

Newsletter from Indonesia

1. Indonesia ratified Kyoto Protocol.

After a long period of preparation to formulate the necessary documents such as the scientific rationale of the ratification, establishment of the DNA (Designated National Authority) and series of dialog with stake holders and the Legislative Body an agreement was finally reached between the government and the Peoples' Representative Assembly in June 23rd, 2004. Several developers working on biomass energy have been trained on how to formulate and prepare the necessary documents such as the PIN and PDD so that they can make use of the CDM as one alternative to promote the use of RE technology for sustainable development as well as an effective means to prevent global warming.

3. World Renewable Energy Regional Congress 2005.

On the occasion of the 50th Anniversary of the Bandung Conference, an Asian African Summit will be held in April 2005. The Indonesian Renewable Energy Society (IRES) is planning to hold a World Renewable Energy Regional Congress after being endorsed by the World Renewable Energy Network in Brighton, UK and by the Asian Center of Energy (ACE) office in Jakarta. The scheduled Congress will be hosted by the Indonesian Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources, Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Environment, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Several issues related to renewable energy utilization and development, from policy issues to practical aspect of RE in our effort to fight poverty in the Asian and African continent, will be discussed in plenary and technical sessions as well as in the form of workshops. The congress will also provide forum for business transaction and exhibition in our effort to bring RE technology into the main streams of development. A special session on biomass energy is being proposed and a workshop can also

4. Seminar on Technology for Waste Management.

BATAN the Indonesian Nuclear Energy Agency held a Seminar on September 15, 2004 at PUSPIPTEK (The Center of Development of Science and Technology), Serpong, West Java. Around 60 participants from Research Institutes, university and staff of related Departments attended the seminar. The main topics discussed covered the area on Policy issues and regulations on waste management, Technology for processing and safety in handling various kinds of wastes, and socio cultural and economic aspects of waste management.

5. Plan to establish INSOR

A meeting among member of ANOR in Indonesia was held on September 25, 2004, in CREATA-IPB, Bogor. In the meeting it was agreed upon by all members on the idea to establish INSOR (the Indonesian Society of Organics Recycling) and it was also agreed to conduct a National Workshop sometime in December 2005.

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