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Fatih Birol

Executive Dir.
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Cantellano**

Former UN Climate
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Partn. & CEO
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Wael Sawan

CEO
Shell



Karen Kyllèsø

Polar Explorer
Friluftsjenta



Christian Bruch

President & CEO
Siemens Energy



**Patrick
Pouyanné**

Chairman of the
Board and CEO
TotalEnergies



Sara Akbar

CEO
Oilserv Kuwait



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**Paris School of
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Greg Jackson
Founder & CEO
Octopus Energy



Amena Bakr
Head of Middle East
& OPEC+ Insights
Kpler



Helima Croft
President
and CEO
Equinor



Amrita Sen
Founder & Dir. of
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Nick Walker
CEO
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Nick Butler
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**King's College
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**Amani
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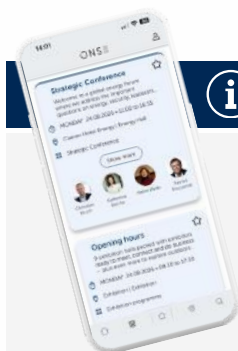


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Monday 24 August

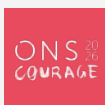
11:00 to 13:00	Opening Ceremony		
13:00	Lunch		
15:00	Shaping or shaking? The AI impact on energy	A changing world order and new alliances - in coop. with Atlantic Council	Leadership Dialogue
15:30			Leadership Dialogue
16:00	Energy future - Renewable, nuclear or something new?	Courage in action: delivering energy and decarboniz. in a fragmented world	Leadership Dialogue
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Opening Ceremony ONS 2026

🕒 11:00-13:00 📍 Energy Hall

Christian Bruch, President and CEO, Siemens Energy

Patrick Pouyanné, Chairman of the Board and CEO, TotalEnergies

Karen Kylesø, Polar Explorer, Friluftsjenta

Sara Akbar, CEO, Oilserv Kuwait

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Helen Watts, Executive Director, Student Energy

Sunita Narain, Dir. Gral., Centre for Science and Environment

Moderators: Amrita Sen, Found. & Dir. of Market Intelligence, Energy Aspects **and** Helima Croft, Man. Dir. and Glob. Head of Commodity Strategy, RBC Capital Markets

A changing world order and new alliances -in coop. w/ Atlantic Council

🕒 15:00-16:00 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Benedikt Franke, Vice-Chairman & CEO, Munich Security Conference

Narendra Taneja, Chairman, Independent Energy Policy Institute

Arancha González Laya, Dean, Paris School of International Affairs

Carlos Pascual, Senior VP Geop. & Int. Affairs, S&P Global

Helima Croft, Man. Dir. & Glob. Head of Comm. Str., RBC Capit. Markets

Jonathan Black, Dist. Visit. Fellow, CGEP, Columbia University

Moderator: Elena Benaïm, Deputy Dir. for Energy Sec. and Transatlantic Lead, Atlantic Council Global Energy Center

Leadership Dialogues

🕒 15:00-15:25 📍 Room 3

Chuanwei Zhang, Founder, Chairman & CEO, Ming Yang Smart Energy

Moderator: Lynn Loo, CEO, Glob. Cent. for Maritime Decarbonisation

🕒 15:30-15:55

Rasmus Errboe, CEO & Group President, Ørsted

Moderator: Frida Layti, Business development manager, Valide



Shaping or shaking? The AI impact on energy

🕒 15:00-15:50 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Darryll Willis, Corporate VP, Energy & Resource Industry, Microsoft

Hege Skryseth, Executive VP Technology, Dig. & Innov., Equinor

Greg Jackson, Founder and CEO, Octopus Energy

Moderator: Ann Mettler, Dist. Visiting Fellow, The Centre on Global Energy Policy (CGEP)

Courage in action: delivering energy and decarbonization in a fragmented world

🕒 16:00-16:50 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Anders Opedal, President and CEO, Equinor ASA

Wael Sawan, CEO, Shell

Patrick Pouyanné, Chairman of the Board and CEO, TotalEnergies

Sylvia dos Anjos, Exec. Dir. of Exploration and Production, Petrobras

Moderator: Bjørn Otto Sverdrup, Chair, ExCom., OGCI, & HOS, OGDC

Energy future - Renewable, nuclear or something new?

