

Tuesday 18 May 2021



Session one: Next frontiers of energy system decarbonisation

What is the role of flexibility in reaching net zero? How important is it in reaching our goals more cost-effectively and what can we gain from putting it at the centre of our net zero journey?

10.00	Opening remarks
	Tom Delay, Chief Executive, the Carbon Trust
10.10	Keynote: What does net zero mean for energy flexibility?
	Dan Hamza Goodacre, Climate and Energy Advisor
10.30	Keynote
	Richard Smith, Co-Director - Energy Systems Management & Security, Ofgem
10.50	Keynote: Next frontiers of energy system decarbonisation

Session one continued

Official launch of Flexibility in Great Britain

11.10	Summary of key findings from the Flexibility in Great Britain project
	Andrew Lever, Director, the Carbon Trust
11.35	Role and value of flexibility in supporting cost effective energy system decarbonisation
	Professor Goran Strbac, Imperial College London
12.00	In conversation with the Carbon Trust and Imperial College London
	Hosted by Janet Wood, Editor, New Power
12.30	End of day one



Session two: 2050 net zero challenge

The energy system has to undergo major development if we are to reach our 2050 goal. How does flexibility help in scoping and delivering the necessary change? How can it support hard choices between solutions? And what are our 'no regrets' options?

10.00	Welcome
	Janet Wood, Editor, New Power
10.10	Keynote
	Chris Stark, Chief Executive, Climate Change Committee
10.30	Presentation: 2050 net zero challenge
	Hannah Evans, Manager, the Carbon Trust
11.00	Panel discussion: What are the major energy system developments that will be required to achieve net zero by 2050?
	 Steve Hargreaves, Strategy Director, EDF Energy Alex Coulton, Head of Policy & Insights, Low Carbon Contracts Company Becky Hart, Strategy Manager, National Grid ESO Nathan Wyatt, Senior Policy Advisor, National Infrastructure Commission
	Moderated by Hannah Evans, Manager, the Carbon Trust
12.00	End of session two

Session three: Role of smart technology

What is the value of flexibility solutions enabled through smart technology to a net zero energy system? What are the key barriers and opportunities to unlocking these benefits? What can we do now to prepare for new technologies, new business models and new opportunities? How can different demand customers, from domestic users to major industry, be empowered to take a full part?

14.00	Welcome
	Janet Wood, Editor, New Power
14.10	Keynote: The value of flexibility enabled through smart technology
	Dr Danny Pudjianto, Advanced Research Fellow, Imperial College London
14.30	Presentation: Unlocking the value from flexibility - challenges and opportunities
	Oliver Richards, Senior Associate, the Carbon Trust
15.00	Panel discussion: What is the role of smart technology in unlocking the benefits of flexibility?
	 Chris Curry, Head of Flexibility, Bryt Energy Jay Zoellner, Chief Executive, Kiwi Power Dhara Vyas, Head of Future Energy Services, Citizens Advice Dr Danny Pudjianto, Advanced Research Fellow, Imperial College London
	Moderated by Oliver Richards, Senior Associate, the Carbon Trust
16.00	End of day two







Session four: Infrastructure development and co-ordination

Flexibility has an important role to play in major energy system infrastructure decisions across electricity, gas and hydrogen. How can infrastructure developers and operators best leverage and support this through effective coordination to unlock whole system benefits?

10.00	Welcome
	Janet Wood, Editor, New Power
10.10	Presentation: The role of networks in supporting the transition
	Manu Ravishankar, Associate Director, the Carbon Trust
10.30	Panel discussion: What is the role of energy networks in supporting a smart and flexible energy transition?
	 Roger Hey, DSO Systems & Projects Manager, Western Power Distribution Keith Owen, Chair of Hydrogen Committee, IGEM and Head of Systems Development, Northern Gas Networks
	 Melanie Bryce, Programme Director, Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN)
	Stathis Mokkas, Energy Markets Lead, UK Power Networks
	Moderated by Manu Ravishankar, Associate Director, the Carbon Trust
12.00	End of session four

Session five: Whole system approach

What is to be gained from a whole-system deployment of flexibility? How can interlinked networks help support a much bigger electricity grid with the electricity system carrying far more power and with linked systems – transport/mobility, heat, industry – working in concert?

14.00	Welcome Janet Wood, Editor, New Power
14.10	Keynote: Knitting (whole systems optimisation) Matt Hastings, Head of Innovation – Energy Systems, InnovateUK
14.30	Presentation: Whole system approach Manu Ravishankar, Associate Director, the Carbon Trust
14.50	 Series of short case study presentations by: EDF Energy Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) Greater London Authority (GLA) Institute of Gas Engineers and Managers The Carbon Trust
16.05	Closing remarks from the Carbon Trust
16.30	End of event