

Fracking licences issued for beauty spots under "exceptional circumstances"

SMi's 5th Shale Gas Environmental Summit, 27-28 Oct, provides the ideal platform for industry experts to discuss the impacts during extraction & production

LONDON, SOUTHWARK, UNITED KINGDOM, August 4, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The UK government is keen to promote <u>fracking</u> in the UK, and has already announced a number of incentives to help kick-start the industry. Fracking licences can only be issued for beauty spots in "exceptional circumstances", according to new rules issued by the government. It said the regulations for the new bidding round for licenses - the first in six years - are stricter than before. And companies applying to frack near beauty spots will have additional obligations.



But some environmental campaigners say the new rules are not tough enough.

Planning permission may be granted in National Parks, the Broads and Areas of Outstanding

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Against this backdrop, this year's timely <u>Shale Gas</u> <u>Environmental Summit</u> will feature exclusive sessions by the the Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, FTI

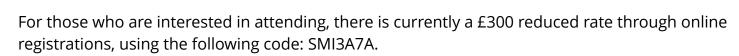
Consulting and Plexus Energy on 'public engagement', to provide insight into:

- The analysis and approaches utilized across key countries
- in the EU (Poland, Ukraine, Germany and the UK)
- The issues and barriers to shale gas development
- ... and how to break down the barriers

This is just a snippet of what will be covered. This year's event will provide the ideal platform for various industry representatives including operators, environmentalists, campaigners, NGOs, academics and researchers to come together and discuss the environmental aspects of shale gas extraction and production. Other speakers will include the Environment Agency, Plexus Energy, UKOOG, RSPB, Water UK, Bath and North East Somerset Council, No Hot Air, MWH Global, British Geological Survey plus many more.

Key Discussions

- How do we monitor and enforce the regulations?
- Does the UK need more rigid laws for fracking?
- What are the resulting impacts on climate change and wildlife?
- What are the impacts on water?



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