



Energy Crossroads: Meeting Society’s Energy Needs in a Changing World

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Morning Optional Pre-Conference Workshops *(additional registration required; descriptions of workshops available on IES website)*

Evolution of Model Contracts for New Energies

The Making of a Bankable Energy Project - Energy Project and Structured Finance 101

1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

IES Registration

1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Afternoon Optional Pre-Conference Workshops *(additional registration required; descriptions of workshops available on IES website)*

Power Markets and the PPA

Host Government Agreements: Overview, Update, Drafting Tips and Mock Negotiation

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Speed Networking Event *(complimentary for all attendees; registration is on a first-come, first-served basis on-site, limited to the first 80 attendees)*

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Welcome Reception

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

7:30 AM – 9:00 AM

Women in Energy Networking Breakfast *(additional registration required)*

Join us for an uplifting conference kick off discussion on how women lead efforts to bridge the gender gap in energy-related fields, both in terms of participation and leadership. We will delve into ways that male allies can facilitate creation in an inclusive and supportive environment for women. Are there existing policies or initiatives that are successfully driving gender diversity in the energy sector, and how can they be expanded? Are they useful? This will be an open, casual forum for women and allies to network and discuss progress and challenges in this space.

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Registration & Welcome Refreshments

9:00 AM – 9:15 AM

Opening Remarks

Michael J. Beirne, Outgoing AIEN President; Sr. Commercial Manager, Hess Corporation

2:45 PM – 3:45 PM

Boulos Lecture Series

Each year, AIEN hosts an annual lecture series in honor of Alfred J. Boulos, former AIEN president and highly regarded international energy negotiator. Al was active in the international petroleum industry for more than 50 years, serving as AIEN’s sixth president, as well as founding the London-based European Petroleum Negotiators Group.

3:45 PM – 4:15 PM

Afternoon Refreshment Break

- 4:15 PM – 5:15 PM **Global Oil & Gas Exploration Activity to Support New Energy Supplies and Lower Emissions**
- A panel of senior energy industry players discuss their exploration strategies, plans and activities to meet society's energy needs in the coming decades. What are the challenges and opportunities they see and what must industry and resource owners do to ensure affordable energy supplies while reducing emissions.
- 5:30 PM – 5:40 PM **Closing Remarks**
- 7:00 PM – 11:30 PM **Awards Dinner**

Thursday, June 12, 2025

- 8:00 AM – 8:50 AM **Registration & Continental Breakfast**
- 8:50 AM – 9:00 AM **Opening Remarks**
- 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM **LNG 2.0: More Than Just a Transition Fuel?**
- LNGs place in the global portfolio is a highly evolving space over the last 3-5 years. Whether through new pricing, new infrastructure, diverse contracting structuring due to the rise of the portfolio players, the LNG market is not just as a short-term transition fuel. This panel will discuss the most recent development of LNG in the global market structure and what the next 25 years may look like.
- 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM **Balancing Energy Challenges in Developing Nations**
- Developing nations face different challenges in dealing with today’s energy environment. Is energy available? How expensive is it, both in terms of financial cost and impact on the environment? Challenges also arise with respect to infrastructure, risk perception, finance availability. Developing nations have diverse answers to these questions and problems, and weigh the compromises differently, a variety of policy and regulatory responses are emerging. The speakers on this panel will highlight the policy and regulatory differences across the continents, in the areas of conventional vs non-conventional resources, renewable energy resources and targeting net zero.
- 11:00 AM – 11:30 AM **Morning Refreshment Break**
- 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM **Regional Collaboration: Unlocking the Potential of Europe, North Africa and the Middle East**
- This panel would provide a deep dive into the intricacies of regional energy dynamics while looking ahead to potential breakthroughs in cooperation across North Africa, the Middle East, and Europe. The experts will discuss geopolitical challenges and how shifting alliances (Turkiye, Russia, the EU) might affect future energy collaborations, reflect on how increasing energy demand in Europe post-Russian energy cut-offs can drive collaboration between Europe, North Africa and the Middle East, discuss the role of renewables (solar, wind) in the region’s future energy mix, and the potential for green hydrogen production, and how climate change policies and how they are shaping the regional energy market, including the transition from fossil fuels to sustainable energy solutions.
- 12:30 PM – 1:45 PM **Networking Luncheon**

1:45 PM – 2:45 PM

Financing Tomorrow's Energy Today

A look into the ways that today's innovative and largest energy projects are being financed, addressing the challenges and new approaches to achieving FID and bringing projects online. This panel will also look at the "carrot and stick" approach used in the EU, the IRA in the US and other evolving regulatory markets for new energy projects and provide insights into the incentives and penalties driving these investment decisions. We will review the diverse capital needs, business models, and revenue streams associated with energy development, and provide a critical examination of how investors assess risk and return, demonstrating a deeper understanding of the strategic approaches necessary to thrive in this evolving sector.

:45 PM – 3:15 PM

Afternoon Refreshment Break

3:15 PM – 4:15 PM

Squaring the Triangle of the Energy Trilemma

'Squaring the circle' is a problem of geometry—but for energy, the problem is squaring the triangle of the energy trilemma: security, energy transition, and affordability. Building on the discussions during the Summit leading up to this closing panel, the speakers will discuss how policy, regulation and governance should seek to resolve growing energy needs while reducing emissions and ensuring that energy remains affordable. Discussion will focus on the policy options, and emission reductions choices to support all three legs of the stool.

4:15 PM – 5:00 PM

Lets Bring it Back: How does AIEN Lead?

AIEN continues to drive harmonization in form contracts, enabling development of large-scale production and consumption projects throughout the world. Each of these contracts requires careful consideration of cross-border issues such as emissions accounting and tax credit monetization. This is a panel will build on the discussions of the IES, drawing on emerging trends in the industry and discussing the state-of-play of model contracts under development, including the significant progress made in drafting our first Hydrogen JDOA Term Sheet, the sale and purchase of low carbon hydrogen and the establishment of joint ventures to develop low carbon hydrogen production projects, CCS and renewable fuels derived from sustainable sources such as biomass, waste, or other organic materials.

5:00 PM – 5:15 PM

Closing Remarks

Shakwa R. Nyambe, Incoming AIEN President; Managing Partner, SNC Incorporated