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Leonardo ENERGY, a European-based renewable energy collaborative, has launched its new 3D Forum, an interactive virtual reality environment on sustainable energy, where users can browse, follow webinars, put questions to experts, access a full range of resource materials and tap into academic and industry wisdom.

LE3D offers an innovative presentation of information, and an opportunity for live and immediate interaction with a community of experts consisting of industry leaders, academics and peers. Members of the energy community are participating from around the globe.

With the launch of LE3D comes a programme of live webinars presented by industry and academic experts. Conducted every Friday 14h00 to 15h00 Europe Daylight Time, the schedules of upcoming activities are posted inside the 3D Forum. Afterwards, the speakers and other LE team members are available to answer questions and debate any issues raised either in group chat or one-to-one.

Laid out in the style of an exhibition hall, LE3D consists of themed rooms and halls. Visitors can either take a virtual stroll, or double-click anywhere on the map to be teleported directly.

Visitors arrive in the main lobby, which serves as a central meeting place. In the three halls – Energy Efficiency, Distributed Generation and Power Quality – attendees can explore interactive stands and displays on individual energy technologies as well as virtual libraries on a broad range of electrical energy related topics. These include frequently updated articles, application notes, briefing papers, reports and interactive training. The library archive room is where selected past presentations can be viewed. Software tools for engineering calculations and exploration of electrical phenomena can be found in the Tools room, off the main lobby.

As LE3D evolves, new exhibitor and academic stands will be added in the Exhibitor Area and Academic Village and a programme of conference events will be developed.

Participants in the worldwide electrical industry are welcomed to join the LE3D community and experience this innovative learning, professional development and networking environment. There

is no charge for visiting or attending any sessions. The Forum, including its exhibits and archived seminar library, is always open and available. Leonardo ENERGY encourages energy professionals to meet with colleagues and explore the 3D environment together. The website address is: <http://www.leonardo-energy.org/drupal/3dforum>. Go there to download the program and register to receive information on forthcoming events.

*Leonardo ENERGY is an initiative managed by the European Copper Institute, dedicated to building information centres to serve designers, engineers, contractors, architects, general managers, regulators, journalists, teachers and students, who are professionally or otherwise involved with electrical energy. Through various projects, including the award-winning Leonard Power Quality Initiative, over 150 partners from leading academia and industry are involved with Leonardo ENERGY.*



[Caption]

Energy professionals from around the world gather and talk together at one of the many stands in the Leonardo Energy 3D Forum. Free and always open, the 3D Forum includes interactive exhibits, archived seminars and a schedule of live events.

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