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**MER UK FORUM MEETING**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019**

**Agenda**

- Welcome and Introductions
- MER UK
- Supply Chain
- Energy Transition
- Decommissioning
- AOB & Close

**Welcome and Introductions**

- Andy Samuel opened the meeting, he thanked everyone for their attendance and welcomed The RT Hon Kwasi Kwarteng to his First MER UK Forum and welcomed back Paul Wheelhouse.
- The RT Hon Kwasi Kwarteng and Paul Wheelhouse gave opening remarks.

**MER UK & Roadmap 2035**

- Deirdre Michie gave an overview of MER UK and Vision 2035 and covered the following topics.
  - Importance of the oil and gas industry to the UK economy
  - The oil and gas industry has improved its competitiveness and this needs to be maintained
  - The supply chain is still under pressure
  - Wells Task Force
  - Roadmap 2035
  - Technology
  - BREXIT

## **Supply Chain**

- Stuart Payne opened this topic highlighting the importance of the supply chain the following discussions covered:
  - The Supply Chain Task Force
  - The Exports Conference held in Aberdeen, June 2019.
  - The global underwater hub including the current status and next steps

## **Energy Transition**

- Andy Samuel opened the discussion on energy transition, which included:
  - The case for change
  - Carbon capture and storage
  - Industry interest and activity, examples were provided, it was agreed a lot of work is being done in this area but this is not widely shared
  - Opportunities ahead

## **Decommissioning**

- Neil McCulloch lead the decommissioning discussion and covered:
  - The challenge – highly complex, large scale engineering task
  - Cost summary and progress made towards the industry target of reducing the costs by 35%
  - The opportunities and risks

## **AOB**

- There was no AOB
- Andy Samuel thanked everyone for their contribution to the discussions.