

Event Advisory/ Dr. Charles Gay to Deliver Keynote Presentation on Renewable Energy at SOLARCON China 2009

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SANTA CLARA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Mar. 12, 2009-- Governments around the world are pledging to meet aggressive clean energy targets that will make solutions like solar photovoltaics (PV) a viable part of the equation. Government policies, manufacturing capabilities and financial support will all be critical to achieving these goals. Dr. Charles Gay, president of Applied Solar at Applied Materials, Inc., will address this key topic, "New policy and development programs accelerating renewable energy in the United States," at SOLARCON China 2009 in Shanghai on March 17.

SOLARCON 2009, a SEMI* event, is being held in conjunction with the 5th China SoG Silicon and PV Power Conference (CSPV), one of the most prominent solar energy conferences in China. CSPV brings leaders from the PV industry throughout the world to exchange information on the latest technologies and developments. The conference will take place on March 17-19 at the Shanghai New International Expo Centre.

Dr. Gay began his career in 1975 designing solar power system components for communications satellites and later led the effort to commercialize single crystal silicon and thin film PV technologies. He also served as director of the U.S. Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Laboratory, the world's leading laboratory for energy efficiency and renewable energy research and technology. Dr. Gay holds numerous patents for solar cell and module construction and is the recipient of the Gold Medal for Achievement from the World Renewable Energy Congress.

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