

Scotland Policy Conferences Keynote Seminar

Renewables in Scotland: funding, innovation and next steps for policy

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 22nd November 2017

Venue: Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, Nicolson Street, Edinburgh EH8 9DW



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Kate Forbes MSP, Member, Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Renewable energy in Scotland - challenges and opportunities**
Dr Geoffrey Wood, Teaching Fellow, International Energy Law and Policy, University of Stirling
- 9.15 - 9.25 **'Health check: is policy fit-for-purpose for renewable development in Scotland?'**
George Baxter, Head of Strategic Relations, SSE Renewables
- 9.25 - 9.35 **Supporting innovation in renewables technology**
Dr Stephen Wyatt, Research and Disruptive Innovation Director, Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult
- 9.35 - 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 - 10.55 **Funding, commercialisation and moving towards a subsidy-free sector**
Ross Fairley, Partner and Head of Renewables, Burges Salmon
Matthew Black, Senior Energy Advisor, Fintry Development Trust
Simon Robinson, Founder and Director, Snell Bridge
Scott Bryant, Sector Manager for Energy Infrastructure, Circular Economy, Zero Waste Scotland
John Forster, Chairman, Solar Trade Association Scotland and Forster Group
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Kate Forbes MSP, Member, Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee
- 11.00 - 11.25 Coffee
- 11.25 - 11.30 **Chair's opening remarks**
Claudia Beamish MSP, Deputy Convener, Cross-Party Group on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
- 11.30 - 12.30 **Developing a resilient and flexible electricity network - storage, demand-side response and regulation**
Gerry Boyd, Commercial and Innovation Manager, SP Energy Networks
Bill Ireland, Chief Executive Officer, Logan Energy
Martin Crouch, Senior Partner, Improving Regulation, Ofgem
Graham Stein, Head of Network Operability, National Grid
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **Next steps for renewable energy policy in Scotland and implementing the Energy Strategy**
Neal Rafferty, Head of Electricity Markets and Network Policy, The Scottish Government
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Scotland Policy Conferences closing remarks**
Claudia Beamish MSP, Deputy Convener, Cross-Party Group on Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Scotland Policy Conferences