

Johannes Linneborn Prize

for Achievements in Biomass Development

On the occasion of the 9th European Biomass Conference held 24-27 June 1996 in Copenhagen, Denmark, the second Johannes Linneborn Prize for outstanding contributions to the development of energy from biomass is awarded by the Conference Steering Committee to Dr. Ralph P. Overend.

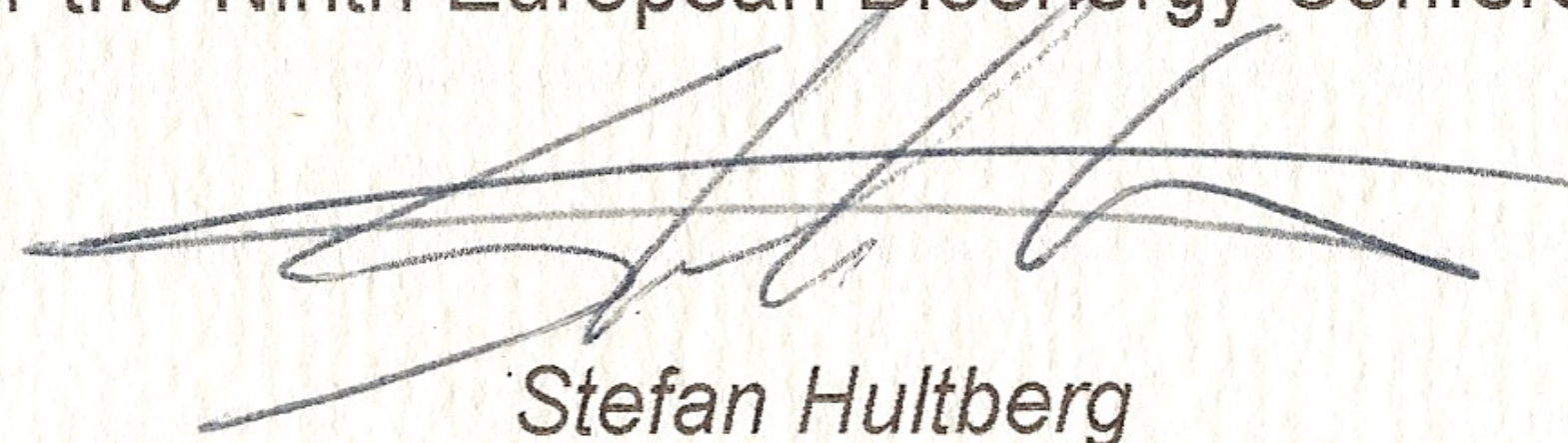
Johannes Linneborn, a German who lived 1899-1991, was a pioneer in modern biomass utilization. He is in particular known for his work on wood gasification. In his professional life of almost 70 years, his interest covered a wide range of activities from agriculture, energy, and transport to healthy nutrition.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

Dr. Ralph P. Overend

is a Principal Scientist at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory of the US Department of Energy, Golden, Colorado. For the past 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 thermochemical and biological processes for bioenergy production. Dr Overend has been closely involved in European biomass programmes for many years as an adviser and catalyst in technology transfer between Europe and North America. He is also presently involved in development of bioenergy programmes in China, Brazil and Indonesia.

The conference is pleased to honour an eminent proponent of biomass energy who combines technical and scientific expertise with excellent management capabilities.

For the Ninth European Bioenergy Conference



Stefan Hultberg
Conference Chairman