EPRG Spring Seminar 10-11 May 2018
in partnership with FTI Consulting and Compass Lexecon
"Preparing for the Energy Transition"

Thursday 10 May   *Dining Hall, Westminster College (*Madingley Road, Cambridge, CB3 0AA, UK)

18:30 – 22:00   Reception, keynote speech & dinner
    Speaker: Prof. Diane Coyle (University of Cambridge) *The Economics of Enough*

Friday 11 May   *Howard Theatre, Downing College (*Regent Street, Cambridge CB2 1DQ, UK)

08:30   **Registration and coffee**

09:00   **Welcome and introduction - David Newbery**

09:10 – 10:20   **SESSION 1 – THE ROLE OF GAS IN ENERGY TRANSITIONS**
    Chair: Jason Mann (FTI-Compass Lexecon Energy)
    Jonathan Stern *(OIES)* Challenges to the Future of Gas
    Alaric Marsden (*FTI-Compass Lexecon Energy*) Gas as a key enabler of flexible electricity generation

10:20 – 10:50   **Coffee Break**

10:50 – 12:00   **SESSION 2 – ROUNDTABLE: BRINGING SENSE TO THE BREXIT DEBATE: WHAT SHOULD INDUSTRY BE LOOKING FOR?**
    Chair: David Reiner (EPRG)
    Jason Mann (*FTI-Compass Lexecon Energy*)
    Michael Pollitt (EPRG)
    Janez Kopac (*Energy Community Secretariat***)**
    Jenny Pyper (*Northern Ireland Authority For Utility Regulation*)

12:00 - 13:00   **Lunch**

13:00 – 14:10   **SESSION 3 – SMART POLICIES FOR ENERGY TRANSITION**
    Chair: Michael Pollitt (EPRG)
    Cathy McClay *(National Grid)* GB Ancillary Services Market: Taking Stock & Looking Forward
    Peter Cramton (*University of Maryland*) The Role of Auctions in Accommodating Renewables
    Robert Ritz (*EPRG)* When is a carbon price floor desirable?

14:10 – 14:40   **Afternoon Tea**

14:40 – 15:50   **SESSION 4 – REGULATION AND INNOVATION FOR SMARTER AND CLEANER ENERGY MARKETS & NETWORKS**
    Chair: Alaric Marsden (FTI-Compass Lexecon Energy)
    Laura Diaz Anadon (*University of Cambridge)* Government funding and support for energy RD&D: what do we know about outcomes?
    Steve McMahon (*Ofgem*) Ofgem experience with the network innovation competitions
    Ljubo Mitrasevic (*FTI-Compass Lexecon Energy*) The RIIO2 price control: the opportunities and challenges ahead

15:55-16:00   **Concluding word – David Newbery**