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## Notification

# Renewable Energy Finance & Investment Forum

27 - 28 April 2012

Bonn - Germany

### Introduction

The JANERO Consultancy GmbH is organising a high level Economic Community of West African States (*ECOWAS*) business and investment Promotion forum.

As the **only dedicated** African Renewable Energy and finance event held in the nation's former capital, the **Renewable Energy Finance & Investment Forum** is a high profile meeting point bringing together global investors, to take a focused look at renewable energy investment opportunities in ECOWAS countries.

From **venture capital** and **private equity**, to **tax** and **debt** finance for renewable energy projects to **institutional investors** looking for reliable long term returns- the forum welcomes renewable energy companies and investors alike to examine new investment avenues and forge new partnerships.

### Aim

The aim is to enable producers, developers, utilities, manufacturers, suppliers, large energy consumers, investors & lenders, municipalities, and governments, explore the business and investment potentials of the West African markets, to build new business relations and also strengthen the Diaspora position of African and European entrepreneurs in West African countries.

### Key topics to be addressed will include:

- Renewable energy markets available in ECOWAS countries;
- Strategic and institutional investment available to the renewable energy market;
- Federal and state funding available and how to get it;
- Private equity and expansion capital;
- Early stage Venture Capital investment;
- Where and how to obtain tax equity investment;
- Balancing project finance with tax equity, debts, and other methods

### Investment opportunities across some of the key sectors are:

- Oil & Gas Exploration,
- Energy,
- Infrastructure,
- Mining,
- Real Estate Development,
- Health,

- Agribusiness,
- Industrial & Manufacturing; and more.....!

### **What's in it for you?**

- Factors that are fundamental to ensuring that your project gets financed.
- Where future finance lies from public and private sources.
- Critical milestones to securing investments.
- Roundtable discussions on how different renewable technologies compare.

### **Language**

Conference language is English. Translation services for French and German will be provided in certain cases.

### **Registration Fees**

A limited number of scholarships and waivers will be available for African Business and Entrepreneurship Network (ABEN) members. Kindly check rates at: [Fees=>](#)

### **Visas and Immigration formalities**

a. Participants who are not citizens of Schengen countries, or countries which does not have visa waiver agreement with Germany, must apply for visas from the German Embassies or Consulates in their country of origin. For information concerning visitors' visas kindly visit:

<http://www.auswaertigesamt.de/www/en/willkommen/einreisebestimmungen/visumangelegenheiten.html>

b. As a rule, missions require between two and ten working days to decide on an application for a short-stay visa. However, during the peak travel season there may be a waiting period for making the application to the German mission. Applicants are therefore advised to submit their applications minimum three weeks before time.

### **Health Insurance**

The organisers shall not be responsible for health insurance coverage. Participants must have adequate insurance to cover any medical services required.

### **Accommodation**

Participants are responsible for making their own accommodation reservations. A servicing fee of Euro 20,- per head will be charged for those who would want the Secretariat to reserve rooms for them.

### **Travel**

Organisers are not responsible for participants travel and other expenses. However, organisers can support in travel arrangements upon request. Enquiries could be sent to: [travel@janero.eu](mailto:travel@janero.eu)

## Contact

Intending participants are encouraged to contact the Janero Events Coordinators for all registration and general enquiries.

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