



Ministero dello Sviluppo Economico

PRESS OFFICE

Press Handbook for G8 Energy Hotel Excelsior, Via Veneto 125 - Rome

Registering on the website www.g8energy2009.it does **NOT** constitute completion of the accreditation process. Accreditation will be granted after the requisite checks and only for those applicants who have filled in all sections of the form. In the notes it is **OBLIGATORY** to include: the identity document number, place and date of birth, the press card number and editorial position (for example, Editor in Chief, Editor, etc.). In the case of photographers or television camera operators applicants should specify the position in which they are employed (instead of press card number). In the case of freelance journalists applicants **MUST** include the name of the publication for which they will be working.

Once the accreditation has been granted, the badge permitting access to the press room and the meeting venue may be collected from the accreditation room within the Ministry of Economic Development (Via Molise 2) from Wednesday 20 May until Saturday 23 May between the hours of 9am and 4pm. Exceptionally for journalists from outside Rome it will be possible to collect badges on Sunday 24 and Monday 25 May at the same location between the same times.

Badges will be printed as they are issued. At the same time a digital photograph will be taken of the applicant to be included on the badge. To collect the badge applicants must bring a valid identity document and, where appropriate, press card.

On Wednesday 20 May at 12am a press briefing will take place in the Parlamentino Hall at the Ministry of Economic Development during which all logistical-organisational aspects of G8 Energy will be covered.

The G8 Energy Press Room - Hotel Excelsior, via Veneto 125 – will be operational on Sunday 24 and Monday 25 May from 8am to 10pm. The Press Room is equipped to allow a maximum of 200 persons.

It should be noted that the meetings of G8 Energy will take place, as is standard practice, behind closed doors. It will however be possible to conduct interviews and to take part in the press conferences called by individual delegations as well as the press conferences scheduled in the official programme.

Photographers and camera operators are asked to contact the G8 organisational office (press@g8energy2009.it) for information about the procedures and the times for filming and photo opportunities. An information desk will be operational within the G8 Press Room.

