

Johannes Linneborn Prize

for Achievements in Biomass Development

It is being awarded on the occasion of the 12th European Conference on Biomass for Energy, Industry and Climate Protection in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, 17-21 June 2002. The Johannes Linneborn Prize was established in 1994 for outstanding contributions to the development of energy from biomass.

Johannes Linneborn, who lived 1899-1991, was a pioneer in modern biomass utilization. In his professional life of almost 70 years, his interest covered a wide range of activities from agriculture, energy and transport to health and nutrition. His credo was the necessity to integrate all human activities in the natural cycle of life.

The 2002 Prize Winner is

Dr.es-Sciences Dr. h.c. Philippe Chartier
Officier de la Légion d'Honneur, Commandeur du Mérite Agricole

Dr. Chartier started his career as a scientist; he made important contributions to the investigation of plant growth. At the French National Institute for Agronomic Research he was Director of a Laboratory and then Head of a Department on the role of the climate on agricultural production.

Philippe Chartier was the leading promoter for Biomass in France and the initiator and manager for many years of the national programmes. He played an equally important role at the European Commission in Brussels where he was the chief expert for the first R&D Programmes on Biomass and gave essential inputs to their strategic orientation. Later he served for several years as President of the EC Committee with responsibility for the whole Non-Nuclear Energy R&D. Philippe Chartier organised in France the setting up of AFME, the National Energy Agency, and later ADEME, Agence de l'environnement et de la maîtrise de l'énergie, which includes the environment and waste sectors. He was the Scientific Director in both of these organisations.

Philippe Chartier was one of the leading operators of the European Biomass Conferences from the start 1982 in Brighton until today.

With this Award we honour the achievements of his extraordinary life as a scientist, an indefatigable promoter and manager always in the service of his country and the wider Europe. His commitment for a better environment and sustainable energy, in particular Bioenergy, makes him one of the outstanding leaders in the field. The Biomass community of Europe is proud to have him as its friend.

Dr. Wolfgang Palz
Conference Chairman

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