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Building Energy to take part in the 2017 South Africa – Italy Summit

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Milan, October 24th 2017 - **Building Energy**, multinational company operating as Global Integrated IPP in the Renewable Energy Industry, will participate in the fourth edition of **The European House - Ambrosetti's "South Africa – Italy Summit"**, taking place in Johannesburg, South Africa, on October 24th and 25th 2017. The Italian company will be represented by **Luca Silva**, Head of Design and Construction Africa and Middle East of Building Energy.

The "2017 South Africa – Italy Summit", supported by the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation**, the **Italian Embassy in South Africa**, the **South African Embassy in Italy**, the **Italian Trade Agency (ITA)** and **Confindustria**, and sponsored also by **Building Energy**, is an exclusive meeting of the most influential business leaders, government authorities and economists from Italy, South Africa and Sub-saharan Africa, which provides them with a platform to debate about the most relevant geo-political and economic issues in order to increase investments and trade synergies between the two countries and the respective continents.

Luca Silva, Head of Design and Construction Africa and Middle East of Building Energy, will take part in the Summit with a speech illustrating the **company's skills and vision from start-up to successful enterprise** during the session: "**Leaders for the future**", scheduled on Tuesday, October 24th.

Founded in 2010, Building Energy has become one of Italy's largest IPPs. It owns a gross capacity of 144 MW of green power generation through power plants in South Africa, the Americas and Europe. The company has been present in Africa since 2012 and from its Cape Town office, Building Energy manages and coordinates over 40 projects that are operational and under development in Africa and the Middle East across the technologies of solar, wind and small-scale hydroelectric energy.

The main Building Energy's African projects is an **81 MW solar park in Kathu**, in the Northern Cape, one of the biggest PV plants in the continent. In April 2015 Building Energy was awarded preferred bidder status in Round Four of South Africa's REIPP programme for a **140 MW wind project in Laingsburg**, in the Western Cape Provinces and a **4.7 MW small-hydro project in Kruisvallei**, in the Free State Province.

In 2016 Building Energy was awarded for a 5 MW wind farm in **Klawer** area, in the Western Cape and for two solar photovoltaic projects in **Skuitsdrift**, in the Northern Cape, which will produce approximately 22 GWh per year once fully operational. In October 2017 the company celebrated the beginning of production at its photovoltaic power plant in Uganda. With the **Tororo** Solar Plant going into operation, Building Energy's total installed capacity in Africa has risen to **91 MWp**.

About BUILDING ENERGY

Building Energy is a multinational company operating as a Global Integrated IPP in the Renewable Energy Industry on four continents. The Company is vertically integrated on the value chain, from the development of projects to the sale of energy. With a pipeline in 20 countries with over 2,600 MW and generative assets being built over the next two years for more than 700MW, the Company is positioned to be one of the major players on the international scene in the renewable energy field. For further information, visit the site www.buildingenergy.it

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