THE QUESTIONNAIRE
SHAPE ENERGY Call for Evidence

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SHAPE ENERGY – Social sciences and Humanities for Advancing Policy in European Energy – represents a new €2m European platform for energy-related Social Sciences and Humanities (energy-SSH) research. Energy-SSH has played less of a role to date in shaping (European) energy policy than Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines and, as such, the SHAPE ENERGY platform aims to develop Europe’s interdisciplinary expertise in using and applying energy-SSH.

The two-year SHAPE ENERGY project began in February 2017 and is coordinated by Anglia Ruskin University (UK). As part of its initial scoping work, this Call for Evidence aims to identify current understandings and future priorities from a wide range of research, policy and practitioner communities across Europe. As such, this call is not solely intended for energy-SSH researchers; we are keen to engage with energy-STEM and non-energy-SSH researchers – as well as those from policy, industry and beyond – who may be keen to utilise energy-SSH research in the future.

This Call for Evidence is primarily intended for those working in the European Union and other Horizon 2020 associated countries: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Faroe Islands, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Kingdom, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

This call is intentionally designed to be easy to do (only four core questions, 5-10mins). Responses will be anonymised and made publicly available free-of-charge in summer 2017 (via www.shapeenergy.eu - not yet launched). There will also be an accompanying SHAPE ENERGY reflective summary, on the basis of those responses.

Should you have any queries about this Call for Evidence (or the SHAPE ENERGY project more widely), please contact chris.foulds@anglia.ac.uk and rosie.robison@anglia.ac.uk. You are free to withdraw within two weeks of completion by emailing these addresses.

☐ Please tick to confirm you understand information submitted to this call will be anonymised and made publicly available online.

☐ Please tick to confirm you are at least 18 years old.

☐ Data Protection: Please tick to confirm you understand that data may be shared with SHAPE ENERGY partners, some of whom are based outside the EU, but all of whom are contractually bound to abide by EU data protection law. Personal data will be held for a maximum of 2 years after the end of the project (i.e. up to 31 January 2021), after which time it will be destroyed.
Professional details

Name: 

Email address: 

Gender (please tick):
- Male
- Female
- Other

Job title: 

Organisation name: 

Organisation type (please tick):
- Academic
- Policy
- Industry
- Non-Governmental Organisation
- Citizen
- Other (please state:)

Country (where your organisation is based): 

Which disciplines would you say you represent (e.g. Economics, History, Sociology)? If more than one, please rank: 

The SHAPE ENERGY platform's work covers four, broad, energy topics. Please indicate which, if any, your work aligns to (you can select more than one):
- Energy efficiency and using less
- Competitive, secure, low-carbon energy supply
- Energy system optimisation and smart technologies
- Transport sector decarbonisation
- Other (please state:)
Current landscape for interdisciplinary energy research

1. In what ways do you think research from across the Social Sciences and Humanities is contributing to energy policy priorities?


Supporting future interdisciplinary energy research

We welcome your ideas in this section - e.g. in the context of topic area(s) you are working in, such as 'transport sector decarbonisation' - but possible areas for reflection may include: recognition of certain disciplinary differences; metrics for evaluating research excellence; peer review/publishing processes; policy-research interactions; funding expectations; etc.

2a. If you are working broadly within the energy-related Social Sciences and Humanities: how could novel energy-SSH research be best supported?


2b. If you are not working broadly within the energy-related Social Sciences and Humanities: how would you like to engage with energy-SSH in the future and is there anything that could help with this?

Priorities for future interdisciplinary energy research

3. Looking beyond the EU Horizon 2020 funding programme (thus 2021 onwards), what are the main energy challenges that should be given more funding?
4. Are there any relevant networks, professional associations, large projects or even individuals that you think may be interested in the SHAPE ENERGY project? Please note your involvement in these, if appropriate.

Additional comments

Please use this space to tell us anything else that you think we should take note of.
Keeping in touch

You may be interested to stay in touch with us. For instance, over the next two years, SHAPE ENERGY will be running: 18 multi-stakeholder workshops across Europe; Horizon 2020 sandpits; a PhD summer school; PhD secondments to Horizon 2020 energy projects; funding for collaborative think pieces; funding for an innovative ‘research design challenge’; and online policymaker-citizen debates. We will also be publishing various reviews of the energy-SSH research landscape, including the outputs from this call.

☐ Please tick if you do NOT want to included on the SHAPE ENERGY mailing list.

☐ Please tick if you WOULD NOT be willing to be contacted to undertake an informal follow-up interview on these themes (by phone).

☐ Please tick if you WOULD NOT like your organisation (or name, if no organisation) to be included in the acknowledgements of SHAPE ENERGY outputs (not associated with individual responses).

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