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1. Kuwait Workshop on Ozone Layer Protection

The national committee for the protection of the ozone layer, represented by Dr. Saud Abdulaziz Al-Rushaid, said yesterday that the committee is preparing to host a workshop in Kuwait, on the occasion of the international celebration of the ozone layer, on September 16. He said in a statement to the press, that the committee formed by the Public Authority for Environment, will host via a workshop, experts from various sectors, like ministries, institutes, engineering companies, industrial companies and hotels, to review latest developments in the national programme that aims at protecting the ozone layer…
Source: Middle East News Online, 8 July 2001,
@: http://www.middleeastwire.com/environment/stories/20010708_meno.shtml

2. Saint Lucia to Phase Out Ozone Depleting Substances

Saint Lucia is working with the international community towards the goal of abolishing the use of substances, which deplete the Ozone Layer…In this connection, a three-day workshop was held recently at the Bay Gardens Hotel for customs officers and representatives of companies engaged in handling Ozone-depleting substances used in the refrigeration and air conditioning industries… Organised by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in collaboration with the Government of Saint Lucia, the workshop sought to equip participants with the necessary skills to monitor the import and export of these substances… Minister for Planning, Housing and the Environment, Hon. Dr. Walter Francois, emphasized Saint Lucia's commitment to protecting the Ozone Layer…
Full Text @: http://www.stlucia.gov.lc/pressreleases/2001/saint_lucia_to_phase_out_ozone_depleting_substances.htm
Source: Saint Lucia Government Information Service. 06 July 2001

3. Future Pan-European Pollution Register to include ODS

GENEVA, Switzerland, July 6, 2001 - At a technical meeting in Geneva this week European nations moved forward with plans to create a pan-European register of industrial pollutants. The "pollutant release and transfer register" (PRTR) is based on the US "toxic release inventory" and the European Union's "European pollutant emission register" (EPER)… Being developed in part by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, the register would cover all 50 substances listed under EPER - which is scheduled to begin in 2003 - three ozone-depleting chemicals, and about 15 other pollutants. Still, questions remain over carcinogenic pollutants that are not listed.
Full Text @: http://www.earthvision.net/ColdFusion/News_Page1.cfm?NewsID=17010
Source: Earth Vision Environmental News

4. Plane of the Future will Run on Liquid Hydrogen

Greece joins a European project to build futuristic 'Cryoplanes'
A century after the world's first flight by the Wright brothers, scientists are preparing a new revolution they call the "Cryoplane." The Cryoplane is expected to revolutionize the aerospace industry, as it will run on liquid hydrogen rather than on kerosene in a push to create an eco-friendly and cost-efficient aerial

transport industry. The new ecological plane - a European project - will be called on to solve a problem which the Wright brothers in 1903 could not have envisioned: pollution which contributes to global warming and the destruction of the ozone layer… Currently, the program is assisted by the German-based EADS Airbus and is ready to leave the drawing board and move on to the testing phase, which could last eight to 10 years before the Cryoplane gets to the production line.

Full Text @: http://www.ekathimerini.com/news/content.asp?aid=88167

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