

DEVELOPING A BIOENERGY SECTOR IN THE MIDLANDS

BIOREGIONS Seminar and Workshop Thurs 3rd February 2011 9.00 – 4.30
 Bloomfield House Hotel, Mullingar, Co Westmeath, Ireland

MORNING SEMINARS

9.00	Registration Bloomfield House Hotel, Mullingar, Co Westmeath	Caroline Moran WCD & team
9.20	Welcome and Introduction By Joe Potter CEO of WCD, who will chairing the proceedings for the day.	Joe Potter CEO WCD
9.30	BIOREGIONS An introduction to the BIOREGIONS Project and vision for a BIOREGION in Midlands <i>Patrick Daly is a sustainable energy specialist and consultant to WCD.</i>	Patrick Daly BIOREGIONS
10.00	Bioenergy in Ireland An introduction to Bioenergy in Ireland and overview of the market, developments, opportunities and challenges. <i>Noel Gavigan is an engineer / advisor with the Irish Bioenergy Association</i>	Noel Gavigan Irish Bioenergy Association
10.30	Bioenergy opportunities from Forestry and Farming An overview of emerging Bioenergy resources and opportunities from forestry and farming in Midlands. <i>Barry Caslin is a Bioenergy expert with Teagasc.</i>	Barry Caslin Teagasc
11.00	Break – Coffee / Tea	
11.30	Bioenergy opportunities from Biodegradable Waste Using Anaerobic Digestion (AD) to realise energy and other benefits from biodegradable waste material. <i>Vicky Heaslop is an expert consultant on Anaerobic Digestion</i>	Vicky Heaslop Methanogen Ltd
12.00	Case Study The Hotel Users Perspective A case study of the biomass 540KW boiler installation at Roganstown Hotel and Country Club, including economic assessment, and post installation assessment. <i>Ian Mc Guinness is a hotel manger with experience of implementing a biomass system</i>	Ian Mc Guinness Roganstown Hotel and Country Club
12.30	Power Demands A presentation on the emerging demands for biomass in the midlands from regional power stations for co-firing and biomass plants. <i>Geraldine O Sullivan is a member of the IFA's Committee for Alternative Land Use.</i>	Geraldine O Sullivan IFA Alternative Land Use
1.00- 2.00	Lunch break	

AFTERNOON WORKSHOP

2.00	The Swedish Experience A presentation from a BIOREGIONS expert, mentor to the Irish target region, and a 'best practice' region in Sweden, with examples of local Bioenergy markets, solutions, supply chains and case studies. <i>Alan Sherrard is a specialist on Biomass and Forestry based in Sweden.</i>	Alan Sherrard LTC Sweden BIOREGIONS
2.30	Discussion Groups	Group Facilitators
3.30	Open Forum	Chair Joe Potter & Panel
4.30	Summary and Close	Chair Joe Potter