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**Ministry of Science
and Higher Education**
Republic of Poland



**INVITATION
to a conference**

**SCIENTIFIC SUPPORT TO A COMPETITIVE EUROPEAN LOW CARBON ECONOMY:
ENERGY, TRANSPORT AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES**

7 July 2011

The Palace of Culture and Science, 1 Plac Defilad, Warsaw, Poland

The Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education and the Polish Academy of Sciences together with the European Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) are organising a conference entitled "Scientific Support to a Competitive European Low Carbon Economy: Energy, Transport and Emerging Technologies". This conference, held under the auspices of the Polish EU Presidency, will take place in Warsaw on 7 July 2011 from 09h00 to 16h30 at the Palace of Culture and Science.

The conference will address issues that will be central to the progressive transition of the EU towards a low carbon society: energy, transport, and emerging technologies. The conference participants will discuss how science can support the building of a European low carbon economy while at the same time preserving its ability to be competitive at the global markets.

Europe is facing huge energy challenges: increasing demand, dependence on imports, the strain on fossil fuel resources, and threats to security of supply. This is taking place against the background of global climate change in which carbon emissions are a key factor with the EU currently depending on fossil fuels for the greater part of its energy.

Through its selected theme the conference will contribute to the Europe 2020 Strategy and more particularly to the flagships on "Resource-efficient Europe" and "Industrial Policy for the Globalisation Era".

We would be pleased if you could attend this conference or nominate another participant from your organisation.

Please confirm your participation by 6 July 2011 to <https://web.jrc.ec.europa.eu/registration>.

I am looking forward to seeing you on 7 July.

Yours sincerely,

Maciej Banach,
Under Secretary of State
of the Ministry of Science
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