

**Policy Workshop – Development of Offshore Wind Energy (30 September and 1 October 2004, Egmond aan Zee, the Netherlands)**

On Thursday 30 September and Friday 1 October an important European policy workshop on the “Development of Offshore Wind Energy” (within the framework of the Dutch presidency of the EU) was held in Egmond aan Zee, the Netherlands. High level government officials of EU Member States and representatives from NGOs joined together and succeeded in preparing a Declaration on the future of Offshore Wind Energy deployment in Europe. This Declaration will be further discussed at the EU and Telecom Council on 29 November 2004. The workshop was chaired by the Director-General of the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs and was opened by Minister Brinkhorst of the Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs.

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