

Intervention by Gunnar Boye Olesen, International Network for Sustainable Energy, on behalf of NGOs for CSD14 thematic discussion 4/5-06 3-6 pm on industrial development and sustainable natural resources.....

First I would like to welcome the good presentations of the panellist. I hope that the important lessons presented can be used as a basis for our continued work in CSD. Why not let the well-documented concept of factor four for energy efficiency as presented by Dr. Weizsaecker be a target for future development? We would welcome that from the NGOs.

Let me also allow to elaborate on one barrier to energy and resource efficiency and a possible solution: Many energy consuming goods are sold and used in other countries, and in other regions than where they are produced. This is a barrier to increase of energy efficiency. Energy efficiency must start with the production and even with the design of energy consuming goods. This can be best be made with international cooperation, where the users and producers cooperate and use the best available knowledge to increase energy efficiency. Maybe improved international cooperation in this field can also be a result of our work?