

PGES Summer Reception

On 9th July, BCECA Chair, Dave Gibson, and CEO, Tracey Shelley, attended the All Party Parliamentary Group for Energy Studies' Summer Reception at the House of Commons' Terrace. The keynote speaker at the event, sponsored by AlfaEnergy, was World Energy Council Secretary General Christoph Frei. He spoke about the most significant events shaping energy over the past 100 years, since the WEC's formation. He then detailed the current challenges facing the energy sector, including climate change, geopolitics, innovation acceleration, electrification and molecule greening, before looking ahead at what must be delivered in the next 50 years to succeed in achieving the carbon emission reduction objectives.



Off-payroll Working Legislation Update

On 11th July, the Government published its response to its consultation on the reform of off-payroll working rules (IR35) for the private sector, along with draft legislation.

HMRC are seeking views on the draft legislation by 5 September 2019. BCECA will co-ordinate the views of its Members at a meeting at the end of August in order to submit a response on behalf of the sector by the deadline date.

Guidance on the reformed rules will be available from summer 2019 and HMRC will be rolling out support and guidance for affected organisations. This will include education events such as webinars and workshops and one to one engagement with the largest employers. HMRC are also making enhancements to the Check Employment Status for Tax (CEST) tool, which are expected to be delivered before the end of 2019.

The draft legislation, explanatory note and summary response document can be found on gov.uk <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/off-payroll-working-rules-from-april-2020>.

Forthcoming BCECA Meetings

27th Aug	Industry Days WG Mtg	17th Sept	BCECA Board
28th Aug	IR35 Implementation follow-up Mtg	19th Sept	Young Engineers
11th Sept	Project Services	25th Sept	DS&E