



Energy Choices under Low Oil Prices

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1. Introduction

Since its inaugural conference in 2012 the Global Forum on Energy Security (GFES) has become China's premier international platform for deliberations on the changing global energy landscape and China's role in global energy security. GFES 2016 will convene with the backdrop of the G20 Energy ministerial meeting and the publication of China's 13th Five Year Plan with the goal of promoting academic and policy exchange on global energy security and sustainable development and proposing policy recommendations to various governments.

In the past year, global energy markets have experienced remarkable changes. Low energy prices undermine stability in energy exporting countries; oil and gas companies are suffering painful losses with hundreds of billions of dollars' worth of projects being shelved; Iran is returning to global markets while its relations with Saudi Arabia are at all time low; the conflicts in Ukraine, Syria, Libya and Yemen are still unresolved. With its economy slowing down, China is also facing uncertainty. To accelerate economic development the One Belt One Road Initiative (OBOR) has taken its first steps with the opening of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank and the announcements of multiple investments in energy projects. How will OBOR impact the Euro-Asian and global energy market and economic development? Can we foresee a larger integrated market in this vast area? And how will this development mesh with the TPP and TTIP? How can domestic and foreign companies participate in this ambitious initiative? Additionally, China is promoting supply side reform aimed at optimizing industrial capability, reducing costs and reforming its SOEs. The desire to reduce coal use while increasing the share of natural gas, nuclear and renewables in the country's energy portfolio raises new dilemmas about the optimal way to achieve such an outcome without hurting industrial output.

To discuss all of these issues and others GFES 2016 is welcoming top experts and policymakers from the world and will release theme reports of the co-organizers.

2. Topics and Call for Papers

MAIN TOPIC: Energy choices under low oil prices

Sub topics:

- Energy cooperation along OBOR & beyond
- Geopolitics, global energy market and oil prices
- The 13th Five Year Plan – the supply side reform
- Transportation fuel choices: “economic viability is achieved?”
- Smart energy & smart cities: “a zero carbon world?”
- Innovating & opening the Asian natural gas market
- Sustainable energy, joint cross-border education & critical materials

GFES will compile and publish *Review on Global Energy Security 2016*. We call for papers in Chinese and/or English related to the topics of the conference. Papers can be sent for consideration to gfesbeijing@126.com before May 1, 2016.

3. Location and time

Convention Center, Beijing International Hotel
No.9,Jianguomennei Street, Beijing, China
09:00 ~17:00, June 30-July 1, 2016

4. Organizing Committee

Co-chairs :

- Prof. Li Ping, Director, Institute of Quantitative & Technical Economics, CASS
- Dr. Gal Luft, Co-Director, Institute for the Analysis of Global Security and Senior Adviser of the United States Energy Security Council
- Dr. Patrick C.P. Ho, Deputy Chairman and Secretary General, China Energy Fund Committee
- Dr. Huang Xiaoyong, Dean of Graduate School of CASS, and Director of the Center for International Energy Security Studies, CASS

Secretary-General :

Dr. Liu Qiang

Associate Secretary-Generals :

Mr. Han Shengjun, Mr. Andrew Lo, Ms. Wang Wei

5. Languages

Chinese and English with simultaneous interpretation

6. Agenda

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DRAFT AGENDA

Day 1: June 30

08:30-9:00 Registration

SESSION 1

9:00-10:00 Opening remarks

Chair: Prof. Li Ping, Director, Institute of Quantitative & Technical Economics, CASS

- Opening and introduction of speakers
- Associate President of CASS
- Dr. Gal Luft, Co-Director of Institute for the Analysis of Global Security and Senior Adviser of the United States Energy Security Council
- Leader of National Energy Administration of China
- H.E. Lloyd Pinas, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Suriname in the People's Republic of China
- Dr. Patrick C.P. Ho, Deputy Chairman and Secretary General, China Energy Fund Committee
- Mr. Kevin TU, China Program Manager, International Energy Agency (IEA)

SESSION 2

9:50-10:50 Special speech and Theme Report

Chair: Prof. LI Fuqiang, Secretary, Institute of Quantitative & Technical Economics, CASS

- Dr. Gal Luft, Co-Director of Institute for the Analysis of Global Security and Senior Adviser of the United States Energy Security Council
Presidential election in America and energy policy choice for next administration
- Prof. Li Ping, Director, Institute of Quantitative & Technical Economics, CASS
Theme Report of GFES 2016: Energy Choices under Low Oil Prices

10:50-11:05 Media communication

11:05-11:25 Coffee Break

SESSION 3

11:25-13:15 The changing Geopolitics of Energy

Chair: Anne Korin, Co-Director of Institute for the Analysis of Global Security and Senior Adviser of the United States Energy Security Council

