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**Soros-Funded Climate Policy Initiative Expands in Europe**

*Climate Policy Initiative - PR Newswire*

VENICE, Italy, April 13, 2010 /PRNewswire/ --  
- New Venice Office to Track Climate Finance

The following was released today by the Climate Policy Initiative:

WHAT: Press Conference on New Climate Economics Partnership in Venice

WHEN: Friday 16 April 2010, 12:45-13:30

WHERE: Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei  
Island of San Giorgio Maggiore  
30124, Venice, Italy

WHO:  
- George Soros, Financier, Philanthropist, and Climate Policy Initiative Funder  
- Paolo Scaroni, President, Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei  
- Giovanni Bazoli, President, Fondazione Giorgio Cini  
- Carlo Carraro, President, University of Venice; Chairman, Scientific Advisory Board, FEEM  
- Thomas C. Heller, Founding Executive Director, Climate Policy Initiative  
- Barbara Buchner, Director, Climate Policy Initiative Venice Office; former Senior Energy and Environment Analyst at the International Energy Agency

The Climate Policy Initiative (CPI), a new international research organization devoted to the evaluation of climate policies and established with funding from George Soros, is opening an office in Venice. Housed within the Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), a leading Italian economics research institute, the office will collaborate closely with FEEM's economists and environmental analysts. It will also work with the finance and business communities to understand how emerging climate policies create and affect markets that allocate investment capital. Main focus areas of the Venice office include tracking multilateral climate finance and analyzing lessons learned from infrastructure finance.

CPI operates centers in San Francisco and Berlin; additional offices are planned for Beijing, New Delhi, and Rio de Janeiro.

Climate Policy Initiative (CPI) (<http://www.climatepolicyinitiative.org>) is a nonprofit institution that examines the effectiveness of energy and climate policies around the globe. Its mission is to help nations achieve low-carbon development by evaluating their efforts to promote the new energy economy.

Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM) (<http://www.feem.it/getpage.aspx?id=62>) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan research institution devoted to the study of sustainable development and global governance. Over the past 20 years, FEEM has grown to become a leading research centre, providing timely and objective analysis on a wide range of environmental, energy, and global economic issues.

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