

Financing EU energy assets in an era of volatility & transition

📍 Thursday 2nd July, 102 Middlesex Street, E1 7EZ (Room MSX409, 4th floor), Coventry University London Campus

8:30 – 9:00: Registration and Networking

9:00 – 9:15: Opening Remarks

Welcome and opening remarks from SPE.

9:15 – 10:30: Session 1: Chief Economist Panel

Moderator: Chris Tomsovic | Macro Foresight – Global Lead, Accenture

Panelist 1: Dr. Long Wang | Chief Economist, Harbor Energy

Panelist 2: Stephan Staber | Head of Department Economics, OMV

10:30 – 10:45: Break

10:45 – 12:00: Session 2: Markets & Asset Evaluation

Moderator: Rahim Masoudi | Chief Technical Lead, EnQuest

Panelist 1: Olive Fitzpatrick | VP Subsurface Portfolio Management, bp

Panelist 2: Jean-Romain Cavaillez | Director, O&G Investment Banking, Cantor

Panelist 3: Gavin Ward | Director & Expert Witness, RISC Advisory

12:00 – 13:00: Lunch

Featured Speaker: C. Susan Howes | 2027 SPE President

13:00 – 13:30: Session 3: Investment & Capital Flows Topics

Moderator: Rajkamal Srivastava | Director, Simplify Energy Economics

Panelist 1: Daniel Slater | Director Equity Research – Energy Sector, Zeus

Panelist 2: Bertram Silvera | VP, Energy Investment Banking, Jefferies

Panelist 3: Shifali Aggarwal | Head of Energy Advisory, Forvis Mazars

13:30 – 14:45: Session 4: Roundtable discussions

- 1) Portfolio Optimisation: divest, harvest, reinvest, **Marianne Espinassous** | bp
- 2) Powering AI through data centres: the gas challenge, **Hitesh Mohan** | CyberWorX
- 3) Methane, ESG and the Cost of Capital, **Babatunde Anifowose** | Coventry University

14:45 – 15:00: Break

15:00 – 17:30: EnergyThon: “Molecule to Megabyte”

A strategic business case competition by Student Chapters for funding a gas-to-data center opportunity

17:30 – 17:45: Concluding Remarks

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Welcome to the Energy Economics & Evaluation Symposium. Explore the forces shaping the EU energy landscape from economic trends and capital flows to asset evaluation, AI and ES-driven decision making.

Special Session

2026 Student Energython – EU Regional

The future of energy is being designed today, and the results are nothing short of electrifying. Organisers are proud to announce the finalists for the Energython: "Molecule to Megabyte" Challenge, a high-stakes competition where student teams design techno-economic models to power the next generation of data centers critical for AI.

Meet the Finalists

- *To be confirmed*

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