🕒 16:00-16:50 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Albert Cheung, CEO, Bloomberg NEF

Rasmus Errboe, CEO & Group President, Ørsted

Andres Sutt, Minister of Energy & the Environment, Gov. of Estonia

Brooke Morrison, CEO, Solestiss

Marina Md Taib, Senior VP, PETRONAS

Moderator: Latika M. Bourke, Writer-at-Large, The Nightly

Leadership Dialogues

🕒 16:00-16:25 📍 Room 3

Øyvind Eriksen, President & CEO, Aker ASA

Moderator: Marius Lorentzen, FaTV, Finansavisen

🕒 16:30-16:55

Greg Jackson, Founder & CEO, Octopus Energy

Moderator: Ann Mettler, Dist. Visiting Fellow, CGEP



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Tuesday 25 August

10:00	Disrupting the energy trilemma: Breakthrough ideas shaping the future of energy? Innovation Award	AI and future energy need?	Leadership Dialogue
10:30			Leadership Dialogue
11:00	Break		
11:30	Secure access to critical components, minerals and energy	Capital for change: Unlocking investment in the global energy transition	Leadership Dialogue
12:00			Leadership Dialogue
12:30	Lunch		
14:00	Climate reality 2026: The truth about where we stand — and what must change	Cold realities - Resources and geopolitics in the Arctic - NUPI	Leadership Dialogue
14:30			Leadership Dialogue
15:00	Break		
15:30	Sci-fi technology/The Holy Grail technologies that could rewrite energy	War and energy/ Energy under fire	Leadership Dialogue
16:00			Leadership Dialogue

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Tuesday 25 August



Disrupting the energy trilemma: Breakthrough ideas shaping the future of energy? ONS Innovation Award

🕒 10:00-11:00 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate



Terje Aasland, Minister of Energy, The Norwegian Government

Lorenzo Simonelli, Chairman and CEO, Baker Hughes

Karl Johnny Hersvik, CEO, Aker BP

Abdellah Merad, EVP Core Services and Equipment, SLB

Moderator: Xenia Wickett, Director, Wickett Advisory

AI and future energy need?

🕒 10:00-11:00 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Muqsit Ashraf, Group Chief Executive - Strategy, Accenture

Tim Meyerjürgens, CEO, TenneT Germany

Dan Thompson, Data Center Research Director, S&P Global

Maxine Ghavi, Exec. VP & Head of Europe, Hitachi Energy

Paul Sankey, President, Sankey Research

Veronica Constantin, VP, Strat. Accts. Eur., Emerson Autom. Solutions

Moderator: Dan Thompson, Data Center Research Director, S&P Global

Leadership Dialogues

🕒 10:00-10:25 📍 Room 3

Nicolai Tangen, CEO, Norges Bank Investment Management

Moderator: Maynard Holt, Founder, & CEO, Veriten

🕒 10:30-11:00

Kirk Johnson, EVP, Global Operations and Tech. Funct., ConocoPhillips

Moderator: Maynard Holt, Founder, & CEO, Veriten





Capital for change: Unlocking investments in the global energy transition

🕒 11:30-12:30 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Narendra Taneja, Chairman, Independent Energy Policy Institute

Luz Stella Murgas, President, Naturgas

Douglas L. Peterson, Senior Advisor, DLP Advisors

Rashid Ali Abdallah, Executive Director, African Energy Commission

Moderator: Xenia Wickett, Director, Wickett Advisory

Secure access to critical components, minerals and energy

🕒 11:30-12:30 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Amani Abou-Zeid, Form. Commr. for Infr., Energy & Digitalisation, AU

Alzbeta Klein, CEO/Director General, Int. Fertilizer Association

Robert Johnston, Dir. of Energy & Natural Res. Policy, Uni. of Calgary

Andriy Kobolyev, Founder, Elektryka

Moderator: Carlos Pascual, Senior VP Geop. & Int. Affairs, S&P Global

Leadership Dialogues

🕒 11:30-11:55 📍 Room 3

Amena Bakr, Head of Middle East & OPEC+ Insights, Kpler

Moderator: Marius Lorentzen, FaTV, Finansavisen

🕒 12:00-12:30

Morten Wierod, CEO, ABB LTD

Moderator: Amrita Sen, Found. & Dir. of Market Intell., Energy Aspects





Cold realities - resources and geopolitics in the Arctic

🕒 14:00-15:00 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman, The Arctic Circle

Tatiana Mitrova, Global Fellow, CGEP, Columbia University

Thomas Emanuel Dans, Chairman, US Arctic Research Commission

Robert Johnston, Director of ENRP, University of Calgary

Kristin Ven Bruusgaard, Director, Norwegian Intelligence School

Andreas Bjelland Eriksen, Min. of Clim. and Environm., The Norw. Gov.

