



## **Solarthermalworld.org and IEA SHC partnering to promote sustainable heating, cooling and comfort**

(Brussels, 2 October 2014) Solarthermalworld.org, the global knowledge-based web portal on the international solar thermal industry, and the International Energy Agency's Solar Heating and Cooling Programme (IEA SHC) today started a collaboration to increase visibility of the valuable research carried out by the IEA SHC on solar thermal energy.

A dedicated section was created on the Solarthermalworld.org website to publicize key IEA SHC publications: <http://solarthermalworld.org/iea-shc/iea-shc>. The IEA SHC Programme has over 35 years of international collaborative work in the field of research, development, demonstration (RD&D) and test methods for solar thermal energy and solar buildings. The results of this work are an incredible resource for researchers, policy makers, industry, utility and business representatives, builders, architects and teachers just to name some.

Solarthermalworld.org is the leading website for solar thermal energy professionals. The website gathers over 3,800 news articles and scientific papers with the latest updates, background information and research on the development of the solar thermal sector. After seven years of activity, the website has a monthly average of 9,000 visitors. The monthly Newsletter is circulated to a list of over 5,400 contacts worldwide and over 25,000 people are reached via our active social media presence.

Solarthermalworld.org and the IEA SHC Programme are looking forward to a fruitful collaboration and hope to succeed in making the valuable research published by this programme easily accessible to a wider audience.

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### **About Solarthermalworld.org**

Solarthermalworld.org is a global knowledge-based web portal providing news items and scientific research items on the international solar thermal industry, with the aim to facilitate its continued development and acceptance through information sharing and comparison of best practices.

### **About IEA Solar Heating and Cooling (SHC) Programme**

The IEA SHC Programme was founded in 1977 as one of the first multilateral technology initiatives of the International Energy Agency. It is a member-based Programme with 21 member countries and 5 member organizations. Its mission is "To enhance collective knowledge and application of solar heating and cooling through international collaboration to fulfill its vision of solar thermal energy meeting 50% of low temperature heating and cooling demand by 2050."

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