



Royal Society: Energy... for the future

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A quick note to raise awareness of this two day meeting at the [Royal Society](#) on 10th-11th April in London.

'Energy... for the future' will pose the question: how can we supply energy for the inhabitants of Earth, sufficient to meet everyone's needs, without causing serious, irreversible damage to the environment?

This is timely as we face the global challenges of addressing climate change, providing a secure and reliable supply of energy and the depletion of oil. Fossil fuels provide cheap and convenient sources of energy and no single solution can replace them. But unless we change course, developing alternative supplies of energy and address how we use it, the next generations could face dangerous climate change and major restrictions to their lifestyles and economic development with the potential for conflicts over energy supplies.

Our generation - rightly - will be blamed for knowingly squandering the planet's resources. The input for this meeting will be from leading scientists and engineers representing a whole spectrum of possible energy solutions.

The terms of reference sound encouraging accepting the depletion of oil and the programme looks interesting covering everything from fusion and hydrogen to marine, wind, demand reduction and energy efficiency. Traditional fossil fuel use is not on the agenda - reflecting the Royal Society's view that it is not a fuel of the future?

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I'll be there.



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