## THE JOHANNES LINNEBORN PRIZE

The second Johannes Linneborn Prize for outstanding contribution to the development of energy from biomass was awarded to Dr. Ralph Overend by the Conference Steering Committee.

Dr. Ralph Overend is Principal Scientist at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Golden, Colorado.

For 24 years Dr. Overend has been a key person in the management, planning and execution of biomass energy projects in Canada and the USA. He is a specialist in chemical reaction kinetics and has applied his knowledge to practical development of the thermochemical and biological processes for bioenergy production. Dr Overend has been closely involved in European biomasss programmes for many years as an advisor and catalyst in the technology transfer between Europe and North America. He is also presently involved in biomass programmes in China, Brazil and Indonesia. Conference chairman Stefan Hultberg presented the prizewinner and expressed the pleasure on behalf of the conference to honour an eminent proponent of bioenergy who combines technical and scientific skills with excellent management capabilities.

The laudatio was given by Dr. David Hall.



Ralph Overend, David Hall, Malene Wiinblad and Stefan Hultberg.