

ENERGY IRELAND MARKETS AND SECURITY



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The Gibson Hotel, Dublin

An Energy Ireland event







Speakers include:

Reforming electricity markets

Electricity market design has come into sharp focus since the Russian invasion of Ukraine that disrupted gas supply to Europe causing both gas and electricity prices to rise sharply. In addition, the increase in renewable electricity sources has led to the need to rethink how the existing electricity market mechanism works.

In March of this year, the European Commission published a proposal to reform the EU electricity market to address these issues and make the EU electricity market design fit for 2050.

The 2023 Energy Markets and Security Conference will examine the next phase of electricity market evolution on the island of Ireland. This conference will consider the drivers behind the coming reforms and the implications for the Single Electricity Market and will also look at related issues such as security of supply.

The conference will address the following issues:

- Drivers for electricity market reform;
- Integrating 80 per cent renewable electricity;
- Decoupling the price of gas from the electricity price;
- The future role of Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs);
- Price outlook for gas and electricity markets;
- Electricity security of supply;
- The future role of interconnection and multi-purpose interconnectors; and
- Designing an electricity market fit for 2050.





Savannah Altvater is the Data Management and Flexibility lead and Retail Advisor in the Markets & Customers team at Eurelectric. Her work focuses on distributed flexibility, retail markets, and consumer engagement and protection. She holds a Master of European Public Policy from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced

International Studies.



Todd Bessemer is the Managing Director of **Market Reform**, a management and economic consultancy specialising in energy, water and environmental markets, which he founded in 2004. He is a global expert on energy market restructuring and reform and has spent over 25 years as an advisor to energy spot and futures markets, system

operators, regulators and governments, service providers, participants and investors. Todd has particular experience planning and leading strategic major market establishment and transformation initiatives.



Simon Ludlam is an experienced energy professional, currently CEO at MaresConnect, a 750MW interconnector project linking GB and Ireland. He has originated and led several interconnector projects in northwest Europe, including the €500m Greenlink interconnector and the €600m ElecLink project. Simon is the founder of Etchea Energy, a

developer of energy projects supporting the green transition. He previously worked in investment banking and private equity.



John Melvin took on the role of Director of Security of Supply and Wholesale at the **Commission for Regulation of Utilities** in January 2022 having previously worked as the Director of Energy Markets and Smart Metering since 2018 and previously as Director of Energy Networks and Legal. Prior to joining the CRU in 2008, John worked in

the commercial energy sector in engineering consultancy and operation of power generation facilities.



Richard Murphy is a Partner and Head of Energy (Ireland) at Pinsent Masons LLP. His energy expertise and experience includes advising clients on a range of regulatory, advisory and transactional matters. Richard is rated as a leading individual for energy work in both Chambers UK and the Legal 500. Richard sits on the Northern Ireland

Renewables Industry Group Committee (NIRIG) and is a regular speaker at energy industry events and conferences.



Peter O'Shea was appointed Head of **ESB** Corporate and Regulatory Affairs in 2018. Prior to this, Peter was Head of Regulatory Affairs and Corporate Strategy. He is vice Chairman of the Electricity Association of Ireland and a board member of the British Irish Chamber of Commerce. Before joining ESB in 1999, he spent 12

years working with the CEGB and National Grid Company in the UK in a range of technical roles, including NGC's Programme Manager for the development of the NETA trading arrangements.



Lucy Plant is the Manager for Strategic Partnerships at Enel X UK & Ireland and a seasoned professional with over 19 years' experience in the energy industry. At Enel X, Lucy drives growth through strategic technology collaborations that enable industrial and commercial businesses to actively and dynamically participate in the

transformation of the energy sector. Prior to Enel X, Lucy held various leadership roles including Sales Director at a leading petroleum laboratory in USA. A career pivot to the utilities and renewables sector brought her to Ireland in 2022. She is a dedicated professional who is always looking for new and innovative ways to make a difference and create a more sustainable future for us all.



Thomas Verstraeten is Senior Counsel at KPMG Law and has been a member of the Brussels Bar since 2002, he has more than 20 years experience as a lawyer in EU and Belgian energy law and competition law. In the energy field, Thomas has assisted with energy project development i.e. solar, wind (onshore and offshore), biomass and gas

fired plants. He has advised on electricity and gas market rules and regulation at Belgian, regional and EU level. Thomas has a wealth of experience in dealing with, and litigating against, energy regulators (CREG, CWAPE, VREG, BRUGEL), before the specialized Markets Court, the Constitutional Court and the Court of Justice of the European Union.



Neil Walker is **Ibec's** Head of Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Policy. Prior to joining Ibec in 2010, he held a variety of senior management positions in industry in the UK and Ireland, as well as the Sustainable Energy Authority and the Commission for Regulation of Utilities. Neil holds a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering from

Cambridge University, an MBA Degree from London Business School and a PhD in Environmental Economics from University College Dublin.

Conference programme

0830 Registration and morning coffee

0900 Chair's welcome and introduction Colm O'Neill, Partner, KPMG

Electricity market policy overview and developments

Matt Collins
Assistant Secretary

Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications [invited]

Europe's energy crisis and the reform of electricity markets

Thomas Verstraeten Senior Counsel KPMG

Regulatory outlook for Irish energy markets

John Melvin

Director of Security of Supply and Wholesale Commission for Regulation of Utilities

European electricity market reform: an industry perspective

Savannah Altvater Data Management & Flexibility Lead Eurelectric

Key aspects of reforming electricity markets: a global perspective

Todd Bessemer Managing Director & Principal Market Reform

Questions & answers / Panel discussion

1100 Morning coffee / networking break

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The future role of Power Purchase Agreements and Contracts for Differences

Richard Murphy Partner Pinsent Masons

The role of interconnectors in the electricity market

Simon Ludlam
Chief Executive Officer
MaresConnect Interconnector

Electricty market reform for a net zero future

Peter O'Shea

Head of Corporate and Reguatory Affairs

ESB

Flexibility and demand management in electricity markets

Lucy Plant Manager Strategic Partnerships Enel X

Electricity market reform: the large energy users' perspective

Neil Walker

Head of Infrastructure, Energy and Environment and Transport Ibec

Questions & answers / Panel discussion

1300 Networking lunch and Conference close









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Who should attend?

The Energy Markets and Security Conference will be of interest to senior managers and decision makers involved in energy supply and the wider energy community.

Delegates will include:

- Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications;
- Regulatory authorities, CRU / Utility Regulator;
- Major energy utilities: ESB, SSE, Bord Gáis Energy;
- Large energy users, pharma, food, technology,
- Renewable energy developers;
- Ibec and industry associations;
- Banks and financiers;
- Legal and financial advisors;
- Technical and other consultants.

Benefits of attending

Delegates attending the conference will:

- ✓ Increase your knowledge on Ireland's energy supply and security of the electricity grid
- ✓ Gain expert insights from local and visiting speakers
- ✓ Learn about innovative projects being implemented
- ✓ Network with other professionals across the energy sector
- ✓ Promote your business to a targeted audience

Venue details

The conference takes place in the Gibson Hotel, Dublin, Further details on location, including directions and public transport options are available at www.energyireland.ie

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