

Aurora Spring Forum 2019 Highlights

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Dear Friends and Colleagues

It was my very great pleasure to welcome you to Oxford this year for our fifth Spring Forum. With almost 400 people in attendance, I am delighted that our Forum is regarded so widely as the place where Europe's major energy topics are discussed and debated. Your contributions to this year's Forum topic – The Future of Energy – were enormously appreciated.

This year we added a non-European dimension to the discussions, and were delighted to welcome senior decision makers from the United States and Australia as speakers. I'm grateful to Cath Tanna, Steve Berberich, Audrey Zibelman, John Cole and Kerry Schott for taking the time out of their busy schedules to join us.

lain Conn and João Manso Neto opened the event, providing global context on the energy transition underway. Iain powerfully conveyed the size of the challenge, before calling for a "moonshot" from humanity in response, which, I think, lifted the level of ambition in all our discussions throughout the day a little.

Richard Howard's Aurora keynote focussed on the knowns and knowns unknowns of the future evolution of the energy system, before quantifying the 400 billion Euro investment in renewables required to deliver Europe's low energy transition to 2040. Aurora's Benjamin Merle shared our latest analysis on the management of merchant risk for renewables developers, which suggests that 60GW of wind could be financed through corporate PPAs in Europe.

Full copies of Richard's and Benjamin's presentations are included in our Forum highlights.

The programme this year focussed on some of the most challenging problems in deep decarbonisation, including Hydrogen, CCS, energy efficiency and the operation of very-low-carbon electricity systems.

In addition to leading one of the panels, I was also privileged to listen to many of the engaging and interesting debates. Consistent with past editions of the event, the level of debate was second to none!

I would like to thank again the many people who contributed to the success of Aurora's Spring Forum this year. Our speakers are central to the day we are hugely grateful for their friendship and support. Thank you for your generosity of time, spirit and expertise! Our generous sponsors are due special appreciation, having supported us in our greater ambition for the Forum this year.

Thanks to Barclays, Greencoat Capital and MUFG whose support builds on years of fruitful collaboration on events and beyond. Finally, thank you to my own team at Aurora Energy Research for their diligence, commitment and adaptability in staging the 2019 Forum.

We look forward to welcoming you again next year, when we will have new challenging topics to discuss as part of the ongoing global transition.



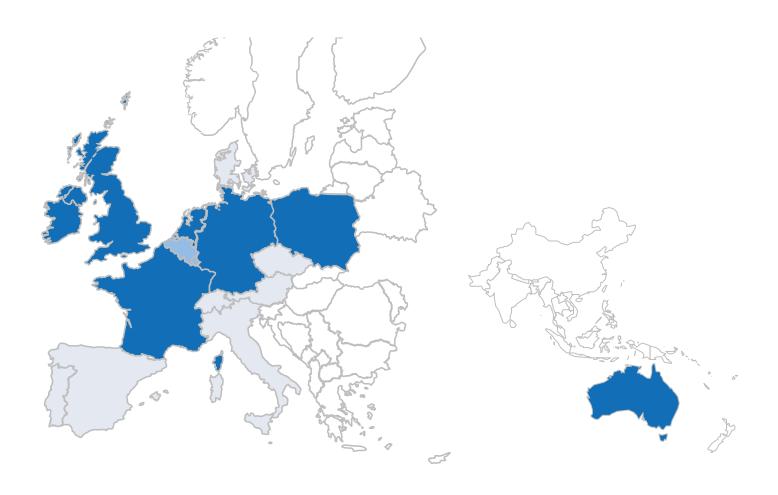
John Feddersen Co-Founder and CEO Aurora Energy Research



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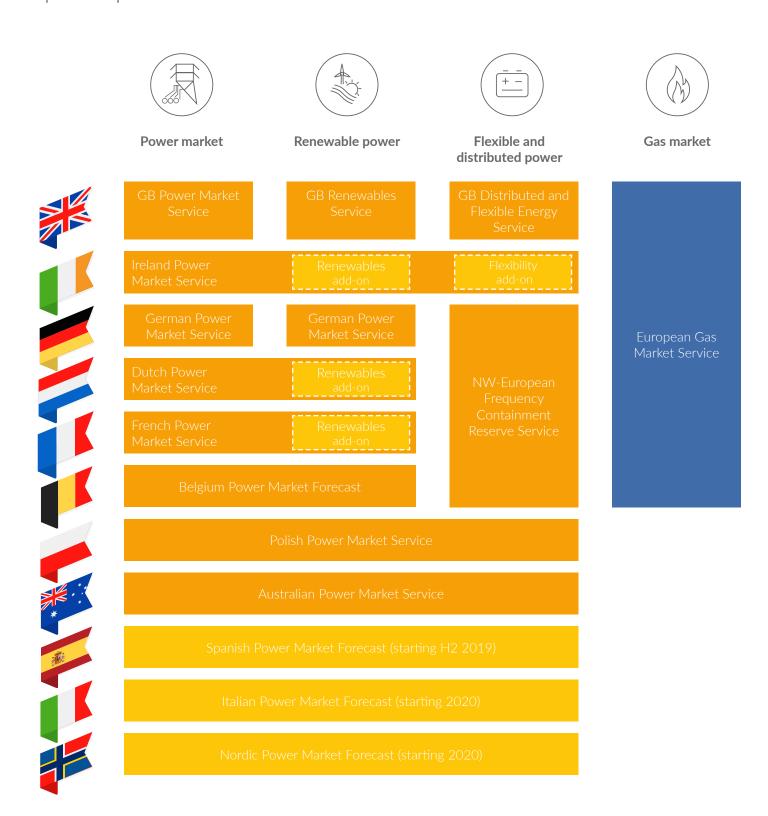
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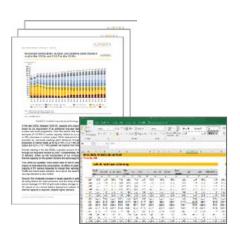


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- Forecasts are provided under three various scenarios (central, low, high)
 plus sensitivities of key power price drivers and selected scenarios on key
 policy uncertainties
- Additionally, provision of all underlying data in Excel
- Specific analysis for renewable and flexibility projects

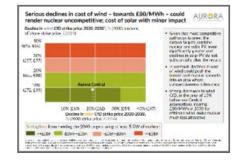


Strategic Insight Reports and Roundtable Meetings

 Regular in-depth analysis to provide unrivalled insight on critical topics for the power industry

Planned Strategic Insight topics for 2019 comprise:

- Subsidy-free renewables as an asset class risk profiles, betas, required returns
- Economics of pairing wind and solar assets with battery storage
- Carbon pricing and implications for European power markets
- Targeted charging review and resulting impacts on business models
- Global 2-degrees scenario
- Optimised generation portfolios resilient against market development paths and temporary shocks
- Renewable and flexible heat: power market impact and new investments opportunities
- We present and discuss these topics in our regular subscriber group meetings and publish our insights in Strategic Insight Reports



Extensive interaction with the Aurora team

- Bilateral workshops with senior members and subject experts of Aurora' team to discuss Aurora's analysis and views on the market
- Our analysts will provide support at short-notice on questions arising from our research and commentary on policy developments















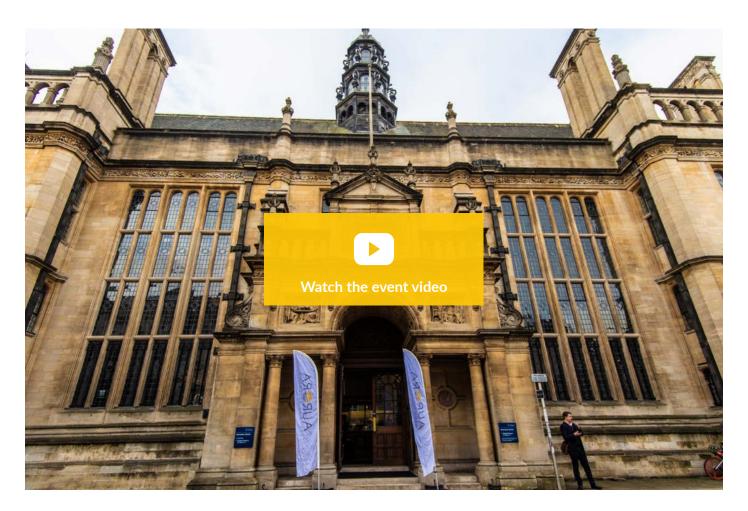
















Speaker and delegate feedback

"My highlight was the calibre of participants and the quality from Aurora in their sessions"

Steve Mack, Low Carbon

"This event is very good all round and I really enjoyed it"

Jeremy Taylor, Green Frog Power My highlight was the ambition of the topics discussed and the thinking that supported it (e.g. what will 2050 look like?)"

Charles Sheldon, Foresight Group



"There were lots of interesting people at the event and the analysis from Aurora was a particular highlight"

Elisabeth Ostreng, Statnett SF



"Overall, a very good conference to attend!"

