

“World Energy Outlook 2008: The Road to Copenhagen”

High-Level Climate Change Workshop Co-Hosted by the International Energy Agency
and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark
Copenhagen, 17 April 2008

The International Energy Agency and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark are organising an important workshop on climate change titled “*World Energy Outlook 2008: The Road to Copenhagen*”. This event will take place in Copenhagen on 17 April 2008 and is being opened by the Minister of Climate and Energy of Denmark Connie Hedegaard. Concluding remarks will be provided by Professor Maciej Sadowski, representing the Ministry of Environment of Poland.

The workshop is designed to inform and shape the climate and energy analysis of the forthcoming *World Energy Outlook 2008*. The *World Energy Outlook 2008* will in turn feed into the UNFCCC process, becoming a key reference in the context of negotiations at COP-14 in Poznan, Poland in December 2008 as well as at COP-15 in Copenhagen, Denmark in 2009.

The *World Energy Outlook 2008* will include an in-depth assessment of climate change, in addition to providing a new set of long-term energy projections incorporating the latest data and policies. It responds to the need for quantitative analysis of post-2012 architectures and their impact on the energy sector and investment flows. It will offer an important input to global climate negotiations, as well as valuable insights into energy policy and technological responses to the climate challenge. In addition to the climate change focus, this year’s edition will include an in-depth assessment of mid- and long-term prospects for crude oil and natural gas supplies, based on an in-depth analysis of the production profiles of several hundred of the world’s biggest fields.

The workshop will begin with a session on: “*Future Architectures: Which Scenarios to Inform Decision-Making through 2009?*”. Afternoon sessions will discuss implications for finance, industry and the energy sector. The event is by invitation only and participants are to include senior climate negotiators and experts from the United States, Japan, China, India, Indonesia, the European Union and several of its member countries. High-level representatives of international organisations including the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the United Nations Environment Programme and the OECD will also attend, as well as senior executives from financial institutions and the energy industry.

The *World Energy Outlook 2008* will be officially launched on 12 November 2008 in London. Please contact the office of Dr. Fatih Birol, Chief Economist and Head of the IEA’s Economic Analysis Division for further details.