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Dr. David POLLARD  
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**By e-mail**

Subject: **Open consultation for the preparation of FP7**

Dear **Dr. POLLARD**,

As you might already be aware through other media, the Commission has launched a wide ranging consultation for the preparation of the next Research and Development Framework Programme at the following address:

[http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/future/themes/index\\_en.html](http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/future/themes/index_en.html)

The deadline for contributions is next 31 December 2004.

I would like to stress the importance of taking this opportunity to express your views, along with other stakeholders, on the main technology topics to be dealt with Energy-research within the next Framework Programme, covering the six objectives/axes as described in the Commission Communication "*Science and Technology, the key to Europe's future – Guidelines for future European Union policy to support research*".

If you decide to prepare a contribution to this consultation, please take into account the three criteria mentioned in the consultation: contribution to EU policy objectives, European research potential and European added value.

Please do not hesitate to disseminate the content of this letter to other actors in the Energy research area who might be interested to contribute with their views.

We thank you in advance for your interest.

Yours sincerely,

*(signed)*

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