01928 513775, Email: ruth.blair@nwfoodalliance.co.uk

IN GENERAL

Consultations:

DTI: UK Environmental Industries Consultation on Technology Priorities. Closing date 2 September 2005:

<http://www.dti.gov.uk/eiag/technology.html>

DEFRA: Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive Consultation paper on proposals for Regulations transposing the treatment permitting requirements of the WEEE Directive and providing for exemptions for storage, repair and refurbishment of WEEE. Closing date 19 August 2005: <http://defraweb.defra.gsi.gov.uk/corporate/consult/weee-article6/index.htm>

Regional Economic Strategy (RES) Consultations:

East Midlands Development Agency – www.haveyoursay.co.uk

Northwest Regional Development Agency –

<http://www.nwda.co.uk/RelatedContent.aspx?area=100>

Yorkshire Forward – <http://www.yorkshire-forward.com/view.asp?id=3275>

One North East – <http://www.onenortheast.co.uk/page/res.cfm>

South West Regional Development Agency –

<http://www.southwestrda.org.uk/what-we-do/policy/economic-strategy.shtm>

DIARY DATES

South-East Sustainable Innovation & Design: Response to UK Sustainable Development Strategy **15th September 2005** at Farnham Castle International Briefing and Conference Centre (www.farnhamcastle.com), Surrey. Download programme from: www.cfsd.org.uk

Envirenergy, Yorkshire and Humber Royal Armouries Museum, Leeds, **27th September 2005**. Visit:

<http://www.envirenergy.org.uk/EnvYH2005.html>

ANY QUESTIONS...?

Send your questions, on any aspect of the UK environmental industries, to g.nowell@ukfei.co.uk. Every attempt will be made to answer them in the next issue.