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## Presenters' Profiles



### James Beal – Managing Director

James Beal became Managing Director of Renewables East in May 2004.

James' previous role of Sustainable Development Manager with Yorkshire Forward and interim CEO of

Future Energy Company, included bringing forward low carbon solutions within the regional economy, representing the region's energy interest at a national and international level, and raising awareness of sustainable development and carbon related issues.

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Prior to this, James worked as Sustainable Development Analyst, Planning Strategy Team (2001 - 2002) and Environment Assessment Officer (1999-2001) for Warwickshire County Council. He is also a director of Kirklees Energy Centre, an independent energy efficiency advice centre for Calderdale and Kirklees, West Yorkshire.

James graduated from University of Durham in 1995 with a BSc(hons) Environmental Management. After completing a Masters of Research Built Environment at the University of Leeds in 1996, he spent two years researching sustainable building at the Building Research Centre, University of Salford



### Andrej Miller, Policy Manager, Renewable Heat Incentive, DECC

Andrej Miller is a policy manager in the Renewable Financial Incentives team at the Department of Energy

and Climate Change. His role focuses on policy development of the Renewable Heat Incentive.

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He has worked in energy group in DTI, BERR and now DECC for over four years in posts which included working on the Feed-in Tariffs, the Energy Act 2008 and the Energy White Paper 2007.

Prior to joining Government Andrej worked for PwC and Deloitte & Touche in the Global Risk Management/Enterprise Risk branches of the Audit and Assurance divisions.

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### Miguel Mendonça – World Future Council

Miguel Mendonça is the World Future Council's Research Manager. His background is in horticulture, geography, history, journalism, social science and environmental ethics. He is an

author and sustainability advocate, focusing on social and political aspects of renewable energy policy,

working for the rapid deployment of renewable energy around the world, and public participation in this process.

Miguel writes books, papers, articles, commentaries and reviews on sustainability issues. He is author of the influential Feed-in Tariffs - accelerating the deployment of renewable energy (2007), co-author of the follow-up, Powering the Green Economy: The Feed-in Tariff Handbook (2010), and co-author of A Renewable World – Energy, Ecology, Equality (2009).



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### Philip Wolfe – Director of Ownergy

Philip Wolfe is one of the pioneers of the UK renewable energy industry. He recently founded Ownergy Plc, to provide renewable electricity and heating systems to businesses and consumers, supported by the government's new Renewable Energy Tariffs. He is also a Director of the Renewable Energy Association and the Aldersgate Group.

He has installed renewable energy in his home for all of its heating and part of its electricity.

A Cambridge first-class engineering graduate, Philip has been involved in the sector since the 1970's when he became the first Chief Executive of what is now BP Solar. He later established his own photovoltaics company Intersolar Group, which from 1993 to 2002 was the sole UK manufacturer of photovoltaic cells. He has served on the Boards of European and British industry bodies, and advised the European Commission and the British Government.



### Alice Waltham – IPA Energy Consulting

Alice Waltham is a leading consultant in IPA Energy + Water Economics' Sustainable Energy & Carbon team, and is a member of Scottish Renewables' Microgeneration and Transmission System working groups. She has six years experience of sustainable energy, including specialist experience in policy and regulatory framework (including in the UK, France, Germany, Netherland, Denmark, Finland, Italy,

Norway, Sweden, Spain, Bulgaria, FYR Macedonia and Canada). Alice has worked for many public bodies responsible for regional development, including EEDA, the Northern Way group of ONE, NWDA and Yorkshire Forward, EMDA, Scottish Enterprise, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar and Envirolink Northwest. She has advised on feasibility and market assessments for a wide range of projects, from a few kW to 1 GW capacity. Before joining IPA she worked for Good Energy, a UK renewable electricity supplier



### Yvonne Lee – Associate with Savills

Yvonne Lee is an Associate of Savills specialising in Corporate Real Estate. She has 26 years commercial property experience gained in consultancy and both the public and private sectors. Through this varied experience she has gained a very broad understanding of property and is able to bring a strong strategic perspective to Corporate Real Estate. Yvonne joined Savills in 2008.

She provides strategic advice to a variety of corporate clients including industrial manufacturers, infrastructure service providers and educational occupiers, including several Cambridge Colleges. Yvonne is particularly involved with issues of energy and sustainability within the corporate occupier market, helping clients formulate and deliver working strategies for energy and sustainability; adding value to their businesses and cutting operational costs.



### Julian Aubert – Director of Scott Wilson Business Consultancy

Julian Aubert is a Director at Scott Wilson Business Consultancy and has been involved in the business

case and feasibility analysis of a number of infrastructure projects, particularly in the transport sector. Julian has also been involved in the development of business plan of sustainable development of Milton Keynes (1<sup>st</sup> business plan from Milton Keynes Partnership Committee) and actively involved in the development and promotion of the



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sustainability agenda, as a member of the Scott Wilson Sustainability Board.

