

Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar

Nuclear energy: moving closer to new build

Date: 27th October 2010

Venue: Princess Alexandra Hall, Royal Over-Seas League, Park Place, St James's Street, London SW1A 1LR

Agenda subject to change

- 8.45 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Vice-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Nuclear Energy
- 9.05 - 9.30 **The UK nuclear power outlook**
What is the current level of nuclear power generation in the UK? How does this compare with other methods of energy generation? What will be the position of nuclear power in the UK's future energy mix?
Keith Parker, Chief Executive, Nuclear Industry Association
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 - 10.10 **Continuing concerns: safety, sustainability and waste disposal**
Are current regulations governing the safe disposal of nuclear waste adequate? How could the regulatory framework be adapted for new nuclear power stations to ensure best practice in safety and sustainability?
Steve Hornsby, Partner, Nuclear Industry Leader, Global Business Services UK, IBM
Kathy Mylrea, Consultant, CMS Cameron McKenna
Dr Paul Dorfman, Senior Researcher, Warwick Business School, University of Warwick
Professor Colin Boxall, Engineering Department, Lancaster University
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.10 - 10.40 **Nuclear power: bridging the skills gap**
Jean Llewellyn, Chief Executive, National Skills Academy for Nuclear
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 - 10.45 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Ian Liddell-Grainger MP, Vice-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Nuclear Energy
- 10.45 - 11.10 Coffee
- 11.10 - 11.15 **Chairman's opening remarks**
John Robertson MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Nuclear Energy
- 11.15 - 11.45 **Nuclear new build: an industry perspective**
Paul Spence, Director of Strategy and Regulation, EDF Energy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 - 12.25 **The challenges for nuclear new build: investment, engineering and the planning system**
The Government has ruled out the possibility of any public subsidy for nuclear new build: will private sector investment alone be enough? What are the short, medium and long term engineering challenges for delivering nuclear new build? What impact will re-opening the consultation process on the National Policy Statements have on planning and constructing nuclear new build?
Murray Birt, Senior Policy Advisor, Energy, Confederation of British Industry
Dr Glen Little, Director, Nuclear New Build, Doosan Babcock
Patrick Robinson, Partner and Head of Planning Unit, Burges Salmon
Tom Burke, Founding Director, E3G
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 - 12.55 **Nuclear power: the view from the Department of Energy & Climate Change**
Mark Higson, Chief Executive, Office for Nuclear Development, Department of Energy & Climate Change
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
John Robertson MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Nuclear Energy
Michael Ryan, Senior Producer, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum