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International Oil Shale Symposium

In association with the Colorado School of Mines
Tallinn, Estonia – June 2009

When: June 2009 – 2 days of panels, 2 days of field trips

Why: Escalating commodity prices and political instability related to oil production are driving the development of oil shale resources across the globe. Total world resources of oil shale are conservatively estimated at least 3 trillion barrels, which exceeds current proved oil reserves at least 3 times. Shale oil production can be economic and the technology is developing – poising oil shale as a key energy resource.

This is an opportunity to show the world that oil shale can be utilized on an industrial scale. Estonia's mature, working technologies and long standing expertise will be showcased. Industry framework and technology sessions will demonstrate solutions to the past shale problems. This conference will support the growing world interest and draw a broader set of contacts into the global group of oil shale players. *Estonia is the frontrunner in oil shale utilization – unlocking the potential of the future energy resource.*

Topics: The symposium will cover a broad spectrum of oil shale related topics:

- Exploration and Mining
- Retorting Technologies
- Combustion Technologies
- Environment & Carbon Management
- National strategies & Industry Developments

Field Trips: Lectures and tours in the heart of the Estonian oil shale industry will include: above and below ground mining sites, the world's largest oil shale fuelled (fired) power plants, a shale oil production plant.

Who: We expect to draw a large international audience of oil shale interests from across the world, with significant participation from all oil shale countries, particularly from Europe, Russia, the Middle East and Emerging Europe. Participants will include research, academic, government and industry representatives.

More Info: For additional details and more information go to: www.shaleoil.ee

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