OPENDAYS 2011 - P.O.W.E.R.E.D. PROJECT OF OFFSHORE WIND ENERGY: RESEARCH, EXPERIMENTATION, DEVELOPMENT WHITHIN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN BASIN SHORTLISTED TO BE SHOWCASED AS "BEST PRACTICE"

In the framework of Open Days 2011, Abruzzo will showcase the "P.O.W.E.R.E.D." Project Of Offshore Wind Energy: Research, Experimentation, Development within the Adriatic-Ionian Basin at the DG REGIO/ENER seminar: "Meet the projects - Energy in European cohesion policy", which will take place at the DG REGIO TENT (Avenue de Tervuren 41 - Brussels) during the morning of 12th October.

This seminar will act as a bridge bringing together project managers and participants, who will first be introduced to a short list of projects co-financed by EU in the area of energy. Debating and networking sessions will then conclude the seminar.

It will then be a good opportunity to share opinions and commitments about **Energy and Offshore Wind deployment across Europe** on how to let them in **Region's and Cities Agendas**, as concrete tool to address **emerging and concrete issues**.

Seminar will be chaired by **Charles WHITE**, DG REGIO - Chargé de relations internationales - Europe, Neighbourhood, Africa,

Mr Antonio SORGI, Abruzzo Director General for Presidency Affairs, Legislative and European Affairs, Planning, Energy, Parks and Environmental Assessment, will be joining the meeting also as Vice President of FEDARENE, the European Federation for Regional Energy and Environment agencies.

Other speakers will be: Francisco BAS, Director of Energy Agency of Andalusia (Spain); Eline D'HOOGE, West-Flanders Development Agency (POM), Project coordinator of ANSWER project (Belgium) and Ane LAAKKONEN, Joensuu Region Waste Management Ltd for Biogas Network (Finland).

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Registrations will be open till the **28th of September**.

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