

Energy Innovation Board

Summary note

6th October 2016

Attendees

Board members & alternates: Government Chief Scientific Adviser (Chair); BEIS Chief Scientific Adviser; Director of Science and Innovation, BEIS; Director Infrastructure Systems, Innovate UK; Deputy CEO, EPSRC; Deputy CSA, DfID; Head of Low Carbon Fuels Division, DfT; Associate Partner Costs & Outputs and Technical, Ofgem.

Observers: Head of Global Science Innovation and Knowledge Economy, BEIS; Prosperity Fund, FCO; Director International Climate and Energy, BEIS; Head of Energy Innovation Policy, BEIS; Head of Energy, Innovate UK; HMT; Energy Innovation Board Secretariat.

Agenda

Terms of Reference (ToRs)

The ToRs were agreed subject to additional references to industry and investors and extending the Board's membership to DCLG and Defra given the relevance of their policy areas.

Single Integrated Plan

The Board took a paper on how the innovation landscape could be brought together in a single integrated plan to support greater coordination. The Board agreed that the plan should be revised and developed into an overarching strategy. An outline document needed to be worked up quickly so that this could plug into the Government's policy timetable, principally on the Industrial Strategy.

Deep dive into international energy innovation

The Board reviewed a paper mapping HMG's international energy innovation landscape. The Board's views were sought to help to shape the international innovation strategy, and how that could be used to strengthen coordination. The Board concluded that a strategic framework was needed and a cross-Whitehall working group would be brought together to develop the framework. This should sit above three main objectives: UK exploits its international funding streams to meet UK domestic goals through support for others; it supports industrial strategy objectives; it supports developing countries.

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None.