

Life Cycle Initiative will be launched on April 28, 2002 in Prague

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The official launch of the UNEP/SETAC Life Cycle Initiative will take place on April 28, 2002, in Prague, Czech Republic. UNEP's Executive Director, Dr. Klaus Töpfer, as well as key members of the International Life Cycle Panel, will be present at the event, organised at the welcome session of 'CP7', UNEP's Seventh High-Level Seminar on Cleaner Production. The seminar that will take place on 29–30 April, brings together senior-level decision-makers from around the world to address the challenges facing sustainable production and consumption. A plenary session on 'promoting a life cycle approach' will be organised on April 30. More than 300 participants from government, industry, organisations and academia are

expected to participate. The UNEP / SETAC Life Cycle Initiative has been established as a response to governments that in the Malmö declaration of May 2000 asked UNEP to work on life cycle approaches. CP7 is a 'by invitation only' event, however, everyone is encouraged to provide inputs to CP7 through participating in the web-based discussion forums that will be available from March. Please go to <http://www.uneptie.org/pc/sustain/>. UNEP publishes this monthly newsletter via e-mail and on the Internet.

More information about the UNEP /SETAC life cycle initiative, the launch of the initiative and the SC.net can be obtained by e-mail: Anne.Solgaard@unep.fr

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