

Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

Next steps for UK oil and gas

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Bruce of Bennachie, Vice-Chair, British Offshore Oil and Gas Industry All-Party Parliamentary Group
- 9.05 **Key issues for policy, the oil and gas sector and balancing energy security with sustainability targets**
Tom Wheeler, Director of Operations, North Sea Transition Authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Sector priorities for oil and gas**
Senior representative, industry
- 9.45 **The role of oil and gas in the UK energy market and security strategy**
Future shape of the UK energy mix | Assessing the potential contribution of oil and gas and optimisation | Market prospects, costs, finance and investor confidence | Protecting against economic and geopolitical pressures | Securing the supply chain | Priorities for licensing, planning and mapping of exploration and extraction sites | Skills and workforce development
Jess Ralston, Head of Energy, Energy and Climate Intelligence Unit
Senior representative, supply chain
Senior representative, finance
Senior representative, industry
Senior representative, consultancy
- 10.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Alternative approaches for UK oil and gas policy**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Bruce of Bennachie, Vice-Chair, British Offshore Oil and Gas Industry All-Party Parliamentary Group
- 11.10 Break
- 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**
Alun Cairns, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Security
- 11.25 **Key issues and prospects for oil and gas sector decarbonisation**
Professor John Underhill, Director for Energy Transition, Aberdeen University
- 11.35 **Priorities and practicalities for decarbonisation in the UK oil and gas industry**
Mitigating environmental impact | Developing technology and priorities for innovation | Cross-sectoral collaboration | The role of CCUS | Costs for industry and customers | Regulation and monitoring of environmental impact
Bob Ward, Policy and Communications Director, Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment
Ian Phillips, Director, Energy Transition Advisory
Professor Jon Gibbins, Director, UK Carbon Capture & Storage Research Community
Joris Koornneef, Senior Scientist, North Sea Energy
Senior representative, industry
- 12.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for the oil and gas industry**
Graham Stuart MP, Minister of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Alun Cairns, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Security
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Director, Westminster Forum Projects