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Repsol Chairman Antonio Brufau delivers the Keynote Speech to
open the Forum

THE PRINCE OF ASTURIAS OPENS THE WORLD LP GAS FORUM

- His Royal Highness the Prince of Asturias and the Chairman of Repsol highlighted the advantages of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) as an efficient, environmentally friendly energy.
- The opening ceremony was also attended by the Minister of Industry, Miguel Sebastián and the Secretary of State for Climate Change, Teresa Ribera.
- The World LP Gas Forum analyses the challenges and opportunities of this sustainable fuel, whose worldwide consumption will rise by 19% over the next five years.
- Antonio Brufau: "I'm certain that LPG will have a highly important role in the future energy model given its great advantages in terms of sustainability, energy savings, energy efficiency and safety in its supply".
- The Chairman of Repsol and His Royal Highness the Prince of Asturias presented two vehicles powered by AutoGas, an ecological fuel commercialised by Repsol that allows for considerable energy savings.
- Repsol is one of the main LPG retail distributors in the world, and the leader in Spain and Latin America.





His Royal Highness the Prince of Asturias together with Repsol Chairman Antonio Brufau today opened the World LP Gas Forum, attended by the Minister of Industry, Miguel Sebastián and the Secretary of State for Climate Change, Teresa Ribera.

During the keynote speech, held in the Madrid Palace of Congresses, Antonio Brufau highlighted the importance of LPG in the fight against climate change and for improving air quality, affirming that it is a sustainable fuel destined to be a leader in the field of alternative energies. According to the Repsol Chairman, this fuel is playing a fundamental role in the development of some regions, improving the quality of life of millions of families.

"LPG has a bright future, and to make this future a reality, a constant effort must be made in terms of innovation and technology", added Brufau.

During his speech, Antonio Brufau used the example of SolarGas. SolarGas is a complete, state-of-the-art energy supply system that combines solar energy with LPG to provide hot water to homes and businesses in a way that is both sustainable and cheap, with low CO₂ emissions.

Repsol, a leader in LPG

Repsol is one of the main LPG retail distributors in the world and the leader in Spain and Latin America. The areas with most potential for growth are the domestic sector (heating and hot water), agriculture, the industrial sector and the automotive industry.

Repsol is currently undertaking a project in Spain to set up 80 points of sale of liquefied gas for the automotive industry (AutoGas), over the course of 2010. Some of these are already in operation, such as the Villa Olímpica service station in Barcelona, and the Barajas T2 service station in Madrid.

AutoGas is a mixture of propane and butane, the world's most used alternative fuel. It is an ecological, safe fuel which can be installed instantly, allowing for considerable economic savings compared to other conventional fuels.



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World LP Gas Forum

The Madrid Palace of Congresses is hosting the World LP Gas Forum from Tuesday to Friday of this week. This is the liquefied gas industry's most important international event, and combines the world, European and Latin American LPG congresses, as well as the Global Technology Conference.

LPG is presented as the best alternative in the context of cleaner energies. Consumption of this fuel is expected to increase by 19% over the next five years.