Expert Workshop on Jobs, Skills and the Low Carbon Economy

Tuesday 4th December 2012 9.45am – 4.30pm

Kohn Centre, The Royal Society 6-9 Carlton House Terrace, London, SW1Y 5AG



Agenda

9.45	Registration and coffee
10.15	Welcome and introductions
10.30	Jobs, Skills and the Low Carbon Economy: The key issues John Sartin, DECC
10.50	Review of Current and Potential Options for Low Carbon Skills Provision Pat Bowen or Richard Bayliss, Construction Industry Training Board
11.10	Coffee break
11.30	Policy Design and Delivery: Roundtable discussion starting from these questions
	 What are the different policy options for promoting low carbon skills provision? Is the existing mix of policies providing low carbon skills in effective and efficient ways? Are existing policies being implemented effectively and efficiently? Could new approaches to delivery lead to improved outcomes? Are there policy innovations that could be introduced to enhance low carbon skills provision?
10 15	Poles for Different Actors in Low Carbon Skills

12.15 Roles for Different Actors in Low Carbon Skills Provision: Roundtable discussion starting from these questions

- How do we understand skills requirements relating to the low carbon economy?
- What is the role for central government in enabling low carbon skills provision?
- What roles can be played by local authorities in promoting low carbon skills provision?
- To what extent can we rely on industry and trade associations to engage in skills provision?
- What roles should be played by sector skills councils, skills providers, certifiers and accrediting bodies?
- Can third sector organisations, such as unions or NGOs, play a role in skills provision?

1.00	Networking	lunch

1.45 Case Study 1: The Green Deal – Roundtable discussion starting from these questions:

- What particular skills shortages have the potential to impact on the Green Deal?
- What types of skills should we be focusing on to ensure the Green Deal realises its employment-creating potential?
- What policy measures and institutional arrangements could be put in place to ensure these skills are effectively provided/developed?
- Are there innovative approaches to skills provision that could be put in place to complement the Green Deal?

2.30 Case Study 2: The Renewable Heat IncentiveRoundtable discussion starting from these questions:

- What are the key skills that will affect the outcomes of the Renewable Heat Incentive?
- How can we best ensure that these skills are in place?
- What roles can be played by different actors in the process of RHI related skills provision?
- Are there examples of best practice that we can learn from, either within the UK or internationally?

3.15 Tea break3.35 Pushing Forward the Agenda on Low Carbon

Skills Provision

Delegate Panel

3.55 Final wrap up roundtable discussion

4.30 Close