In the renewables sector, Julian has evaluated the commercial viability of ESCos, assessed the business case for MAUI, an innovative renewable wave energy device, a review of the strategic development of the renewables sector and is currently leading the commercial evaluation team of a tidal scheme on the



## Kevin Smith – Rolton Group

Kevin is a Chartered Engineer and CIBSE Low Carbon Consultant with over 25 years experience within the Built Environment. He

is a Director of Rolton Group, with a responsibility for the operational and project performance at their Peterborough office.

Kevin has, in his professional career, worked with a diverse range of national and international public

river Mersey. Julian has a Post-graduate Certificate of Economics, an MSc Economics, Mphil equivalent in Labour Economics (London University, Birkbeck), Chartered Institute of Marketing Diploma and a Business Studies equivalent degree

sector, commercial and industrial clients in assessing the feasibility and alternative options for proposed developments, including the provision of low and zero carbon energy supplies and technologies. Kevin has assisted his Clients in developing technical standards, methods of procurement and best practice.

Kevin has helped numerous clients achieve above excellent BREEAM ratings for example Middlesex University's Hatchcroft project, for which Rolton Group were commended at the recent ACE Engineering Excellence award ceremony.

## William Edrich – Yorkshire Energy Services

William Edrich has over 19 years of experience in the energy field, has represented the Local Government Association on energy matters at the EFRA select committee, the CBI Emission Trading Group and Innovation grants panel. Whilst at Kirklees Council, William wrote and implemented the domestic energy strategy and was successful in obtaining, managing and delivering around £20m in grant / support funding from a wide range of sources resulting in the Council obtaining a number of international and national awards and the establishment of the Kirklees Warm

Zone; the first UK free insulation scheme to all residents in a local authority area.

From June 2006 William was seconded part time from the Council to Yorkshire Energy Services as their Chief Executive. Yorkshire Energy Services is an international award winning non distributing community interest company, limited by guarantee – in effect a social enterprise company working in the field of energy efficiency, fuel poverty and renewables. The company has a reputation nationally for being particularly strong in managing projects delivering energy efficiency, conservation and renewable measures in the domestic sector

## Jonathan Harlock – Formerly of Perpetual Energy

Jonathan Harlock formerly of Perpetual Energy, has spent the last 3 Years developing Solar, Biomass and Wind projects in the industrial/commercial market.

Projects have included of 1MW multinational pv in Germany, Spain, Belgium and USA, wind projects from 50kW to 9MW and biomass CHP. Jonathan has developed a range of finance models for clients including JV's and ESCos.



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### John Heffernan – Cleanpower

John Heffernan is an accomplished Executive, with broad based experience including general management, business development and performance improvement projects in a diverse array of settings.

John is Managing Director of Cleanpower Ltd. since November 2006 and has been a board member since the company's inception in 2002.

Prior to Cleanpower, John spent 10 years with McKinsey & Company as a Management Consultant specialising in the energy sector. At McKinsey, John

worked for many of the largest Irish and European utilities and oil and gas companies of issues of strategy, regulation, finance and growth. John has also been Development Director at Arnotts Ltd in Ireland and has worked at Boundary Capital.

John is a board member of Alternative Energy Resources Ltd., which is a company specialising in bio-ethanol and which has won one of the Government allocations for bio-ethanol supply in Ireland.

At Cleanpower, John has been responsible for building the business into a bio-energy solution provider and developer in Ireland and the UK with over 70 completed installations. He has also overseen the growth of the Cleanpower biomass fuels business into the largest supplier of wood fuels to the commercial biomass sector.

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### Justin Hayward – Cambridge Investment Research

Justin founded Cambridge Investment Research (CIR), the local strategy consultancy, in 2001 and continues to direct the company. CIR now aims to work with its clients in a range of sectors, including minimisation of energy use and emissions for companies with portfolios of land and property. CIR has also put on 14 major conferences since 2002, springing from its High Value Manufacturing Series, on nanotechnology, sustainable transport (SHIFT), sustainable buildings (HEAT), and upcoming again, Cleanpower and Smart Grids 24-

25 June 2010. Before founding CIR, Justin was an analyst at an investment bank in London, financial modelling.

Justin spent a summer at CERN, the large particle collider working with Oxford's group for the DELPHI experiment. Justin enjoys hill walking and cycling. He his wife and two sons live in Cambridge, in a house built in 1890, that they are trying to run in a more ecologically friendly way. A studio office of natural timber requiring minimal heating, with a green sedge roof, is being built there for CIR's use, this month.



### Peter Lee – Renewables East, Planning Advisor

Peter's background is as a town planner working for local authorities and as a manager of local authority environmental services. He has also been an

environmental policy advisor to EEDA and a planning inspector.

His role in Renewables East is to assist planning policy development as it relates to renewables in the region and assist local authorities and renewables developers in addressing the issues around the grant of sufficient planning permissions to meet the region's renewables target.

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### Richard Hales – South Cambridgeshire District Council

Richard Hales has spent what seems to have been a lifetime in understanding and seeking to deliver sustainability in local government. Moving out of

academia to Suffolk and then to West Norfolk from 2001, he is now at South Cambridgeshire DC wrestling with the delivery of target-driven carbon savings in a climate-stressed world.