



Global Sustainable Challenge Conference:

FirstEnergy Foundation awards \$2,500 to fund STEM conference

February 13, 2013 - Madison, New Jersey – First Energy Foundation awards \$2,500 to support the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) daylong event entitled ***Global Sustainable Energy Challenge*** conference for regional high school students. The conference will be held at the Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham Park campus. The Global Sustainable Energy Challenge conference is a joint effort by the Institute of Sustainable Enterprise (ISE), an academic center at Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU), and Student Global Ambassadors Project (SGAP), a local educational and community outreach partner.

The conference will attract approximately 20 regional high schools, and bring a total of 250 - 350 attendees including students, teachers and administrators to the Florham Park campus at FDU, for a day of intensive, hands-on learning of key global sustainability issues. The event will begin with an introduction to, and demonstrations on various alternative energy sources—including hydro, wind, solar, and energy from waste—followed by a hands-on, breakout session on a case study analysis.

FirstEnergy Foundation supports organizations that help improve the vitality of their communities, promote local and regional economic development, and that advance an educated workforce by supporting professional development, literacy, and science, technology, engineering and mathematics education initiatives.

The Student Global Ambassador Project (SGAP) focuses on creating the next generation of global leaders. It does so by providing opportunities for middle and high school students to explore global issues through experiential learning. Over the years, SGAP teamed with the Office of Global Learning at Fairleigh Dickinson University, Covanta Energy, First Energy and the Urban League of Morris County, and has touched over one hundred and fifty students locally.

To learn more about SGAP, go to www.sgap.webs.com