



THE E7 SUSTAINABLE ENERGY CHARTER

We, the members of E7, have a global commitment to operate our own companies, and to provide support to electric energy projects in developing and Eastern European countries, consistent with the principles of sustainable development.

We will carry out this mission consistent with the following principles:

1. We will work to create long-term sustainable energy strategies which promote a quality environment and improve the standard of living.
2. We will practice environmental, energy, and economic efficiency which creates the most value with the least resources and the least amount of environmental impact.
3. We will work to increase the capacity of people and institutions to follow a sustainable development path, in part through training and enhancement of skills, including expertise in the management of environmental issues. In developing and eastern European countries, we will also promote the use of local manufacturing and services.
4. Recognising each nation's right to develop its own resources, we will recommend the use of modern and proven technologies (including renewables where cost-effective) as well as expertise, taking into account the natural resources, economic, and social conditions, education, and skill levels available.

5. We will work in partnership with governments, government and non-government organisations to ensure successful projects, especially by helping to define the institutional frameworks appropriate to local social, economic, and cultural conditions.
6. We will work to minimise public and employee health and safety risks associated with our activities.