Moderator: Elana Wilson Rowe, Adjunct research prof., NUPI

Climate reality 2026: The truth about where we stand — and what must change

🕒 14:00-15:00 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Amrita Sen, Founder & Dir. of Market Intelligence, Energy Aspects

Patricia Espinosa Cantellano, Found. Partner & CEO, onepoint5

Valentina Kretzschmar, VP Consulting, Energy Trans. Strategy,
Upstream Carbon Management, Wood Mackenzie

Musaab M. AlMulla, VP, En. & Eco. Ins. Str. & Mkt. Analysis, Saudi Aramco

Moderator: Latika M. Bourke, Writer-at-Large, The Nightly

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🕒 14:00-14:25 📍 Room 3

Tayba Abdulrahim Al Hashmi, CEO, ADNOC OFFSHORE

Moderator: Carlos Pascual, Senior VP Geop. & Int. Affairs, S&P Global

🕒 14:30-15:00

Nick Walker, CEO, Vår Energi

Moderator: Tina Bru, Partner & Sr. Advisor, First House





Sci-fi technology/The holy grail technologies that could rewrite energy

🕒 15:30-16:30 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Heike Freund, COO, Marvel Fusion GMBH

John O'Donnell, Founder and CIO, Rondo Energy

René Rohrbeck, Dir. of Chair for Foresight, Innov. and Transformation, EDHEC Business School

Masanao Moriwaki, Sr. VP and Division GM., Hitachi GE Vernova Nuclear Energy

Moderator: Ann Mettler, Dist. Visiting Fellow, CGEP

War and energy/ Energy under fire

🕒 15:30-16:30 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Christina Verchere, CEO, OMVPetrom

Ireneusz Fafara, President of the Man. Board, CEO, ORLEN

Oleksiy Gavrysh, Ambassador, Embassy of Ukraine

Kristin Ven Bruusgaard, Director, Norwegian Intelligence School

Arancha González, Dean, Paris School of International Affairs, FNSP

Sara Akbar, CEO, Oilserv Kuwait

Moderator: Xenia Wickett, Director, Wickett Advisory

Leadership Dialogues

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Wednesday 25 August

10:00	NCS Vision 2035 - Improved Recovery Award	Financing the future energy system in Europe - Equinor/HitecVision	Energy Dialogue
10:30			Energy Dialogue
11:00	Break		
11:30	Decarbonisation in hard to abate sectors	The trust mandate: Leadership and public support for the energy transition - in coop. with BMW Foundation	Energy Dialogue
12:00			Leadership Dialogue
12:30	Lunch		
14:00	Will energy continue to shape global power games?	Leadership in an uncertain energy world	Energy Dialogue
14:30			Energy Dialogue
15:00	Break		
15:30	Beyond chaos: Courage to build a sustainable, secure and affordable energy system	Energy addition, transition or substitution?	Leadership Dialogue
16:00			

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Financing the future energy system in Europe

-In coop. with Equinor and HitecVision

🕒 10:00-11:00 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Torgrim Reitan, Executive VP and CFO, Equinor

Erlend Basmo Ellingsen, Man. Partner and CEO, HitecVision Advisory

Kristina Kostial, Acting Dir. IMF's European Dpt., Int. Monetary Fund

Christian Bruch, President and CEO, Siemens Energy

Moderator: Paul Wheeler, Head of Int. Energy & VC, Inv. Bank, Jefferies

NCS Vision 2035 - Improved Recovery Award



🕒 10:00-11:00 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Bijan Mossavar-Rahmani, Executive Chairman, DNO Norge

