



Mid-West Regional Authority

Údarás Réigiúnach an Mheán-Iarthair



14th Annual Conference

“PLANNING FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY”

will be held at the

Woodlands House Hotel, Adare, Co. Limerick

on

Thursday 7th February
&
Friday 8th February 2008

Conference Fee: €170

***The Midwest Region’s Climate Change Strategy will be launched by
Minister Tony Killeen, T.D. at the Conference.
Registration & Civic Reception will be available on Thursday 7th February
@ Woodlands House Hotel from 7.00 – 9.00pm***

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Thursday 7th February 2008

19.00 – 21.00 *Registration*

*Welcome by ~ Cllr. Lilly Wallace, Cathaoirleach, Mid-West Regional Authority
Cllr. Brigid Teefy, Leas-Cathaoirleach, Limerick County Council*

Civic Reception

Friday 8th February 2008

09.00 – 09.30 *Registration*

09.30 – 09.40 *Welcome / Introduction*
Cathaoirleach of the Mid-West Regional Authority ~ Cllr. Lilly Wallace

09.40 – 10.00 *Launch of the Midwest Region's Climate Change Strategy by Minister Tony Killeen, T.D.*

Session Chairman *Mr. Michael Heaney, Director of Services, Donegal County Council*

10.00 – 10.30 *Mr. Brian Crowley, Member of European Parliament*

TOPIC: THE EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE ROLE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY (WHERE IT'S AT AND WHERE IT'S GOING)

10.30 – 11.00 *Mr. George Burke, Principal Officer, Planning, DEHLG*

TOPIC: PROPOSED PLANNING EXEMPTIONS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

11.00 – 11.15 *Open Forum*

11.15 – 11.30 *Tea/Coffee*

Session Chairman *Mr. Tom Kirby, Former Director, Mid-West Regional Authority*

11.30 – 12.00 *Mr. Pat Stephens, Limerick/Clare Energy Agency*

TOPIC: REGIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON RENEWABLE ENERGY

12.00 – 12.30 *Mr. Gerry Sheeran, Senior Planner, Limerick Co. Co.*

TOPIC: IMPLEMENTING RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY AT LOCAL AUTHORITY LEVEL

12.30 – 13.00 *Open Forum*

13.00 – 13.10 *Close of Conference ~*
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13.10 – 14.30 *Lunch*