

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME



The Stockholm Network Energy & Environment Programme

promotes a practical market-oriented approach to meeting our future energy challenges while addressing environmental and climate change concerns. The Stockholm Network's work recognises the importance of environmental policies in safeguarding future prosperity and endeavours to produce solutions that recognise economic realities while solving environmental policy dilemmas. The focus of the Programme focus on the following areas

- ❖ Finding free market solutions: Market-oriented solutions in the energy and environment sector are, of necessity, European solutions. Integrating domestic markets into a common pan-European market will help all of Europe secure its energy supply, and ensure that Europe can meet its environmental goals. By using the market to identify how best to meet environmental goals Europe is able to enhance its competitiveness in a global marketplace.
- ❖ Investigating how to deal with participants outside the market structure: How do we run a free market within Europe while

ensuring that this is not exploited by those who operate outside market rules?

- ❖ Find an approach for the centre-right to have a meaningful voice on climate change: It is crucial that those with a market-oriented approach bring credible solutions to the debate rather than saying the problem is non-existent. Otherwise, the arguments lose all credibility, and centre-right is completely ignored. This would be a particular tragedy because market-based regulatory systems offer the best prospects for avoiding catastrophic climate change.

Events:

- ❖ The Stockholm Network Energy & Environment Programme has hosted a number of high-profile speakers and events. Andrei Illarionov, former economic advisor to Russian President Vladimir Putin gave the keynote speech at a half-day conference on energy security (May 23 2006).
- ❖ At the 2006 Conservative Party conference we held a fringe event, entitled 'Russian Energy: A Crisis or Opportunity for Europe' (3 October 2006), featuring Dame Pauline Neville-Jones, former chair of the Joint Intelligence Committee and then Head of the Conservative Party National and International Security Policy Group.
- ❖ As part of the Stockholm Network's Westminster Fringe series, held with *The Economist*, we have debated the future of UK nuclear power (18 September 2006) and Russian energy (25 April 2006).
- ❖ In Brussels, the Amigo Society has held events on the energy market liberalisation (31 October 2006)

and the EU emissions trading scheme (29 March 2007)

Publications:

Power Failure – The Politics of Energy in Western Europe by Peter Nolan & Sacha Kumaria (ed.) (published 2006) – An examination of the progress of liberalisation in the six major Western European energy markets – France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Spain and the UK.

Putting the Environment in Perspective by Helen Disney, Dan Lewis (published 2005)

2007 has seen the launch of a new bi-monthly Energy Policy e-newsletter, called *Climate of Opinion*, which provides views on recent events in energy policy and covers a different topic in energy policy in-depth each month.

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