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With prices rising significantly and world energy demand expected to double by 2050 energy sector players around the globe are facing a growing sense of urgency to build capacity and meet other energy related challenges.

This special report – produced in co-operation with the XXI World Energy Congress, Montreal 2010 – will illuminate issues to be discussed at this preeminent global forum.

Among its topics, this report will discuss:

Accessibility. Meeting energy demand: a global challenge requires global solutions. It is becoming increasingly evident that the levels of energy consumption seen in recent years are unsustainable. Further, the legitimate demands of those who are now lack energy to meet their basic needs can no longer be ignored. How will suppliers meet the world's complex and growing energy demands?

Availability. What is the right energy mix for long-term stability? While the Earth's main energy sources have remained largely unchanged since the '70s, concerns over climate change and depleting conventional energy resources are placing an increasing emphasis on the need for new energy solutions. What is the right energy mix for the future?

Acceptability. Energy solutions for a living planet. Sustainable and socially and environmentally acceptable energy solutions are now prerequisites for any long-term energy supply strategy. What are the roles and concerns of various stakeholders now involved in shaping energy policy? How is this multi-stakeholder approach helping develop sustainable energy policies and practices?

Accountability. Policies, regulations and financing. Financing energy projects requires clear policies and stable regulatory frameworks to

ensure optimal use of resources and good rates of returns on investments. Why are unprecedented levels of private-public partnership and government-industry co-operation essential to achieving the required balance and ensure continuing health in the energy sector?

All this and more in this informative series.

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