

**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar**  
**Next steps for driving innovation in the UK energy sector: collaboration, commercialisation and the impact of policy**

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Venue: Central London



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Chi Onwurah MP**, Shadow Minister for Industrial Strategy, Science & Innovation
- 9.05 - 9.30 **Key issues for energy innovation strategy: funding allocation and project commercialisation**  
**Matthew Billson**, Head of Strategy - Energy Innovation Programme,  
Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- Developments in technology, challenges and bringing innovation to market**
- 9.30 - 9.40 Combustion technologies - gas turbine efficiency, ramp-up speeds, and key developments going forward  
**Roger Wells**, Head of Future Technology, Siemens
- 9.40 - 9.50 Small modular reactors and cost efficiency in new nuclear projects  
**Dr David Powell**, Vice President, European Sales, Nuclear Power Plants, GE Hitachi
- 9.50 - 10.00 Combined Heat and Power technology - challenges for industrial integration  
**Robin Hardy**, Projects Director, BasePower
- 10.00 - 10.10 Looking beyond subsidy support - priorities for continued commercialisation of renewable energy technologies  
Senior representative, renewable energy
- 10.10 - 10.20 Energy storage and the energy system - integration, behind the meter opportunities, and next steps for innovation  
**Neil Morris**, Chief Executive Officer, The Faraday Institution
- 10.20 - 10.40 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 - 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Chi Onwurah MP**, Shadow Minister for Industrial Strategy, Science & Innovation
- 10.45 - 11.15 Coffee
- 11.15 - 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.20 - 11.30 **Supporting the drivers of innovation for future energy systems: smart technology, skills, and industry collaboration**  
**Emma Harrison**, Head of Systems Integration, Energy Systems Catapult
- 11.30 - 11.40 **Collaboration in energy research and development - universities, industry, and the role of Research Councils**  
**Dr Kathryn Magnay**, Deputy Director, Faraday Battery Challenge and Head of New Energy Technologies,  
Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council
- 11.40 - 11.50 **Priorities for delivering network infrastructure**  
**Ed Gill**, UK & European Head of Press and Public Affairs, Energy Networks Association
- 11.50 - 12.00 **Implementing innovation across supply chains - business leadership, partnerships and the future of energy markets**  
**Peter Bance**, Chief Executive Officer, Origami Energy
- 12.00 - 12.10 **Finance and the development of energy technology and challenges for developing investor confidence**  
Senior representative, finance
- 12.10 - 12.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **Integrating research, evidence and scientific guidance into policy supporting energy innovation and technology**  
Senior speaker to be announced  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Michael Ryan**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum