EPRG Spring Seminar, 16-17 May 2013
in partnership with FTI Consulting and Compass Lexecon

The Move to Central Planning and Intervention

Thursday 16 May Robinson College
Dining Hall, Robinson College, Grange Road, Cambridge CB3 9AN

18:30 – 22:00 Reception & dinner
Speaker: Professor Janusz Bialek "Will the lights really go out?"

Friday 17 May Robinson College
Umney Theatre, Robinson College, Grange Road, Cambridge CB3 9AN

09:00 Registration and coffee
09:30 Welcome and introduction - David Newbery & Boaz Moselle

09:40 – 10:50 SESSION 1 – TRANSMISSION PLANNING
Chair: Boaz Moselle (FTI Consulting / Compass Lexecon)
Jason Mann (FTI) Transmission Investment and Regulation: a Third Way?
Michael Pollitt (EPRG) Does GB Need an Independent System Operator?

11:20 – 12:30 SESSION 2 – BALANCING AND CAPACITY MARKETS
Chair: David Newbery (EPRG)
Dmitri Perekhodtsev (Compass Lexecon) A Kick to Generation Investment, through the Reform of Balancing Mechanism, Capacity Markets or Both?
William Webster (RWE) Capacity Markets and Balancing in the EU Context

14:00 – 15:10 SESSION 3 – REFORM OF ENERGY SUBSIDIES
Chair: David Reiner (EPRG)
Jim Krane (EPRG) Reform of Energy Subsidies in the Gulf Monarchies
David Newbery (EPRG) Reforming the Renewables Directive and Financing the Low-Carbon Future

15:40 – 16:50 SESSION 4 – RETAIL MARKETS
Chair: Michael Pollitt (EPRG)
Andrew Wright (Ofgem)
Stephen Littlechild (EPRG)
Catherine Waddams (UEA)
Boaz Moselle (FTI)

16:55-17:00 Concluding word – David Newbery