



Post-Election Assessment of Key Challenges to the UK Energy Sector

2nd July 2015 at KPMG LLP, 15 Canada Square, London, E14 5GL



EVENT SCHEDULE

8.30 Registration & refreshments
9.10 Seating

9.15 *Session One: Strategic overview, horizon issues & risk*

Key challenges facing market participants and the value chain

Simon Virley, Partner and Chair, Energy and Natural Resources - **KPMG**

Emphasis of UK Research Programmes to address our strategic energy challenges

Prof. Jim Watson, Director - **UK Energy Research Centre**

Energy in the wider context of the national (economic) security strategy: gap analysis

Chris Lambert, Director - **Westminster Energy Forum**

10.00 *Session Two: Potential risk factors to effective delivery in the year ahead*

Upstream: security of supply - Production challenges for the UKCS, and decommissioning challenges

Mark McAllister, CEO, **The Decommissioning Company + PA Resources**

Issues of refining in the UK - Challenges ahead

Roy Murray, President, **UK Petroleum Industry Association**

Downstream: Summer/winter demand side challenges in the context of industrial and domestic consumption patterns

Cordi O'Hara, Director, Market Operations, **National Grid**

11.00 Coffee Break

11.30 *Session Three: Cross-cutting challenges across the sectors*

Costs & Operational challenges in the UK energy sector

Bob Ruddiman, Head - Energy & Natural Resources - **Pinsent Masons**

Talent & Skills: Availability and needs across the sectors

Neil Robertson, CEO - **Energy & Utility Skills Group**

12.00 *Session Four: Political & Regulatory Panel*

Regulatory Challenges: a focus on Gas and Electricity markets and the key issues ahead

Dermot Nolan, CEO - **Office of Gas & Electricity Markets (Ofgem)**

Indicative policy priorities for the next Parliament, international contexts, and the market's role

Steph Hurst, Head of Markets and Infrastructure Strategy and Programme Office - **DECC**

13:00 Summary and Close