

# State aid in the energy sector

A seminar in partnership with the UK State Aid Law Association  
Oxera, London

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## Panel

**James Kavanagh, Partner, Oxera**

James has over ten years of professional experience in competition economics, with a focus on state aid and litigation. He has worked on economic and finance issues in cases in all major European jurisdictions. James is co-author of *Economics for Competition Lawyers*, a leading textbook, and teaches on the postgraduate course Economics for Competition Law at King's College London.

**Jackie Holland, Special Adviser, Slaughter and May**

Jackie has around 20 years' experience in the public and private legal sectors. Jackie recently rejoined Slaughter and May after spending five years at the UK Office of Fair Trading where she was Senior Director for the Policy Group, Procedural Adjudicator for Competition Act cases and one of the decision-makers on merger cases.

**Lode Van Den Hende, Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills**

Lode has advised governments granting aid, investors receiving aid as well as complainants seeking to challenge aid over a period of more than 15 years. In the energy sector he has extensively advised clients investing in projects benefiting from State support and on the application of the EU's Third Energy Package to new energy transmission infrastructure.

## Chair

**Dr Adina Claici, Senior Economist, European Commission**

Adina has been a Senior Member of the Chief Economist Team (DG Competition) since 2008 and has recently joined the College of Europe (Bruges) as a Visiting Professor. Her work at the European Commission has covered state aid, mergers and antitrust cases, with a current focus on state aid and energy projects. Adina received her PhD in Economics from Autònoma University of Barcelona and worked as a lecturer before joining the Commission. She has published in refereed journals in the field of competition policy.

## Overview

An evening seminar at Oxera's London offices, to discuss the application of the State aid rules in the energy sector, including the European Commission's recent decision on support for Hinkley Point C, and other energy projects in the UK.

## Location

The seminar will take place at Oxera, 200 Aldersgate, London, EC1A 4HD. The closest Tube stations are Barbican on the Hammersmith & City, Circle and Metropolitan lines, and St. Paul's on the Central line.

## Programme

18.00 Arrive for registration  
18.15 Seminar begins  
19.30 Drinks reception  
20.00 End of event

## Registration

You can register for the seminar by visiting our website. Please direct any queries to [events@oxera.com](mailto:events@oxera.com).

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