GEOELEC Proposal Creation of National Geothermal Committees

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Promote Across the EU: Creation of National Geothermal Committees

Example from France

July 2010: Energy Ministry launched a 'Comité National de la géothermie' to propose actions and recommendations for a geothermal development in France.

Composed by 35 members from 5 different sectors:

- State level
- Local authorities
- NGOs
- Employers
- Workers

Meet regularly (every 2 months)

Secretariat managed by the Ministry



First Results

- 3 First key actions:
- Simplifying administrative procedure and quality
- Training professionals
- Disseminating information
- 2 Key objectives:
- Multiply the geothermal production by 6
- Create 80 000 jobs in the geothermal sector
- Consolidate French position as a leading geothermal country



Feedback from 1 member (C. Boissavy, President AFPG)

- Opportunity for professionals of the geothermal sector to:
- Speak directly with the State
- ➤ Dialogue with the « Greens » and with representatives from the Civil Society
- Trade unions and consumer associations are the most motivated
- ➤ Need a high level person as President



GEOELEC Project Goal

- Make a proposal to Energy Ministries and National Energy Agencies

- See the creation of such a Committee in 4-5 countries during the next 30 months



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