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The EU Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) takes place in the Republic of Moldova from the 15th of June to the 21st of June

The EU Sustainable Energy Week (EUSEW) 2015 is organized for the second time in the Republic of Moldova, starting from Monday 15th June to Sunday 21st of June.

Launched in 2006 as an initiative of the European Commission, the EUSEW gathers hundreds of organizations and individuals across Europe and beyond to spread best practices, inspire new ideas to contribute to achieving the EU's 2020. The Republic of Moldova is working actively to reinforce Energy Efficiency within the country, promote the use of renewable sources of energy and modernize energy infrastructures.

The Energy Strategy of the Republic of Moldova until 2030 and the National Action Plan for the promotion of energy from renewable sources for 2013-2020 have set ambitious goals close to EU ones for the promotion of sustainable Energy in the country, such as:

- 20% of the country's energy consumption to come from renewable sources by 2020;
- At least 10% of biofuels in total fuels consumption;
- A 20% reduction of primary energy use;
- A reduction of greenhouse gas emissions of at least 25% below 1990 levels

The institutions from the Republic of Moldova are working in cooperation with international partners to reach these ambitious goals which will contribute to a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and environmental pollution but also provide the ground for **cheaper, more secure and sustainable energy production in the country**. This is a key issue which will bring benefit to all the citizens of Republic of Moldova.

European Sustainable Energy Week comes to reinforce these objectives, with a series of events focused on increasing public awareness on the importance of a sustainable energy future. The agenda of the week includes conferences, open discussions, exhibitions, quizzes on topics of energy and other events. Their goal is to promote energy efficiency and a sound energy consumption culture.

The activities organised will take place in various locations in Chisinau and the rest of the country, with the main location for events being the "Stefan cel Mare" park.

EUSEW 2015 will culminate on Sunday, the 21st of June 21, with SUN DĂ-I Fest– a concert powered by solar energy, followed by exhibitions of technologies based on renewable energy, ECO-zone and activities for children, fairs.

Additional information:

The event is organized by the Delegation of European Union to Republic of Moldova together with Moldovan and international partner institutions, as well as various projects funded by the European Union in Moldova.

The official opening ceremony will take place on the 15th of June, with the participation of **EU Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, Pirkka Tapiola and Vice Minister Tudor Copaci.**

The opening will take place in the "**Stefan cel Mare**" park, at **11.00.**

On the 17th of June, during the **Climate Diplomacy Day**, several events organised in the framework of EUSEW will focus on climate diplomacy and the importance of this issue for the sustainable future of the planet.



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