

Thursday 31st October 2013
Question Time at the Energy Institute
Energy Policy – Time for Plan B?

Held at the Energy Institute, 61 New Cavendish Street, London W1G 7AR – 17:30 for 18:00

This event will not follow the usual format of our evening meetings. Our guest panellists will first speak for 7-8 minutes each on chosen aspects of future Energy Policy. Then the evening will follow the format of the popular BBC programme, Question Time. **If you have a question which you would like the panel to address please provide it in your request to be registered at the meeting.** A number of these questions will be selected so please be prepared to ask yours.

Our panellists are:

Natalie Bennett is the Leader of the Green Party of England and Wales, a post to which she was elected in September 2012. She founded the Green Party Women's Group and is a trustee of the Fawcett Society. Before entering the Green Party Leadership election she won, Natalie was editor of Guardian Weekly from December 2007 – March 2012, and had previously worked as a reporter for national UK newspapers, as well as chief foreign sub-editor of the Bangkok Post.

Sonja Boehmer-Christiansen is Emeritus Reader in the Department of Geography in the University of Hull, where she taught environmental policy, management and politics. She has been editor of the journal Energy & Environment since 1998 and was an Expert Reviewer for the IPCC's Third Assessment Report Working Group 3. Sonja has a B.A. in Geomorphology from Adelaide University, an MA and a D.Phil. in International Relations (Environmental) from the University of Sussex, after 3 years part time working at the International Law Faculty of the Ludwig Maximilian University, Munich. Prior to moving to Hull Sonja was a Senior Research Fellow (Member of the Energy Group) at the Science and Technology Research Unit at the University of Sussex. Sonja has written much on climate science, politics and energy policy over the last 20 years.

Simon Moore is a Research Fellow for the Environment and Energy Unit of the Policy Exchange, an independent think tank committed to an evidence-based approach to policy development. Before joining the Policy Exchange Simon worked for the London-based think tank the Stockholm Network. He has a Master's degree in Public Policy from the University of Maryland and a Bachelor's degree in Politics from Lancaster University. Simon's research interests include energy security and EU-Russia relations.

Benny Peiser is the Director of the Global Warming Policy Foundation (GWPF), an all-party and non-party educational think tank. He is the founder and editor, since 1997, of the Cambridge Conference Network (CCNet), claimed to be the world's leading climate policy network.

Registration:

Members and guests are most welcome at this free of charge event. There will be light refreshments after the meeting so we need to know numbers in advance for catering/security purposes. The doors close at 6pm and therefore latecomers may be unable to gain entry; please ensure you arrive promptly.

To book your place or for further information, please contact the event organiser and meeting chair Peter F Gill pfg.energy@gmail.com