

Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar
Delivering the Renewable Heat Incentive: controlling costs, supporting new technologies
and moving towards the domestic rollout

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 13th November 2012

Venue: Harvey Goodwin Suite, Church House Conference Centre, Dean's Yard, London SW1P 3NZ



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Barry Gardiner MP, Member, Energy and Climate Change Select Committee
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Renewable heat in the UK - the progress so far**
What is the current level of renewable heat being used in the UK? How is this distributed across the various renewable heat technologies? How significant a role can the Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) play in helping the UK deliver its challenging domestic and European 2020 renewable energy targets?
Dr Peter Connor, Senior Lecturer in Renewable Energy Policy, University of Exeter
- 9.15 - 9.55 **Delivering the Renewable Heat Incentive: consultation updates and next steps for implementation**
Fiona Mettam, Head, Renewable Heat Incentives Team, Department of Energy and Climate Change
Lindsay Goater, Senior Manager, RHI Generation, Ofgem
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 - 10.50 **The non-domestic rollout moving forward: controlling costs and supporting new technologies**
What impact has the RHI had on energy costs in non-domestic properties already participating in the scheme? How have the introduction of interim cost control regulations affected the non-domestic RHI in the short-term? What shape should longer-term cost control measures take so as to ensure that lenders and the renewable heat industry more widely have full confidence in the RHI, and that the chances of its success are optimised? How are Government proposals outlined in the current non-domestic consultation, including those related to supporting new fuels and technologies for the non-domestic RHI, being received by stakeholders? Going forward, what should be the energy efficiency requirements for future non-domestic installations?
Dave Sowden, Chief Executive, Micropower Council
David Matthews, Chief Executive, Ground Source Heat Pump Association (GSHPA)
Edward Thompson, Director, ICAX
Alan Simpson, Sustainable Energy Advisor, Friends of the Earth
Questions and comments from the floor with **Dr Peter Connor**, Senior Lecturer in Renewable Energy Policy, University of Exeter
- 10.50 - 10.55 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Barry Gardiner MP, Member, Energy and Climate Change Select Committee
- 10.55 - 11.25 Coffee
- 11.25 - 11.30 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Lord Redesdale, Member, Associate Parliamentary Renewable and Sustainable Energy Group
- 11.30 - 12.25 **Moving towards the 2013 domestic rollout and long-term prospects**
What is required in order to deliver the Government's domestic rollout of renewable heat technologies, in terms of finance, increasing public awareness and workforce capabilities? Is the subsidy model proposed in the current domestic consultation necessarily the best option for potential RHI consumers? What alternative approaches could be taken? Are proposed regulations on the eligibility of different technologies, and installation requirements, appropriate both in terms of the Government's overall objectives and for the renewable industry itself? What, if any, adjustments could be made to these regulations in order to benefit the affected stakeholders, including consumers, the manufacturing businesses and installers? What safeguarding is required in order for the domestic RHI, and the scheme more widely, to be a long-term success?
Steve Gray, Head of Heat Pump Technologies, British Gas
Ilias Vazaios, Consultant, Ecuity Consulting
Cathy Debenham, Founder and Director, YouGen
Steve Roberts, Multi-Technology Sales Director, Myriad CEG
Kelly Butler, Marketing Director, BEAMA (The British Electrotechnical and Allied Manufacturers Association)
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 - 12.55 **The view from the energy industry - the long-term strategy for delivering renewable heat in the UK**
Freya Phillips, Interim Manager of B2C Product Development and Energy Services, EDF Energy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Lord Redesdale, Member, Associate Parliamentary Renewable and Sustainable Energy Group
Ben Goodwin, Senior Producer, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum