



EUROPEAN COMMISSION
RESEARCH DIRECTORATE-GENERAL

Directorate J - Energy
Energy production and distribution systems

Launching Event & 1st General Assembly of the European Technology Platform SmartGrids “Electricity Networks of the Future”

6-7 April 2006

Brussels, Charlemagne building
Rue de la Loi 170

Objectives:

- Present the Platform’s Vision report and the first version of the Strategic Research Agenda, discuss it with a wide audience, and seek orientation and where possible validating its recommendations.
- Help the Technology Platform to monitor its own progress and define the work plan for the next period.
- Facilitate the dissemination of results of running projects, the alignment of on-going activities with the Technology Platform objectives and the exchange of ideas for new public-private initiatives.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME (version 1.2)

1st Day: 6 April 2006

9:30 Opening and Vision. Chair:

Christian Sasse, TP-AC Chairman

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| – EU-Commissioner | Janez Potočnik (confirmed) |
| – EU-Commissioner | André Piebalgs (to be confirmed) |
| – EU-Presidency | Austrian Minister |
| – EU-Parliament | MEP-ITRE |
| – Vision of TP | C. Sasse, TP-AC Chairman |
| – Stakeholders’ point of view | 3~4 high level speakers ¹ |

¹ Possible candidates might be the CEO companies’ associated to the AC members; they will present the industrial/market drivers and motivation, and possibly same lighthouse initiatives.

