



Open Letter on establishment of an Advisory Council

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To whom it may concern,

An all island programme of work entitled "Programme for a Secure Sustainable Power System" has been developed by EirGrid and SONI which outlines the next steps that need to be undertaken in terms of facilitation of renewables. This programme has taken into account the results of the "Facilitation of Renewables" study and other relevant studies and analysis. The primary objective of the programme is to ensure that the 2020 renewable policy targets are achieved in a sustainable and efficient manner while ensuring continued security of supply on the island. This programme of work spans a three year timeframe and covers multiple industry stakeholders.

In that context, EirGrid and SONI would like to set up an Advisory Council to provide a forum to discuss views and concerns on those issues which impact on the successful implementation of the programme. A Terms of Reference for the Advisory Council has been published. Membership of this Council will require attendance at meetings three times annually. At these meetings, the programme progress will be discussed and views of the Council will be sought. In addition, assistance or advice may be sought occasionally with respect to specific items within the programme; this may take the form of document review and/or ad hoc meetings.

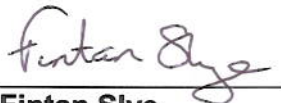
EirGrid and SONI are now seeking expressions of interest from those who would like to be a member of the Advisory Council. If you are interested please write or email the programme manager (Yvonne.Coughlan@eirgrid.com) at EirGrid setting out briefly:

- Current involvement/role in the electricity industry;
- List of relevant experience and/or qualifications;
- List of relevant publications, if any;
- Any company or organisations (including EU stakeholder organisations) you are a member of, or affiliated to;
- Any other relevant information and;
- Contact details.

Please apply by email by Wednesday, 31 August 2011 as applications received after this deadline will not be considered. Following review of the applications received, EirGrid and SONI will issue invitations for membership of the Advisory Council. To ensure a good diversity of experience, EirGrid and SONI will endeavour to make sure that the Advisory Council contains a broad range of relevant expertise according to the provisions of the Terms of Reference.

Should you have any questions about this or the work of EirGrid and SONI in this area, please do not hesitate to contact: Yvonne Coughlan (Yvonne.Coughlan@eirgrid.com)

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Fintan Slye', written over a horizontal line.

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