



Energy Builders

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Canada's capacity to produce and distribute energy is strong, but Canada needs partners with the financial strength and technical expertise to facilitate necessary deals, infrastructure investments and to penetrate new markets.

This Globe and Mail special report – produced in co-operation with the Canada Europe Roundtable for Business (CERT), which brings together international decision makers to discuss energy policy concerns and facilitate bilateral trade and investment – will elevate awareness of issues surrounding Canada's energy potential. Among its topics, this report will discuss:

Industry consolidation and M&A activity. How is the global economic crisis affecting deal flow in the energy sector? What is the impact in Canada?

Energy for sale. Consumers might

welcome low energy prices, but what is the impact on long-term energy supply and infrastructure development?

Canada's oil sands futures. While labour and materials input costs for oil sands projects have decreased, only companies with strong cash flow and balance sheets are able to continue with large capital investment programmes. Does this mean only the larger companies can compete in the oil sands? Is this the rationale behind the Suncor-Petro-Can merger?

Regulatory issues. Environmental standards and energy-development plans in North America and abroad are emerging, including cap-and-trade systems for greenhouse-gas emissions. What are the implications for the energy community in Canada and abroad?

New energy technologies. Whether

it's wind, solar, small hydro or other systems, new energy technologies are adding to the mix. What role do they play in the energy landscape? What opportunities and challenges lie ahead?

Market diversification. How will renewable energy and distributed power systems mix with conventional energy infrastructure including refining and petrochemicals production? What is the most efficient mix? Who will decide? All this and more in this special report.

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