

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD
MATHEMATICAL PHYSICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES DIVISION

Director of Energy Research

General description of the role

The University of Oxford is a leader in energy research in the UK and globally. It aims to expand energy research, in particular to address the need for decarbonisation of energy.

The Director of Energy Research will provide leadership and coordination for energy research in the university, including through the university's Energy Network of energy researchers, with particular attention to strategic opportunities and inter-departmental links and activities.

The Director can be based in any department, but will link to energy research across the university.

Key duties and responsibilities

The Director of Energy Research will be supported by the Steering Group of the Energy Network and report to the Head of MPLS Division.

The Director of Energy will:

1. Provide leadership in energy research across the university, supporting the MPLS Head of Division on cross-divisional research activities and initiatives, and working with the other Oxford Networks for the Environment to promote Oxford's environmental research.
2. Develop long-term objectives and plans to sustain and develop energy research, coordinating with relevant colleagues, including the MPLS industrial partnerships team.
3. Convene the energy research community within Oxford and manage the Coordinator of the Oxford Energy Network.
4. Foster outside links to strengthen Oxford's energy research, including with industry, potential donors and other funders.

They will also attend and set the agenda for the Steering Group of the Oxford Energy Network.

Terms and conditions

- The Director will be expected to work flexibly to deliver the duties set out above
- A teaching buyout or other compensation arrangement commensurate with the requirements of this role and of the Director's substantive post will be agreed
- It is expected that the appointment will run for a 3 year period from 1 October 2020.