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Shape the Future of Energy: Exclusive Invitation

Dear Esteemed Colleague,

On behalf of the World Energy Council Secretary General & CEO, Dr Angela Wilkinson, and in my capacity as co-Chair of World Energy Scenarios, I am delighted to invite you to our exclusive **World Energy Council Executive Briefings for Senior Policymakers and Senior Government Officials**.

Building on the momentum of the [26th World Energy Congress](#) in April 2024, where over 4,000 visionary energy leaders from 118 countries gathered to tackle the urgent task of redesigning energy for people and planet, these briefings will further explore approaches for navigating the uncertainties of energy transitions and designing for disruption to shape resilient strategies.

At the Congress, we faced a key reality: **What got us here won't get us to where we need to go**. With new global and local dynamics—where geopolitics intersects with data, technology, and supply chains—demands for global justice, resilience, and modern energy access are increasing. Yet, there is cause for optimism. Regions worldwide are poised to lead and learn from one another, managing multiple energy transitions together. The future will rely on connecting diverse energy challenges and adopting more radical, collaborative approaches.

Leadership in this space requires action, active listening, and collective sense-making.

How we view energy transitions really matters. Instead of seeing it as a slow, costly, and supply-led "hard slog," it can be viewed as a series of fast-moving, opportunity-rich, demand-led tipping points—though with uncertain timing. Early movers often pave the way, while hesitation can lead to regret, delaying rather than accelerating transitions.

I am pleased to personally invite you to **“Collaborating Amidst Disruptions”**, a World Energy Council Executive Briefing for Senior Policymakers and Senior Government Officials, where I will explore how different approaches and choices for cooperation and collaboration can impact the pace and scale of emergent innovation and unlock energy transitions. Drawing on the latest [World Energy Scenario Foundations](#), we will delve into how these choices shape the future of energy systems.

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- **Session 1:** Tuesday 5 November 2024 at 9am UK | Register – [HERE](#)
- **Session 2:** Thursday 7 November 2024 3pm UK | Register – [HERE](#)

I look forward to your participation in what promises to be a highly informative and thought-provoking session. Don't miss this opportunity to engage in peer-to-peer discussions and gain actionable insights from leading voices in energy transitions.

Spots are limited. To secure your place, please register at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions, feel free to contact insights@worldenergy.org.

I look forward to welcoming you.

Warm regards,



Jeremy Bentham
Co-Chair World Energy Scenarios
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About the World Energy Council

The World Energy Council is the world's oldest independent and impartial community of energy leaders and practitioners. Through our Humanising Energy vision, we involve more people and communities in accelerating clean and inclusive energy transitions in all world regions. Formed in 1923, the Council is an UN-accredited global energy body that has convened diverse interests from across the full energy ecosystem for a century. Our global network draws from governments, private and state corporations, academia and civil society, as well as current and future energy leaders. We maintain a flexible Transition Leadership Toolkit to collaborate on impact programmes and inform local, regional and global energy agendas in support of our enduring mission: to promote the sustainable use and supply of energy for the benefit of all people.

About Jeremy Bentham



Jeremy Bentham has been in the energy business for more than 40 years. After graduating with a physics degree from the University of Oxford and subsequent postgraduate experience at Caltech, he joined Shell in 1980. He has also been a Sloan Fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

Jeremy has held several senior executive positions, including membership of the leadership team of Shell's commercial technology company and chief executive of Shell Hydrogen. Since January 2006 he served on the Shell strategy leadership team, advising the CEO and Board. In particular, he was responsible for the Global Business Environment team, which is best known for developing forward-looking scenarios to support strategic thinking and direction-setting. Jeremy is currently a non-executive company director, a Senior Fellow for the Mission Possible Partnership and advises bodies including the World Economic Forum, The World Business Council for Sustainable Development and the Singapore government.