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The Way Forward to the
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Background

- Johannesburg Plan of Implementation of the WSSD:
... need to substantially increase the global share of renewable energy sources ...
- Context to Millennium Development Goals: eradication of poverty by promoting access to energy and thus sustainable development
- Invitation by German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder at the WSSD
- The declaration “The way forward to renewable energies” of the Johannesburg Renewable Energy Coalition (JREC)

Rationale for renewable energies on a global scale:



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Sustainable development both for industrialised and developing countries through:

- Climate protection
- Energy security and diversification, reduced dependence on fossil fuels
- Access to modern energy services – in particular electricity – as a central element of poverty eradication
- Health benefits: reduction of local and indoor air pollution
- Economic opportunities
- Technology development



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Key issues at the conference

Lead question:

How can the share of modern renewables be substantially increased in industrialised and developing countries?

- A more effective governance and improved policy framework
- Creating a market for RE
- Better finance
- Capacity and institution development, research and development



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Expected outcome

What could be the value-added of the conference?

- International action plan consisting of actions and commitments of governments, international organisations and stakeholders (business and civil society)
- National and regional targets and timetables for renewables, on a voluntary basis in a bottom-up approach
- Guidance for good policy for RE
- Follow-up process



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Preparatory process

An international preparatory process has been launched to ensure substantive outcomes:

- International Steering Committee
- Regional preparatory meetings planned for Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America & Caribbean
- Presentations / side events at major international events
- Consultations with governments

Additionally, a National Advisory Committee was created.



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Participation

“Extended” governmental conference

- Key participants: governments, e.g. Ministers for Energy, Environment, Development; all governments of the world will be invited
- International community (UN and other international organisations, International Finance Institutions - IFI)
- Civil society, private sector, NGOs



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Conference Structure (preliminary)

June 1st: Opening ceremony; Multi-Stakeholder-Dialogue
(governments and stakeholders)

June 2nd: Project presentations, Parliamentarian Forum

June 3rd: High level segment, ministerial panels

June 4th: Adoption of outcome, closing session

In parallel: senior officials meetings preparing outcome

Special conference elements:

- Side events
- exhibition
- Investment forum considered



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