

THE REGIONAL MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY OF LA RIOJA VISITS CENER

Sarriguren (Navarra), 22 October 2009.-The Regional Minister for Industry, Innovation and Employment of the Government of La Rioja, Javier Erro, has visited the headquarters of the National Renewable Energy Centre (CENER) this morning, accompanied by the **Chairman of Solaria Energía y Medio Ambiente, Enrique Díaz-Tejeiro**, the **Director General for Innovation and Manager of the Economic Development Agency of La Rioja, Javier Ureña** and the **Assistant Director General for Initiatives and Technology Transfer, Julio Herreros**.

During their visit, when they had the opportunity to get to know projects and activities that the national technology centre is currently working on at an international level, the delegation was attended, among others, by **the Regional Minister for Innovation, Enterprise and Employment of the Government of Navarra and President of CENER, José M^a Roig**, and the **Director General of CENER, José Javier Armendáriz**.

One of the topics dealt with was the establishment of a collaboration agreement between the Government of La Rioja and CENER, as well as the possibility of extending the R&D services currently provided by CENER to Solaria Energía.

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About CENER

The National Renewable Energy Centre of Spain is a technology centre, with excellent qualifications and international prestige, specialised in applied research and the development and promotion of renewable energies. CENER has more than 200 researchers, carrying out activities on the five continents. The Board of trustees is comprised of the Ministry of Science and Innovation, the Research Centre for Energy, Environment and Technology (CIEMAT), the Ministry of Industry and the Government of Navarra.

CENER performs its activity in six work areas in the field of energies: wind energy, solar thermal energy and photovoltaic solar energy, biomass, bioclimatic architecture and renewable energy grid integration. Its headquarters are located in the Ciudad de la Innovación (Innovation Centre), in Sarriguren - Navarra, although it has offices in other locations in Spain. It has modern accredited laboratories and facilities in Europe, as is the case of the Wind Turbine Test Laboratory (located in Sangüesa), a biomass laboratory, a thermal collector and photovoltaic module test laboratory, as well as a photovoltaic cell materials and processes laboratory.

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