INVITATION

Dear Friend:

We are happy to invite you to participate in the 1st International Solar Food Processing Network Workshop, from the 26th to the 28th of January, 2013, in Goraj, Vadodara, India.

We have a wonderful host with lots of hands on experience in Solar Food Processing with various Renewable Energy Devices in use, the Muni Seva Ashram, Goraj, Vadodara, India. It is an NGO active in the areas of social upliftment, healthcare, education, and environment. Due to its extensive use of all forms of renewable energy and organic farming, it has become an international hub of green initiatives, and earned the title of Green Ashram. Please visit their website www.greenashram.org for more information.

Organizers :
- Solar Food Processing Network, Germany (www.solarfood.org)
- Muni Seva Ashram, Goraj, Vadodara, Gujarat, India (www.greenashram.org)

Objectives of the workshop:
- Provide an interactive platform to the members of the Solar Food Processing Network, Solar Food activists and all the stakeholders in this area.
- Share the worldwide experience in the Solar Food Processing area with special focus on India
- Offer workshops with food, marketing and technology experts
- Discuss quality requirements and the format of an international solar food standard
- Share practical examples about technology and food processing
- Foster more cooperation among all participants and agencies working in this area
- Set targets for future activities
- Establish an Solar Food Network India (to be discussed during the workshop)

The International Solarfood Processing Conference in 2009 was held in Indore, India. With this workshop we have the chance to share new developments and experience. The time is ripe, more and more initiative and projects worldwide are producing food items with the help of solar energy.
Therefore we would like to establish an Indian Solar Food Processing Network in order to strengthen and support activities in the field of solar food processing.

On Jan 28 there will be some field trips where you can visit solar food processing plants (please register).

A space for exhibition allows for practical demonstrations and exhibition of products and technologies. Please contact Karishma Gadhia - 09879 110 803 for further information of space or e-mail solarfood@greenashram.org

Topics:
- Local solar food processing technologies
- Local marketing / grassroot projects / village industries
- International marketing
- Packaging
- Policy interventions
- Research & Development/Monitoring and Evaluation
- Training Users/ Manufacturers and marketing agencies
- Solar food processing and back-up systems, how to ensure sustainable energy supply
- Solar food: Quality measures and indicators
- Examples of solar food projects: Successes and challenges, networking and cooperation

For participation please register online. Please click on the link below and fill the registration form https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dE5CVVc0RGJ4bzQ2ZW1vdlINR0ZPBgc6MQ If you are unable to click this link, please copy paste it in your browser to open the form.

We look forward to meeting you at Muni Seva Ashram, Goraj.

With sunny greetings

The Conference Team:

For Muni Seva Ashram
Deepak Gadhia

For Solar Food Network
Rolf Behringer