

PRESS INFO:

OCEANS, THE PETROL STATIONS OF THE FUTURE?

The English company Marine Resource Management, directed by the scientist John Munford, will cultivate algae in the oceans in order to produce biofuels. Munford, who will participate as lecturer during the Conference on Biofuels from algae in Spain, says that cultivating the North Sea could cover all the needs of fuel for transportation worldwide.

Despite of the apparent advantages of the project, this possibility has arisen as a high controversy, due to the fact that there are unknown possible side effects of a massive cultivation of algae on the marine environment. Despite that, in case that this project becomes real, these projects would represent a major advance in the objectives of reducing our dependence on oil.

John Munford participates in the International Congress Bio-mass and Biofuels Production from Algae Oil, together with other 13 recognized experts in this field. Anastasios Melis, a scientist from the University of Berkeley or Stefan Kraan of the Irish Seaweed Center. The Spanish investigation will be represented at this congress by Eduardo Ferrandis, researcher director of the University of Alicante, and Cristian Gomis, scientific director of the Spanish BFS, the first company which has produced biofuel from algae.

The business potential will focus the lectures to be presented by the representatives of Biofields (Mexico), Origin Oil Inc. (USA), Oil Fox SA (Argentina), Fluor S.A., Algasol Renewables or the Dutch multinational Kema Energy Consulting. The concern for the environment, also present, will be the protagonist of the lecture to be presented by the Al Gore Spanish representation for the Program Against Climate Change.

The congress will have available two exhibition areas where there will be exposed several prototypes of bio-reactors, together with posters and information videos that will offer the latest technological developments on the production of biofuels from algae.

The International Congress Biomass and Biofuels Production from Algae will take place at the University of Alicante-Spain, on 30th and 31st of October 2008.

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