

Scotland's Community Energy Conference 2014

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PROGRAMME

Day One Wednesday 26th November 2014, followed by Day Two Thursday 27th November 2014

Venue - Edinburgh Capital Hotel - EH12 6UG

WiFi Code available from hotel reception for all delegates. Conference hashtag #communityenergy14

Day One – Wednesday Morning

0830	REGISTRATION	
0930	Welcome and Introduction	Nicholas Gubbins, Chief Executive, Community Energy Scotland
0945 - 1000	Opening Address	Fergus Ewing MSP, Minister for Enterprise, Energy and Tourism
1000 - 1015	Q+A	
1015 Plenary: Overcoming Constraints through Community-led Energy Innovation		
1015 - 1035	Addressing fuel poverty and grid constraint: the potential of smart domestic heat storage ...and a new approach to electricity supply	Alan Hobbett, Projects Director, Berwickshire Housing Association
1035-1055	Community-led smart demand side management trials in Orkney	Michelle Koster and Brian Clegg, Community Power Orkney
1055-1115	Developing a battery storage solution to grid constraint on Gigha	Andy Oliver, Project Officer, Gigha Green Power Ltd
1115 - 1130	Panel Discussion	
1130 - 1145	COFFEE	
1145 Plenary: Realising the Socio-economic Potential of Local Energy Economies		
1145-1155	Existing and Potential Local Economic Impacts of Community Energy Projects	Deb Roberts, The Hutton Institute
1155-1205	Practical measures to maximise socio-economic impact: the HIE approach to local energy economies	Melanie Macrae, Senior Development Manager, Highlands and Islands Enterprise

Workshop 1	Local Financing	Chair: Kelly McIntyre, Programme Manager Community Shares Scotland
1210-1220	Local Finance: cooperative models and successes	Dave Hollings, Cooperative and Mutual Solutions
1220-1230	Local Finance: Progress with the Urras Oighreachd Ghabhsainn (Galson Estate Trust) share offer	Carola Bell, Founding Director, Urras Energy Society
1230-1240	Discussion: Key issues and actions.	
Workshop 2	Local Supply	Chair: Felix Wight, Head of Development CES
1210-1220	Towards an Outer Hebrides Energy Supply Company	John Cunningham, Development Manager, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar
1220-1230	Electricity Supply Licensing: 'License Lite' and next steps	Nigel Cornwall, Cornwall Energy
1230-1240	Discussion: Key issues and actions	
Workshop 3	Local Generation and Storage	Chair: Mark Hull, Innovation Manager, CES
1210-1220	Community and Local Generation: Update	Chris Morris, Local Energy Scotland
1220-1230	Hydrogen Fuel and Storage	John Lidderdale, Scottish Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Consortium
1230-1240	Discussion: Key issues and actions	
1245 Plenary: Practical Progress so far – Achievements, Issues and Obstacles		
1245 -1255	Local Energy Challenge Fund – phase 1 projects and next steps	Chris Morris, Local Energy Scotland
1255 - 1315	Panel discussion	
1315 - 1415	LUNCH Exhibitor stands and networking. Eastern Automotive will be displaying a new BMW i8 hybrid car in the hotel car park. http://www.easternbmw.co.uk/	
1415 Plenary: Creating the Conditions for Community Engagement in Local Energy Economies		
1415 -1430	The Scottish Government : Role, ambition and levers for Local Energy Economies	Chris Stark, Deputy Director and Head of Electricity, Energy and Climate Change
1430-1445	Creating Local Energy Economies – Lessons from Germany	Caroline Julian, ResPublica
1445-1500	A View from the Regulator OFGEM	Stephen Bass, Head of Sustainable Development Policy
1500-1515	Scotland's Carbon Targets and Local Energy Economies	Andy Kerr, Director, Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Innovation
1515-1530	Translating carbon targets into local action – the role of Local Authority Leadership	Stephen Carr, Carbon Clever, The Highland Council
1530-1600	TEA	
1600 Plenary: Facilitating Community Engagement in Grid Innovation		
1600-1615	Scottish Power Energy Networks: Accelerating Renewables Connections (ARC)	Euan Norris, Senior Project Manager, Future Networks, Scottish Power Energy Networks
1615-1630	SSE – Key Requirements for Community Engagement in Grid Innovation	Stewart Reid, Future Networks and Policy Manager, SSE

1630-1700	Panel Discussion	
1700-1715	Summing Up: current position and next steps	Felix Wight, Head of Development, CES
1715	Close of day one sessions	Nicholas Gubbins

1730-1800	Community Energy Scotland AGM
1930	Conference Dinner, sponsored by Highlands and Islands Enterprise Welcome from Anne MacDonald, Head of Strengthening Communities Policy, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and featuring the Scottish National Renewable Energy League 2013-2014, hosted by Simon McKinney as part of the RES Champions League, a project supported by Intelligent Energy Europe Programme of the European Union.

Overnight at the Edinburgh Capital Hotel

Leisure facilities at the Edinburgh Capital Hotel are available to all conference delegates

Day Two – Thursday Morning

0930-0940	Introduction: Community Energy – An International Development Theme?	Nicholas Gubbins, Chief Executive, Community Energy Scotland
Plenary: The Relevance of Community Energy Development in Developing Countries		
0940 - 1000	Community Energy Development in Malawi	Georgy Davis, International Manager, CES
1000 - 1020	Renewable Energy and Poverty Reduction	Simon Trace, CEO, Practical Action
1020- 1040	Energy in International Development – A DFID Perspective	Steven Hunt, Energy Advisor, DFID
1040-1100	Panel Discussion	
1100 - 1130 COFFEE		
1130 Plenary: Building on the European Experience		
1130-1150	The European Context: Policy and Opportunities	Josh Roberts, Client Earth / Community Power
1150-1210	Collective Ownership of Energy Storage and Scope for Replication	Dr Simon Mueller, Technische Universität München (TUM)
1210-1230	Recent Developments in Northern Ireland: What's Valuable in terms of Network Support?	Lauri McCusker, CEO, The Fermanagh Trust
1230-1240	Update from Community Energy Wales	Chris Blake, Ynni Cymunedol Cymru
1240-1300	Panel Discussion	
1300 – 1400 LUNCH		
1400 Plenary: What Scotland has to offer		

1400-1420	Community Energy and The Scottish Government's Wider Approach to International Development	Joanna Keating, Head of International Development, Scottish Government
1420-1440	Community Energy in International Development – A Parliamentary Perspective	Alison Johnstone MSP (subject to Parliamentary business)
1440-1500	Panel Discussion – Towards Community Energy International?	Nicholas Gubbins, CEO, Community Energy Scotland
1500	Close of Conference	

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