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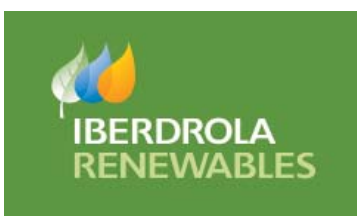
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Center Welcomes Assistant Professor Jin Jo

Dr. Jin Jo is an Assistant Professor of the Renewable Energy Program at Illinois State University. Dr. Jo has earned the nation's first Ph.D. in sustainability, completing his studies at Arizona State University. His research, which has appeared in *Habitat International* and *Building & Environment*, focuses on the use of sustainable building strategies and renewable energy to reduce negative impacts of urbanization and local governments in Illinois.

"Among the many research projects I've completed during my PhD study at ASU, hands-on research projects with Arizona Public Service (APS) and the city of Chandler in Arizona provided particularly valuable results with regard to sustainable technology and renewable energy applications. By the time I completed those projects, officials from the utility company and the city government wished to continue further analyses with me but I had to move to Illinois to join the Illinois State University faculty. I would like to explore the same opportunities with the Center for Renewable Energy's industry partners."



Solar Conference to be Held October 29th

The Center for Renewable Energy is working with Heartland Community College and the Midwest Renewable Energy Association (MREA) to coordinate a new conference on Solar Energy. The conference will be held on October 29th, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Normal Theater, as part of the Illinois Energy Expo that Heartland is coordinating at the Marriott in Normal.

Conference speakers will present on solar resource, technology, economics, marketplace, training capacity and partnerships to an audience of mayors, city planners, council members, and the general public. Presenters already confirmed include **Mayor Chris Koos** from the Town of Normal, **Mark Burger** of the Kestrel Development Company, and **Dave Kennell** from the Center for Renewable Energy. The link for details and to pre-register will be available soon on our website.



Center Information on Display at Energy Events



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The Center for Renewable Energy will exhibit at a number of upcoming events.

The first area event will be at Illinois State University's Horticulture Center for Sculptures in the Garden on September 9th, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. At that location is the Center for Renewable Energy's 1 kW Bergey wind turbine which is part of the Center's demonstration hybrid 1 kW wind / 1 kW solar grid-tie capable renewable energy system, sits on top of a 97' guy-wire tower.

An exhibit booth will also be featured at the Central Illinois Green Expo in East Peoria, September 10th, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and 11th, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The event is designed to explore critical issues that impact the sustainability of our region.

In November, the Center will have an exhibit booth at the Illinois Science Teachers Association conference in Springfield.

Recent events included having Center information brochures and recent reports available at the Fabricators & Manufacturers Association, International's Wind Energy Conference: Opportunities for Suppliers, that was held in Cedar Rapids, IA, August 31st and September 1st.

Employers and Students to Network at Career Fair

The Center for Renewable Energy will participate in a Career/Internship Fair to provide employers with an opportunity to network with current students and graduates from Illinois State University who are pursuing degrees in the areas of Renewable Energy, Construction, Safety and Interior Design.

This event will be held at Illinois State University's Bone Student Center on Thursday, September 30 at 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. featuring speaker Bill Smith, President of Development Management Services for MGM Hospitality, responsible for worldwide development services from project inception through final completion.

Employer registration is \$400 which includes Career Fair registration for one attendee (no charge for additional attendees), one 8' table, parking, reception 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m., and dinner 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

To register, please see the Career Center's registration system at http://www.experience.com/emp/cf_details?fhnd=4672 under "Construction Management Career Fair", or call the Career Center at 309-438-2200. Additional questions may be referred to Susan Deason at the Center for Renewable Energy at 309-438-8097.

UPCOMING EVENTS

IWWG Full Group Conference Call

Wednesday, September 22
10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Speaker: Neil Palmer of
Neil Palmer and Associates
Topic: Large Wind - Siting,
Zoning, Communications

Career and Internship Fair

Thursday, September 30
3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Illinois State University
Bone Student Center, Normal, IL

Solar Conference

Friday, October 29
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Normal Theatre, Normal, IL

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