

Johannes Linneborn Prize

for Achievements in Biomass Development

On the occasion of the 8th European Conference on Biomass held 3-5 October 1994 in Vienna, Austria, EUROSOLAR, the Association for the promotion of renewable energies establishes the Johannes Linneborn Prize for outstanding contributions to the development of energy from biomass.

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

Dott. Ing. Giuliano Grassi from Florence

is the first Prize winner in 1994. After having spent almost 18 years in the nuclear reactor field, G. Grassi in 1979 became involved in the development of renewable energies as an official of the European Commission in Brussels, where he has worked since that time. He rapidly became the leader of the bioenergy programme of the European Union. He established with perseverance important concepts for bioelectricity and the production of bio-crude-oil from cellulosic materials via pyrolysis. Regional integration was also developed by him. He has always worked in a great spirit of friendship, modesty and farsightedness. His exceptional expertise is also highly respected outside the European Union, in the Scandinavian countries, Brazil and China. The Biomass World conveys its appreciation and gratitude to Dott. Giuliano Grassi.

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