



The Warwick Low Carbon Society Initiative
Invites you to the third annual seminar on Regulation in the Energy Industry

Achieving secure, sustainable energy

Thursday 19th May 2011 from 11.00-16.30

B1.16, Warwick Business School, Scarman Road, The University of Warwick

There are major challenges facing energy systems worldwide – how to achieve security of supply and mitigate climate change and, in these constrained times, the costs of achieving both. Some of the key questions include:

- How much will we need long distance transmission and will we move from passive to active network management and smart grids?
- What are the prospects for “smart cities”?
- What will be the role of the demand side?
- What about the prospects for injecting biogas into gas networks?
- What about the relative balance between gas and electricity – will there be a major switch to electric heating and electric vehicles, for example?
- What changes are needed to energy markets and regulation to meet these challenges?

This seminar will explore what is being done in the UK, Europe, China and Russia to meet these new challenges.

The seminar will be co-chaired by:

David Elmes, Academic Director, The Global Energy MBA, Warwick Business School
Gill Owen, Senior Research Fellow, Warwick Business School

Speakers from the fields of government, business and academia will include the following:

Simon Ashwell, Head of UK Government Relations, GE

Petter Allison, MD Technology & Innovation, British Gas New Markets

Andrei Belyi, Associate Professor at Moscow Higher School of Economics (tbc)

Prof Zhu Dajian, Director of the Institute of Sustainable Development & Governance, Tongji University, Shanghai, China.

Rachel Fletcher, Partner, Distribution, OFGEM

Richard Green, Professor of Energy Economics, University of Birmingham

Chris Harris, Head of Regulation, RWE nPower

Catherine Mitchell, Professor of Energy Policy, the University of Exeter

Please register your interest in attending by sending an email to: Energy.Seminar@wbs.ac.uk