

FÉLIX AVIA (CENER) WIND SECTOR AWARDWINNER

Sarriguren (Navarra), 16 June 2010.- Yesterday, Félix Avia, technician of the National Renewable Energy Centre (CENER) received the special distinction granted each year by the Wind Energy Business Association (AEE) *“for his long professional career in the wind sector, first as a pioneer technologist and later for his work in different organisations, always related to wind energy, and for his recently acknowledged international outreach when he took on the presidency of the European Wind Energy Academy”* as explained by the AEE in a press release.

Félix Avia is responsible for the offshore wind energy research line at CENER and he also currently coordinates the wind section of the International Energy Agency – IEA.

This is the third occasion that the AEE grants this award, which was received last year by Antonio Martínez (Director of IREC) and in 2008 by the IDAE (Institute for Energy Diversification and Saving).

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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, solar thermal and solar photovoltaic, 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.