### Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences Holds Symposium on Energy in October

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The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences will hold the symposium "Energy 2050" in Stockholm in association with the Swedish European Union presidency on October 19–20, 2009. The aim of the symposium is to suggest a road map of feasible and necessary steps for future energy development of special interest in view of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen in December 2009.

Topics of special interest are energy efficiency, fuels for transportation, renewable energy sources such as sunand wind-power, fourth-generation nuclear energy, and technologies for removing existing carbon dioxide in the atmosphere or transforming it into fuels. Speakers include Nobel laureates Carlo Rubbia (formerly of CERN Laboratory) and George A. Olah (University of

Southern California) and Julia King (Vice-Chancellor of the Aston University).

For more information, access Web site www.energy2050.se or contact Secretariat, MCI Stockholm, Box 6911, 102 39 Stockholm, Sweden; e-mail confirmation-sweden@mci-group.com; tel. 46-8-5465-1500; or fax 46-8-5465-1599.

# Materials Challenges in Alternative & Renewable Energy 2010 to Be Held in February 2010

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sources and systems.

Materials Challenges in Alternative & Renewable Energy 2010 will be held on February 21–25, 2010 in Cocoa Beach, FL. Sponsored by The American Ceramic Society (ACerS), ASM International, and the Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) and endorsed by the Materials Research Society (MRS) and the Society for the Advancement of Material and Process Engineering (SAMPE), Energy 2010 aims to facilitate information sharing on the latest developments involving materials for alternative and renewable energy

Featuring tutorials and invited presentations on leading energy alternatives, Energy 2010 will address Solar, Wind, Hydropower, Geothermal, Biomass, Nuclear, Hydrogen, and Battery Technology. The conference will discuss how the overall efficiency, effectiveness, and practicality of existing and future alternative energy sources and systems are directly related to materials factors. These include materials costs, availability, and

improvements in chemical, mechanical,

electrical and/or thermal properties of materials now being considered, as well as the ability to produce and fabricate materials in forms and shapes that work effectively in areas of energy generation, storage, and distribution.

The abstract deadline is September 21, 2009.

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