Torgeir Stordal, Director General, Norwegian Offshore Directorate

Kjetil Hove, Executive VP, Exploration & Production Norway, Equinor

Kjetil Digre, President & CEO, Aker Solutions

Anastasia Polymeni, Prin. Anal., Expl. Scout, Upstream Int., S&P Global

Moderator: Tina Bru, Partner & Sr. Advisor, First House

Energy Dialogues

🕒 10:00-10:25 📍 Room 3

Nobuo Tanaka, Dist. Fellow, The Institute of Energy Economics Japan

Moderator: Eirik Wærness, Acting EVP & Chief Econ., De Beers Group

🕒 10:30-11:00

Mark McCrory, Director for Policy & Analysis, International Gas Union

Xavier Rousseau, Dir. Strategic Studies, Snam

Moderator: Pål Rasmussen, Corp. Head of Ext. Relations, Gassco

The trust mandate: Leadership and public support

for the energy transition -In coop. with BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt

🕒 11:30-12:30 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Sunita Narain, Dir. Gen., Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)

David Hochschild, Chair, California Energy Commission

Vaclav Smil, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, University of Manitoba

Birgitte Ringstad Vartdal, President & CEO, Statkraft AS

Michael Shanks, Min. of State, Dpt. for Energy Sec. and Net Zero, UK

Moderator: Ali Aslan, International Moderator



Decarbonisation in hard to abate sectors

🕒 11:30-12:30 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Anko van der Werff, CEO, SAS

Marco Richrath, CEO, thyssenkrupp Steel Europe AG

Morten Bo Christiansen, Sen. VP, Energy Transition, A.P. Moller Maersk

Alfredo Parres, Head of Renewables, Group Senior VP, Hitachi Energy

Moderator: Lynn Loo, CEO, Glob. Centre for Maritime Decarbonisation

Energy & Leadership Dialogues

🕒 11:30-11:55 📍 Room 3

Yao Li, Founder & CEO, SIA Energy

Moderator: Sverre Alvik, VP and Energy Transition Director, DNV

🕒 12:00-12:30

Tatiana Mitrova, Global Fellow CGEP, Columbia University

Robert Johnston, Dir. of Energy and Nat. Resources, Univ. of Calgary

Leadership in an uncertain energy world

🕒 14:00-15:00 📍 Room 1 - Roundtable

Nigel Hearne, CEO, Harbour Energy Plc

Elisabeth Berntsen Gardum, P&O Business Partner, Aker BP

Xenia Wickett, Director, Wickett Advisory

Oleksii Riabchyn, Chief Intern. and Sust. Officer, Naftogaz of Ukraine

Moderator: Ali Aslan, International Moderator

Energy Dialogues

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Vaclav Smil, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, University of Manitoba

Moderator: Eirik Wærness, Act. EVP & Chief Econom., De Beers Group

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Pietro Mendes, Director, ANP

Maggy Shino, Petroleum Commiss., Namibia Min. of Mines & Energy

Moderator: Torgeir Stordal, Dir. Gral., Norwegian Offshore Directorate



Will energy continue to shape global power games?

🕒 14:00-15:00 📍 Room 2 - Panel Debate

Khalifa Abdulsadek, Min. of Oil & Gas in Libya, Board member, NOC

Nick Butler, Visiting Professor, King's College London

Amena Bakr, Head of Middle East & OPEC+ Insights, Kpler

Elena Benaim, Dep. Dir., Energy Sec. and Transatlantic Lead, Atlantic Council Global Energy Center

Moderator: Carlos Pascual, Senior VP Geop. & Int. Affairs, S&P Global

Energy addition, transition or substitution?

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Moderator: Jarand Rystad, CEO, Rystad Energy

Beyond chaos: Courage to build a sustainable, secure and affordable energy system

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Elisabeth Vardheim, CEO, Statnett

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Douglas L. Peterson, Senior Advisor, DLP Advisors

Luz Stella Murgas, President, Naturgas

Anne Leer, Chief AI Policy Officer, Sovereign AI

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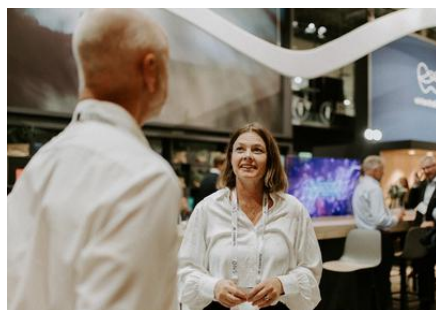
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