

## **RIIO-ED2 Challenge Group Members Biographies**

Roger Witcomb was Panel Chair of the Competition and Markets Authority from 2014 to 2016, where he chaired the market investigation into Energy. From 2011 to 2014, he was Chairman of the Competition Commission (CC), having been a CC Member since 2009. He was a non-executive director of Anglian Water from 2002 to 2010 and Finance Director of National Power from 1996 to 2000, having previously been at BP and Cambridge University, where he taught economics. From 2006 to 2011 he was Chair of Governors of the University of Winchester.
Clare Potter is a former solicitor with extensive experience of competition and regulation in the commercial and public sectors. Until January 2019 Clare was a member of the Competition Appeal Tribunal (CAT). She was also a public member of Network Rail from 2010 to 2015. Clare was Chief Legal Adviser to the Competition Commission from 2004 until May 2010. Prior to joining the Commission she practised as a competition partner in a City firm where she specialised in energy and telecoms regulation.
Bob Hull has over 30 years' experience in energy and utilities in the UK and worldwide. He was a Managing Director with Ofgem, and held Director roles with National Grid and consultancy firm KPMG. He has broad sector experience, ranging from leading international investment campaigns to implementing new regulatory regimes. He founded Riverswan Energy Advisory in 2017 and advises clients worldwide on strategic, regulatory and commercial issues relating to the energy transition. He also holds several non-executive roles, and serves as a member of Ofgem's Electricity System Operator Performance Panel. He is a Chartered Electrical Engineer and MBA graduate.
Helen Parker held a number of senior executive roles at Which?, Europe's largest independent consumer organisation. These included being Editorial Director, Policy Director and finally Deputy CEO. She now has a portfolio of roles related to consumer empowerment and protection. These include being a Non-Executive Director of the Financial Services Compensation Scheme and a Committee Member of Healthwatch England, the independent consumer champion for users of health and social care. She is also a member of Aegon's Independent Governance Committee, responsible for challenging the company on the value for money offered to its 2 million workplace pension customers.



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Rosamund Blomfield-Smith is an experienced non-executive, currently on the board of the Museum of London Archaeology and Osbit, a fast-growing engineering company. She also chairs an Independent Advisory Group at Ofcom. Recent non-executive roles include Thames Water, where she was a director for almost ten years; Moat Homes, a substantial housing association which she chaired for six years;, British Empire Securities, a FTSE 250 quoted investment trust; the Wales Audit Office; Green Investment Bank Financial Services; the National Rivers Authority; WaterAid; Monmouth Citizen's Advice Bureau (which she chaired) and a wide variety of other non-executive
roles. Prior to become non-executive, Rosamund spent almost thirty years in the City in both project and corporate finance. After Morgan Grenfell and sixteen years at Schroders, she served as joint head of Utilities Corporate Finance at N.M. Rothschild and Sons for 5 years and subsequently the same role at ING Barings. Her final role in the City was as head of Corporate Finance at Arbuthnot Latham.
Jo-Jo Hubbard specialises in digital transformation and the distributed grid. She started her energy career in asset financing for renewable projects during the first inflection point of wind and solar, before transitioning into batteries, smart grid technology and Cleantech VC. Frustrated by the lack of route to market for new distributed technologies, she then joined McKinsey as a strategy consultant with a focus on digital transformation, and went on to co-found Electron. Jo-Jo is committed to enabling the next phase of the energy transition: the integration of renewables and smart assets; the creation of efficient, inclusive markets; and the creation of cheaper, cleaner, more resilient energy systems for everyone.
Goran Strbac is a Professor of Energy Systems at Imperial College London, with extensive experience in advanced modelling and analysis of operation, planning, security and economics of energy infrastructures. He has led the development of novel approaches and methodologies for advanced whole-energy system analysis and market design that have been extensively used to inform industry, governments and regulatory bodies about the role and value of emerging new technologies and systems in supporting cost effective evolution to smart and secure low carbon future.
He actively participated in a number of steering and advisory committees, academic panels and expert groups supporting EU and UK Government and Regulatory bodies and International Professional Associations. He is currently a member of the IPPC Working Group III, Panel of Technical Experts for EMR, Smart System Forum and participates in working groups of International Energy Agency and European Technology & Innovation Platforms.



Stuart Bailey is the former Group Head of Sustainability for National Grid with a strong understanding of the challenges and implications of the transition to a low carbon economy with experience in energy storage, smart networks and renewable generation. He is Chartered Engineer with over 30 years' experience in the technical and commercial aspects of owning and operating networks. He has held posts as Network Design Manager and Technical Policy Manager for National Grid with responsibility for the technical aspects, including reinforcement requirements and standards, of the interface between Distribution Companies and National Grid. Currently, Stuart is an independent consultant providing advice on sustainable energy strategy and solutions.
James Richardson has been Chief Economist at the National Infrastructure Commission since April 2016. The NIC is an independent body, providing expert advice to the Government on pressing infrastructure issues. James heads the NIC secretariat's economics team and led on production of the UK's first ever National Infrastructure Assessment, an in-depth assessment of the UK's major infrastructure needs on a 30-year time horizon. Prior to this, James was Director, Fiscal and Deputy Chief Economic Adviser at HM Treasury. He was responsible for advising on the fiscal stance, fiscal risks and the fiscal framework. James was Director, Public Spending and Chief Microeconomist at HM Treasury from September 2008 to July 2012. He ran Spending Review 2010 and led on reforms to public service pensions, following Lord Hutton's independent report. James has a PhD in economics from the London School of Economics (LSE).
Andy Manning currently leads the Energy, Networks and Systems team at Citizens Advice. The team seeks to ensure that consumers receive the services they require from the energy network companies at good value for money, and that the energy system works well for consumers. Andy has worked in the energy industry for over 20 years. Before joining Citizens Advice, he worked for Centrica and RWEnpower where he held a variety of senior commercial and regulatory roles, mainly focused on network regulation and system governance. Andy is also the chair of the Electricity System Operator's RIIO stakeholder group.