

## Pre-Reading and Food-for-Thought Assignment before Session 7 (April, 02)

### ENERGY EFFICIENCY & ENERGY SAVING PROGRAMS

- Familiarize with websites [www.ecolabel.eu](http://www.ecolabel.eu) and [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov).

#### Think about:

1. What are the goals, measures and instruments used in each of these programs?
2. How the efficiency of these programs can be evaluated?
3. Should such programs be obligatory or voluntary in your opinion?

### AND THE PREVIOUS ASSIGNMENT (FOR THE SESSION 6) REMAINS ACTUAL

#### Read the Situation Analysis “Brazil and Biofuels”

- 1) What were advantages and disadvantages of producing biofuels in Brazil?
- 2) What kind of measures do you see to improve existing benefits and to reduce possible risks?

#### Read the abstract of from Perkins J. “Confessions of an Economic Hit Man” (Chapter 33, pp.196-202):

- 1) What were positive and negative social and economic effects of oil dependence for Venezuela at different times?
- 2) How was the energy security understood by Chavez government and by multinational companies?