Potential Visitors to the Electricity Policy Research Group (EPRG) – Please read this BEFORE contacting any member of the EPRG.

Instructions for Student initiated - Student visitors

We welcome a small number of high quality PhD students to the EPRG. There are a number of criteria for a potential visiting student and we will not normally consider any student who does not meet all of these criteria.

1. You should have a well-developed proposal for what you want to work on during your time at the EPRG. Normally you would be working on a component of your home university degree (a PhD thesis chapter, or a Masters thesis). We would expect evidence of exceptional academic performance. We would not normally consider students who are not registered graduate students (thus undergraduates or those who have completed an undergraduate degree but not yet started a graduate degree will not be considered).

2. Your proposal should identify, two and no more than two potential supervisors within the EPRG group, your email should be copied to both of these potential supervisors. Your proposal should clearly state how it relates to your potential supervisors’ work and how it will link with their existing research. Normally this would involve an application of their previous work to a new problem or dataset.

3. If accepted you would commit to working towards a joint publication with your supervisor of a standard to be published in the EPRG working paper series.

4. You would be expected to come for at least one Cambridge full term and we would not normally consider a visit that just included the summer period.

5. You must have your own source of funding. We can offer no financial support to student visitors and it would be your responsibility to apply for any funding for which you are eligible. We would require you to demonstrate that you have sufficient funding to cover all your maintenance and travel costs. We could not normally act as your referee in any application if you have not worked with us previously.

6. Your full application would address all 5 of the above points and would include two referees of whom at least one should be of international standing in their field, and one of whom should be a current supervisor, who would explain not only your progress and promise but how the visit would contribute to the successful completion of the research.

7. Potential visitors are welcome to make contact in the first instance to the Administrator – [Andrew Pruitt](mailto:Andrew.Pruitt@electricitypolicy.org) - indicating possible supervisors (who can be copied in) to ensure that these criteria are met and to start the process of discussing the specifics of their proposal, however they should satisfy themselves that they can meet all the criteria specified above first.
Instructions for Post-Doctoral Visitors

We welcome a small number of post-Doctoral visitors for periods of up to one year.

1. You should have a well-developed proposal for what you want to work on during your time at the EPRG. In addition we would expect evidence of exceptional academic performance.

2. Your proposal should identify one or two (but no more than two) potential host collaborators within the EPRG group, your email should be copied to all potential supervisors. Your proposal should clearly state how it relates to your potential supervisors’ work and how it will link with their existing research and the intended journal(s) for the research output.

3. If accepted you would commit to working towards a joint publication with your host collaborator of a standard to be published in the EPRG working paper series, with a view to a journal article publication.

4. You would be expected to come for at least one Cambridge full term and we would not normally consider a visit which just included the summer period.

5. You must have adequate financial support, normally this would include provision for your salary and a bench fee payable to the host department. We can offer no financial support to post-doctoral visitors and it would your responsibility to apply for any funding for which you are eligible. We could not normally act as your referee in any funding application if you have not worked with us previously.

6. Post-Doctoral visitors would be expected to be resident in Cambridge during the period of their visit and to come to the weekly EPRG research seminars and any regular EPRG events during their visit.

7. Your full application would address all 6 of the above points and would include two referees of whom at least one should be of international standing in their field.

8. Potential visitors are welcome to make contact in the first instance to the Administrator, Andrew Pruitt, and also with possible supervisors to discuss the specifics of their proposal, however they should satisfy themselves that they can meet all the criteria specified above first.

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