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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND INNOVATION

April 28 and 29, 2006
Ballrooms of the Vienna Imperial Palace (Redoutensäle)
Josefsplatz 3, 1010 Vienna, Austria
Under the Auspices of Austria’s EU Presidency

Pre-registration on Thursday April 27, 2006
at the Vienna City Hall
The conference will focus on the links between Environmental Management and Innovation in the face of sustainable development. Lectures and sessions will draw a bow from visions and strategies for sustainable economies to implementation-oriented best practice solutions, presented by industries and their scientific partners. Keynotes will be provided by the well-known international futurist Hazel Henderson, USA, as well as by Reto Ringger, founder of the Sustainable Asset Management Group (SAM), Switzerland.

Beside parallel sessions in typical technical conference style, the conference will offer interactive working sessions, using new forms of communication for large groups in "World Café Style". Poster sessions and Multi-Media exhibitions of the Austrian "Factory of Tomorrow" program will assure an interesting and diversified program for all participants.

Parallel sessions will be held on **Sustainable Product Development and Innovation**, on **Sustainable Management Systems** and on **Sustainability Reporting and Environmental Accounting**. The future of environmental management systems and the EU Eco Management and Audit Scheme EMAS will be addressed.

**The conference is free of charge but requires registration by March 31, 2006 at the latest!**

*Conference Language: English / German translation for plenary sessions*

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