



*Joint University of Cambridge, EPRG and PwC Winter Seminar*  
12-13 DECEMBER 2024, Cambridge

**The Future of the Global Energy System**

**Thursday, 12 December 2024**

*Main Hall, Gonville and Caius College (Trinity Street, Cambridge CB2 1TA)*

- 6:00pm – 7:00pm            **Reception & Keynote**
  - US politics and its impact on the future of the Energy System, Michael Mehling, Deputy Director, Center for Energy and Environmental Policy Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

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- 7:00pm – 9:00pm            **Dinner**

**Friday, 13 December 2024**

*Cripps Court, Madgalene College (Chesterton Road, Cambridge)*

- 8:30am                        **Registration & Coffee**

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- 9:00am – 9:10am            **Welcome**
  - Michael Pollitt, Professor of Business Economics at the Judge Business School, University of Cambridge
  - Paul Nillesen, Global Power & Utilities Advisory Leader, PwC

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- 9:10am – 10:20am            **Session 1 - Global Carbon Pricing**  
**Moderator: Lucia Reisch, EI Erian Professor of Behavioural Economics and Public Policy, University of Cambridge**
  - Michael Pollitt, Professor of Business Economics at the Judge Business School, University of Cambridge
  - Darrel Poletylo, Partner UK, PwC
  - Corne Boot, Head of Country the Netherlands, BP

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- 10:20am – 10:50am            **Coffee break**

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- 10:50pm – 12:00pm            **Session 2 Panel - The Role of the Middle East in Decarbonisation**  
**Moderator: Niloufar Molavi, PwC Global Oil & Gas Leader**
  - Kamiar Mohaddes, Associate Professor in Economics and Policy at Cambridge Judge Business School, University of Cambridge
  - Shihab Elborai, Partner, Middle East, PwC
  - Fahad Alajlan, President, King Abdullah Petroleum Studies and Research Center (KAPSARC)
  - Bruce Smith, Executive Director, Strategy and Planning Directorate, EWEC

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- 12:00pm – 1:00pm            **Lunch**

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- 1:00am – 2:10pm            **Session 3 - Electricity networks for net zero**  
**Moderator: Paul Nillesen, Global Power & Utilities Advisory Leader, PwC**
  - Paul Simshauser, Professor of Economics, Griffith University and CEO, Powerlink
  - Frank-Peter Hansen, Director of Asset Management, TenneT

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- 2:10pm – 2:40pm            **Afternoon tea**

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- 2:40pm – 3:50pm            **Session 4 Panel-European Electricity markets:What they teach and what they need to learn**  
**Moderator: Dermot Nolan, Director, Fingleton and University of Cambridge**
  - David Newbery, Director of the Cambridge Energy Policy Research Group, University of Cambridge
  - Paul Dawson, Head of Regulatory Affairs at RWE Supply & Trading
  - Christine Brandstatt, Assistant Professor, Copenhagen Business School

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- 3:50pm – 4:00pm            **Concluding word**
  - David Newbery, Director of the Cambridge Energy Policy Research Group, University of Cambridge