

<b>Title of the Official Side Event</b> (50 words max)	Access to renewable energy: trilateral cooperation for technological innovation and expansion of renewable energy in developing countries
<b>Side Event Theme / Description</b> (300 words max)	<p>One of the central topics of DIREC 2010 is the role renewable Energy can play for achieving the Millennium Development Goals.</p> <p>Access to energy is a precondition to achieve this goal, which can only be realised through strategic alliances with the private sector. Technology cooperation must take place between developing countries, and must be supported by industrialised countries (trilateral cooperation).</p> <p>Spreading renewable energy technology at a large scale requires dialog with local companies and the local population. This is an area in which the German development cooperation has worked particularly successfully over the years. Multinational technology companies and German market leaders increasingly realise that innovation can only come about if partner countries are integrated into the entire process.</p>
<b>Potential speakers and panelists</b>	5-6 High-level representatives from: - major technology companies (e.g. Bosch, Enercon, Suzlon Energy, Siemens) - International Financial Institutions, International Organisations (e.g. OECD, IEA, World Bank) - German Development Cooperation / Partner Countries  <i>Panelists will give introductory presentations of five minutes each in order to launch an open exchange which will develop visions and recommendations for successful "triangle-cooperation" with active private sector involvement.</i>