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Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

The French National Committee is organising a major Forum in association with the World Petroleum Council in November 2009 in Paris. Close to 1,000 participants, mainly young professionals from the oil and gas industry, will gather to debate the major issues facing our environment: the energy transition beyond fossil fuels, meeting fast growing energy demands, IOC-NOC relations, technological breakthroughs, environmental protection, career management and training issues for young professionals.

This event will offer current and future young industry professionals the opportunity of engaging in strategic forward-thinking with a wide range of international experts and sharing their views and ideas about the current challenges and issues facing us all. They will also be able to dialogue with students and representatives of the academic world to promote the promise of this challenging and dynamic industry and highlight the interesting career opportunities it offers.

We are convinced of the necessity and value of hosting such an event. As an industry, it will help us overcome the variety of barriers and challenges we face: an image deficit, technological complexity linked to growing demand and diversification into other sources of energy.

That is why we have committed to sponsoring this event and have formalised this support to the WPC at their recent congress in Madrid.

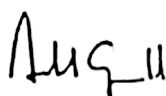
We need your involvement and financial support to make this event a success and very much hope you will join us in the exciting endeavour. The size and scope of it depend on you.

Thanking you in advance for your support, we remain

Yours Sincerely,



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