Dermot Nolan, Ofgem

Joe DoleschalRidnell



"This event always has good networking opportunities and excellent topical review of the challenges facing

the energy sector"

Sue Milton, Natwest







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Media Coverage

Push to replace polluting gas boilers 'risks backlash', says energy regulator





Decarbonization across Europe 'needs Eur400 bil RES spend' to 2040

"Decarbonization of energy across Europe will require an investment of Eur400 billion (\$453 billion) in renewables to 2040, Aurora Energy Research said Tuesday"



Climate change making storms like Idai more severe, say experts

"Speaking at the Aurora Spring Forum in Oxford, Dermot Nolan said alternatives using hydrogen-based technology "doesn't potentially really exist at the moment"



Nuclear option for taking control of our borders



Zero-carbon Europe 'needs €400bn spent on renewables by 2040

"Aurora report forecasts 400GW in new cleanpower plant added but decarbonisation hinges on 'as-yet-unavailable' technologies"



Ofgem boss 'nervous' about decarbonisation of heat

"Speaking at the annual spring forum of Aurora Energy Research, chief executive of the energy regulator Dermot Nolan said he is relatively "sanguine" about the decarbonisation of power and transport but admitted he is "far more nervous about the issue of heat".



E.ON's Johannes Teyssen: The grid, not generation, will crack decarbonisation



Ofgem chief: Decarbonising heat the biggest energy challenge



Electrification and renewables boom across Europe will require huge grid resilience

"The findings by energy market analysis firm Aurora Energy Research highlight a rapid shift towards electric vehicles and renewable generation in a highlyinterconnected European grid"





Presentations from the day

The future of energy: what will the energy sector look like in 2030 and beyond?

Chair: Dieter Helm, Aurora

Keynote Speakers: lain Conn, Centrica and João Manso Neto, EDP

Renewables

View the presentation





2050 perspective – Future European power system and strategic implications

Chair: Richard Howard, Aurora

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Future utility business models: will we see more specialisation or integration?

Chair: Manuel Kohler, Aurora

Keynote Speakers: Keith Anderson, ScottishPower, lain Smedley,

Barclays and Cath Tanna, Energy Australia

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The future of merchant renewables in the European power market

Chair: Benjamin Merle, Aurora

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Presentations from the day

Future of renewables: how to get to true subsidy-free?

Chair: Mateusz Wronski, Aurora

Keynote Speakers: Carol Gould, MUFG, Danielle Lane, Vattenfall,

James Samworth, Greencoat Capital and Matthew

Wright, Orsted

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Future of carbon pricing: what is the trajectory for the ETS towards 2030?

Chair: Hanns Koenig, Aurora

Will Gardiner, Drax Group and Markus Krebber, Keynote Speakers:

RWE

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Future energy technologies: what is the next frontier?

Chair: Sebastian Just, Aurora

Keynote Speakers: Katie Collett, University of Oxford, Neil Morris,

Faraday Institution and Chris Llewellyn Smith,

University of Oxforda



Chris Llewellyn Smith's presentation

Katie Collett's presentation

Neil Morris' presentation

Future of energy retail: evolution or revolution?

Chair: Ana Barillas, Aurora

Keynote Speakers: Tony Cocker, former E.ON, Juliet Davenport, Good

Energy, Steffen Syvertsen, Agder Energi and John

Cole, Edify Energy

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Summer Renewables Summit - London - 5 June 2019

Previous Delegate Highlights:

"Lord Deben was a highlight, plus informative presentations and good podium discussions"

"Gaining better understanding where the renewable energy market in the UK is going and how off take agreements are developing to facilitate funding"

"Excellent presentations by Aurora and Augusta, with an engaged audience during and discussions afterwards"



Berlin Renewables Summit - Berlin - 12 June 2019

The merchant exposure of renewables projects in Germany is significantly increasing. Join us as we bring the industry leaders together to look at the issues and opportunities for investors in the renewables sector.

We will address the following questions:

- How will the EEG 2020 look like?
- How to reach the 65% renewables target?
- How to manage merchant risk and price PPAs?



Battery Storage and Flexibility Conference - 2019

Previous Delegate Highlights:

"Excellent, thought provoking presentation from Aurora's Felix"

"Calibre and variety of attendees and quality of the original analysis presented"

"Informative, interesting and will be good for business for all those who are involved in the disruptive/changing energy sector"



Aurora Spring Forum 2020 - Oxford - 24 March 2020

Previous Delegate Highlights:

"Networking with many people and learning new insights, especially from Aurora"

"The great diversity of interesting people and in-depth insight from industry CEOs"

"The calibre and content of the presenters and of course the excellent reception and dinner"







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