

EVENT DESCRIPTION

RES-e Regions

Title: Steering group meeting
Date & location: **20 October 2006, Gothenburg**
Organiser: Regional Administration of Västra Götaland
Number of Participants: 20

Short description:

19 regional experts gathered for a half-day meeting discussing the future potential, barriers, measures needed and the present situation in terms of renewable energy and energy efficiency in the region.

The group is also a reference group for the work with a new strategy in the energy and climate change field for the region. The RES-e issues are one of the most important parts in this work as the region has a substantial use of electricity where of less than 15% is covered by regional RES-e production. Other important issues are the RES-Heat area as well as the transport sector.

Background:

The regional administration of Västra Götaland has decided to renew their energy strategy and also enlarge the scope to a strategy for a less fossil energy demanding region or a so called "low carbon economy". The strategy will be adopted during 2007.

In line with this strategic work an indepth analysis of the situation today and future potentials and possibilities in the energy field has been initiated. KanEnergi, as subcontractor to STEM, which is partner in the RES-e Regions project, as well as a regional actor has been involved in this work.

This will be an important part and foundation to the adoption of a new regional strategy in the energy and climate change area. The project has, through KanEnergi, provided input on the energy situation today, potentials for RES-e, RES-heat and RUE in different fields. KanEnergi will also analyse and describe best practice working methods used within and outside the region which can be adopted by the region.

Aim:

The aim of the meeting was to get valuable input from the experts on the development of the regional strategy. Another aim was to identify the main barriers in different fields as well as identifying key areas where measures should be taken.

Programme:

1. The mission – Tomas Ekberg, Regional development department
2. Implementation of regional study – Karin Ibenholt ECON
3. The energy situation of today - Mats Rydehell KanEnergi
4. The potential for RES-e, RES-HEAT and RUE in the region – Mats Johansson, KanEnergi
5. Group discussions on:
 - o Scenarios for the future
 - o How can the energy use and potential be further developed and described
 - o How can we make best use of the knowledge and experience in the region?
 - o Examples of good practice – within and outside the region
6. Reports from the groups
7. Other issues and date for next meeting

Results, follow-up:

The meeting minutes (only available in Swedish) have been distributed to all participants and the experts input and views will be included in the work with the regional strategy.

Further information: www.vgregion.se/miljo

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