



The Low Carbon Energy and Environment Network of Wales (LCEE) would like to invite you to a free workshop and networking event.

Venue: Gregynog Hall, Newtown, Powys, SY26 3PW

Dates: **Wednesday, 2nd October, evening only** – dinner and open networking opportunity for those wishing to travel up the night before, registration by 17:00

Thursday, 3rd October 2013, 10:00 – 15:30 – registration from 10:00, meeting begins 10:30, see below for details

LCEE is a Welsh Government A4B funded Knowledge Exchange Project being run out of Aberystwyth University, whose main objective is:

To establish a multi-disciplinary network from academia and industry to identify priorities, opportunities and barriers associated with sustainable resource management, renewable energy and bio-based products and services in Wales.

This upcoming event is an opportunity to get away from the office and lab to explore collaborative links and develop interdisciplinary research ideas in the area of Low Carbon Energy and the Environment.

The workshop will be run as an Open Space meeting (see below) and is open to all those already working in the area of low carbon energy and environment or those with no current research activities in the area but who have a desire to engage with the low carbon agenda in Wales.

The aim of this event is to contribute to a roadmap of the major barriers and opportunities for research and enterprise in the low carbon sector in Wales. It is hoped that the event will facilitate the development of real multidisciplinary project proposals, and will benefit from the presence of representatives from the Welsh Government representatives who can advise on relevant funding opportunities.

For those preferring to travel up the night before (2nd October), we have organised dinner, accommodation and a meeting room for open networking (registration by 5pm).

Attendance for both days is free and includes meals and, if arriving on the 2nd October, accommodation at Gregynog Hall.

To book, please go to the following link http://www.survey.bris.ac.uk/aber/lcee_booking to fill in the booking form or click on the booking form link in the invitation email. Places are limited, so please book early. Completion of a booking form will not guarantee a place but we will confirm with you as soon as possible.

For those unfamiliar with the Open Space process, it was first formally described by Harrison Owen in the 1980s, follow this link to his website http://www.openspaceworld.com/brief_history.htm

Briefly, Open Space meetings have no formal agenda beyond the overall theme, in this case **Low Carbon Energy and the Environment: towards a low carbon economy for Wales**. They begin with participants raising issues that will set a working agenda for the day and will result in a series of breakout sessions, with participants free to join in with those most relevant or interesting to them. In this way, the issues that are most important to people will be discussed and the issues raised will be addressed by the participants best capable of getting something done about them.

If you require any further information please get in touch, otherwise we look forward to seeing you there.