- Sandra Oudkirk, Director for the Middle East & Asia, Bureau of Energy Resources Department of State
- Prof. HUANG Xiaoyong, Dean of Graduate School of CASS, Director of Center for Studies on International Energy Security
- David Sandalow, Inaugural Fellow, Center on Global Energy Policy Columbia University, former Under Secretary of Energy (acting) and Assistant Secretary for Policy & International Affairs of American Department of Energy (TBC)
- Professor ZHA Daojiong, Director of World New Energy Strategic Studies, Peking University
- Mr. Jonathan Paris, The Chertoff Group, London
- Ms. Sanaz Dadfar, Tulip Petroleum

13:15-14:15 Lunch

14:15-16:00 Release of new report of World Energy Situation and panel discussion

Chair: Prof. HUANG Xiaoyong, Dean of Graduate School of CASS

16:00-16:20 Media questions, Coffee Break

SESSION 4

16:20 - 17:50 Energy connectivity along OBOR

Chair: Dr. LIU Qiang, Secretary General, Global Forum on Energy Security

- Prof. SHI Ze, Senior Fellow, China Institute for International Studies
- Dr. Ariel Cohen, Center for Energy and Geopolitics, USA
- Prof. HU Biliang, Director of Institute of Emerging Market at Beijing Normal University
- Dr. Erica Downs, Senior Analyst, Eurasia Group
- Dr. YU Hongyuan, Senior Fellow, Shanghai Institute for International Studies
- Dr. Ka Ho YU, Postdoctoral Fellow, Geopolitics of Energy Project, Harvard University

DINNER 18:30-20:00

Hosted by China Energy Fund Committee (CEFC)

-1st Floor, Conference Center, Beijing International Hotel

Dinner speaker: Mr. Roger Tamraz, Chairman, Netoil

Day 2: July 1

SESSION 6

Keynote Speech, Choices in energy supply and security

Chair: Prof. Li Ping, Director, Institute of Quantitative & Technical Economics, CASS

9:00-9:20 Keynote Speech

- Speaker: Hon. Dr. Shamshad Akhtar, Under Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of ESCAP
- Comments: Dr. Xavier Chen, CEO of Beijing Energy Club

9:20-11:00 Choices in energy supply and security

Chair: Anne Korin, Co-Director of Institute for the Analysis of Global Security and Senior Adviser of the United States Energy Security Council

- Mr. Jonathan Goh, Director, External Relations Department, Energy Market Authority, Singapore
- Mr. GUO Jiaofeng, Assistant Director, Institute of Resource and Environment, Development Research Center of The State Council
- Dr. Victor GAO, Chairman, China Energy Security Institute at Chinese Academy of Governance
- Mr. Morten Frisch, MFC Consulting
- Dr. HU Senlin, Chief of Research Division, Department of Policy Studies, CNOOC
- Dr. WANG Tao, Assistant Director of CBN Research Institute
- ZHAO Kai, Director Methanol Institute, China

11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

SESSION 7

11:15-12:45 Keynote Speech, Sustainable energy & critical materials

Chair: Dr. LIU Qiang, Secretary General, Global Forum on Energy Security

11:15-11:45 Keynote Speech

- H.E. Denis G. Antoine, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Grenada in the People's Republic of China
- Mr. C. Gopalkrishnan, Professor Emeritus of Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University, India

11:45-12:45 Sustainable energy & critical materials for a new energy future

- Filip Matwin, CEO, Advanced Science and Innovation Company
- Mr. QIU Biao, Chairman, Hong Kong Emission Exchange
- Jack Lifton, Founding Principal of Technology Metals Research
- David Abraham, Director, Technology, Rare and Electronic Materials Center (TREM)

12:45-14:00 Lunch

SESSION 8

14:00-16:05 Keynote speech, Creation of a gas-based industry

Chair: Mr. WANG Gang, TEDA Holdings

14:00-14:20 Keynote speech

- H.E. Nebojša Koharović, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Croatia in the People's Republic of China

14:20-16:05 Creation of a gas-based industry: Supply Chain Integration

Chair: Mr. Morten Frisch

- Dr. Atik Zaman, Chairman of Alrai Group of Companies
- Mr. Mike Thomas, Senior Partner, Lantau Group
- Mr. Tom Smeenk, Business Development Manager, Vopak
- Mr. Phillip Franshaw, Managing Director LNG, Exelon Corporation – COO, Annova LNG
- Mr. Hilary Lau, Partner, Herbert Smith & Freehills
- Mr. GU Xiangqian, Guangdong Yangjiang Hailingwan LNG Co.,Ltd.
- Mr. Robbin Bishoen – Energy Expert & Advisor Industrial Zone Restructuring, CEO - Yangjiang Petrochemical Industrial Zone

16:05 – 16:25 Coffee Break

SESSION 9

16:25-17:30 Closing Remarks and Summary

Chair: Dr. LIU Qiang, Secretary General, Global Forum on Energy Security

- Ambassador Urban Rusnak, Secretary-General, Energy Charter Secretariat
- Dr. Patrick C.P. Ho, Deputy Chairman and Secretary General, China Energy Fund Committee
- Dr. Gal Luft, Co-Director of Institute for the Analysis of Global Security and Senior Adviser of the United States Energy Security Council