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Dear Members and Friends of ZEE,

With this newsletter we would like to inform you about the latest developments at the Centre for Renewable Energy (ZEE).

The ZEE Team

Prof. Dr. Eicke R. Weber, Stefan Adler, Regine Nitz

28th January 2013

General Meeting of ZEE members and advisory board
29th April 2013 at 17:00 o'clock (s.t.), **room 200**, Herderbau
Tennenbacher Str.4, 79106 Freiburg

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Prof. Dr. Eicke R. Weber is the new head of the ZEE board of directors. The rectorate of the University of Freiburg confirmed the nomination of Prof. Weber by the board of directors.

Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Gero Becker is new member of the board of directors of the ZEE. He was suggested by the ZEE members and confirmed by the rectorate as ZEE director.



Prof. Dr. Barbara Koch, the new dean of the Faculty of Forest and Natural Resources is new member of the ZEE. Her work in the field of geographical information systems will be an important contribution for the ZEE.

The ZEE board of directors recently discussed with rector Prof. Schiewer and vice-president for research Prof. Neuhaus the future of the ZEE. It was agreed upon that the ZEE should be developed further to a Centre for Sustainability together with the Faculty of Environment and Natural Resources, the Technical Faculty and its new institute and the vice-president for research within this year. Thus we are optimistic that the ZEE and later the new centre for sustainability will continue to play an important role for the future development of the University.

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MSc Renewable Energy Management (REM)



The fifth generation (REM5) started on 22nd October 2012. The programme director Prof. Becker and the dean of studies Prof. Fink welcomed 28 students from 20 countries. With this, a total of 147 students from 39 countries have participated in the REM programme of the University of Freiburg up to now.



The REM4 students held their student organized event “REFOCUS” from 29th November to 1st December 2012. REFOCUS as an “International Student Forum on Sustainable Energy” attracted 70 students from different countries who came to Freiburg and worked on the goal of developing a global sustainable energy future. The forum was kindly supported by the the Deutsche Bundesstiftung Umwelt DBU.

www.rem.uni-freiburg.de

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Master Online Photovoltaics

For winter term we received 12 applications for Master Online Photovoltaic. Most of them from Europe, three from Asia and two from Africa. 10 applicants fulfill the admission requirements. Considering the critical situation of the PV industry the number of applications is better than we expected.

www.pv-master.com



GRADUATE SCHOOL KleE

The post graduate programme „Small scale renewable energy systems“, (abbr. KleE) with 15 postgraduate scholarships officially started on 1st July 2011 and their research activities are on a very promising way, as it was demonstrated to the professors during the last KleE workshop on 18th/19th October 2012. During this last workshop we also organized a course for scientific writing in English to perfectly prepare the publications expected for the near future. All research projects of KleE students were updated on the KleE website:

www.klee.uni-freiburg.de



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EE-Regionen

The project “EE-Regionen” (Renewable Energy Regions) will be present with its own booth at the 3rd congress “Energieautonome Kommunen in Freiburg” from 10th – 12th April 2013 and Dr. Ruppert-Winkel will present a speech related to “Chances and Challenges of Self-Supply with Renewable Energies”. Further information is available on: www.energieautonome-kommunen.de



www.energieautonome-kommunen.de

3. KONGRESS

10.-12. April 2013
Konzerthaus Freiburg



ee-regionen: Sozialökologie der Selbstversorgung

The final conference of the project will take place in Berlin on 5th March 2013:
More information available on the website of the project: www.ee-regionen.de

Convention of Environmental Laureates

The second International Convention of Environmental Laureates will take place in Freiburg from 14th to 17th March 2013. The title will be “The Limits to Growth and Green Growth” and it will again be organized by the European Environment Foundation. REM students will get the opportunity to contribute within the roundtable “Laureates meet Young Talents”.



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New faculty structure and name

The new name for our “Faculty of Forest and Environmental Sciences“ is now “Faculty of Environment and Natural Resources“. There’s also a new structure for the faculty with three institutes: forest sciences, geo- and environmental natural sciences, environmental social sciences and geography (see www.ffu.uni-freiburg.de)

Honorary Professorships for ZEE advisory board members

Two of our advisory board members were awarded an honorary professorship by the University of Freiburg:

Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker is honorary professor for environmental and resources policy at the Faculty of Environment and Natural Resources.



Prof. Dr. Rainer Grießhammer is honorary professor for sustainable products at the Faculty of Environment and Natural Resources.



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