

SEMINAR ON SYNFUELS

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Introduction

The purpose of the Seminar was twofold:

- i) to provide an overview of major synthetic liquid fuel developments in six IEA countries with significant activities in the field, and which were the subject of recent in- depth review visits; and
- ii) to facilitate understanding of the synfuel technologies currently deemed most attractive for future deployment, and their likely evolution.

It was considered that this dual approach would assist in placing individual national synfuel strategies in an overall programme perspective.

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These presentations cover:

a) principal current activities, including:

- scope and extent of current RD&D activities in synthetic liquid fuels;
- details of process, feedstock, throughput, product slate, and projected economics for each major demonstration plant; and
- major research thrusts; and

b) policy issues and conclusions (e.g. on appropriate future RD&D programme directions to meet policy goals) emerging from the country visits.

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This discussion includes questions on country presentations, as well as a more general discussion of principal national programme issues. It attempts to identify the major issues for Governments, and to suggest appropriate conclusions, both for individual national programmes and generically, arising from national public sector experiences in synthetic liquid fuel developments.

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