



## **LAMNET Latin America Thematic Network on Bioenergy**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> LAMNET Steering Committee Meeting**

**RAI International Exhibition and Congress Centre, Amsterdam, The Netherlands**

**Wednesday, 19 June 2002, 18:00-19:00**

### **MINUTES of the MEETING**

#### **List of Participants**

##### **Members of the LAMNET Steering Committee**

Prof. José Roberto Moreira, CENBIO–Centro Nacional de Referência em Biomassa, BR

Dr. Omar Masera, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, MX

Dr. Peter Helm, WIP, D

Dr. Giuliano Grassi, EUBIA – European Biomass Industry Association

Mrs. Angela Grassi, ETA – Energia Trasporti Agricoltura, I

Mr. Jan Lindstedt, BAFF – BioAlcohol Fuel Foundation, SE

Mr. Tord Fjällström, Energidalen, SE

Dr. Peter Grimm, WIP, D

##### **Members of the LAMNET Thematic Network**

Dr. Nasir El Bassam, Federal Agricultural Research Centre, D

##### **Invited Guest Observer**

Ms. Ivonice Aires Campos, Ministerio de Ciência e Tecnologia, BR

##### **LAMNET Project Co-ordination**

Dr. Rainer Janssen, WIP, D

### **General Remarks on LAMNET Project Workshops**

- Workshops organised within the framework of the LAMNET project should have a duration of at least 2-3 days in order to facilitate the participation of network members with a long travel distance to the workshop location.
- If possible a Technical Tour in the vicinity of the workshop location should be included in the workshop programme.
- The LAMNET workshop programmes should include a session (discussion round) directly addressing future activities of the LAMNET project.
- LAMNET workshop programmes should include sessions dedicated to specific projects. Within these sessions solutions to existing problems and opportunities in the field of bioenergy should be elaborated. Thereby, it is possible to divide the LAMNET workshop participants into several groups discussing different project ideas.
- LAMNET members from Latin America will provide an ‘even calendar’ indicating options for joint activities with the LAMNET project.

### **LAMNET Workshop in Durban, South Africa, 19-21 August 2002**

- The second LAMNET project workshop will take place on 19-21 August 2002 in the Kwa-Shukela Convention Centre, Mount Edgecombe (Durban), South Africa.
- This workshop will be organised as a joint event of three Thematic Networks funded by the European Commission, DG Research:
  - CARENSA – Cane Resource Network for Southern Africa
  - SPARK-NET – Sustainable Energy Policy and Research ‘Knowledge Network’ on cost effective, ecologically sound and healthy energy alternatives for low-income rural households
  - LAMNET – Latin America Thematic Network on Bioenergy
- This workshop will include a Technical Tour to a Sugar Processing Facility operated by Illovo Sugar Ltd., member of the LAMNET project. Contact person at Illovo Sugar Ltd. is Mr. Denis Tomlinson
- A combined brochure of the three Thematic Networks will be prepared and distributed among policy makers at the ‘Johannesburg Summit 2002 – The World Summit on Sustainable Development’, taking place from 26 August to 4 September 2002.
- During this workshop a technical session will be organised on the topic of densification technologies for sugar cane bagasse.
- Prof. Roberto Moreira will contact Latin American expert companies in pelletising technologies to be invited to participate in this workshop.
- All member of the LAMNET Steering Committee agreed to contribute to the programme elaboration and the selection of participants of this workshop.

**LAMNET Workshop in Brazil, December 2002**

- Prof. Roberto Moreira informed the members of the LAMNET Steering Committee that an IPCC meeting is scheduled to take place on 2 December 2002 in Brasilia, Brazil.
- The appropriate date for the 3<sup>rd</sup> LAMNET project workshop was therefore concluded to be 3-4 December 2002.
- The follow-up concerning date and location of this LAMNET workshop will be done by Prof. Moreira.

**LAMNET Workshop in Chile**

- Dr. Giuliano Grassi informed the members of the LAMNET Steering Committee about his meeting with the Ambassador of Chile in Rome.
- The Ambassador of Chile showed strong interest in the activities of the LAMNET project dedicated to the topics of rural development, involvement of small and medium size enterprises and joint-ventures in the field of bioenergy.
- The Ambassador of Chile promised support for the organisation of a LAMNET workshop in Chile.
- Date and location of this workshop will have to be suggested by the LAMNET Steering Committee.

**LAMNET Workshop in China**

- It was suggested by the LAMNET member Dr. Nasir El Bassam to organise a LAMNET workshop in the framework of The Second International Conference on Sustainable Agriculture for Food, Energy and Industry, Beijing, China, 8-13 September 2002.
- Dr. Rainer Janssen informed the members of the LAMNET Steering Committee that initial contacts had been established with the Conference organisers, but no co-operation with the LAMNET project had been agreed upon.
- It was concluded by the members of the LAMNET Steering Committee that a LAMNET workshop within the framework of the above conference will be not possible due to time constraints.

### **Feed-back on LAMNET Activities**

It was agreed upon by the members of the LAMNET Steering Committee to send their comments, suggestions and feed-back on current LAMNET activities to the LAMNET project co-ordinator, Dr. Rainer Janssen.

Feed-back on the following issues is highly welcome:

- **1<sup>st</sup> LAMNET Project Workshop in Amsterdam, The Netherlands**
- **LAMNET website**
- **LAMNET Project Database**
- **2nd LAMNET Newsletter Issue**
- **Topics for LAMNET Thematic Leaflets**



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Moderator of the Meeting: Dr. Rainer Janssen, WIP, LAMNET Project Co-ordinator

This SC Meeting will serve to briefly evaluate past and present activities and brainstorm of future activities of the LAMNET Project.

All SC Members are invited to contribute with their suggestions.

Issues to be discussed include the following:

- Preparation LAMNET Workshop in South Africa, 19-21 August 2002
- LAMNET Workshop in Brazil, December 2002
- LAMNET Workshop in Chile
- LAMNET Workshops in China
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