

NORTH SEA 2026: DELIVERING MULTI-ENERGY PERFORMANCE AT SCALE

2026 Marks 10 Years of Topsides UK

The North Sea is entering the most consequential decade in its history. In 2026, the basin is no longer defined solely by oil and gas production - it is becoming a fully integrated multi-energy system where hydrocarbons, carbon storage, offshore wind, hydrogen, and electrification must coexist, reinforce one another, and deliver measurable performance improvements. Topsides engineering sits at the centre of this transformation.

Topsides UK 2026 brings together the operators, engineers, innovators, and supply chain leaders who will shape this new era. The conference focuses on the practical realities of delivering safe, efficient, low-emissions operations while enabling the infrastructure required for large-scale CCS, electrification, and clean energy integration. This is not a theoretical transition; it is a technical, commercial, and regulatory shift that demands new capabilities, new partnerships, and new performance standards.

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The North Sea Transition Authority's 2026 priorities -carbon storage expansion, emissions reduction, responsible production, decommissioning excellence, and data transparency - set a clear direction. The challenge now is execution.

- ✓ How do we design topsides that are CCS-ready?
- ✓ How do we electrify assets at scale?
- ✓ How do we reduce methane and CO₂ emissions to near-zero while maintaining production efficiency?
- ✓ How do we optimise Platform, Infrastructure, potential Subsea Tiebacks & Well Decommissioning performance and build a supply chain capable of supporting both late-life assets and emerging clean-energy infrastructure?

This year's theme, **"Delivering Multi-Energy Performance at Scale,"** captures the urgency and ambition of this moment. It reflects the industry's shift from planning to doing, and from strategy to delivery. It recognises that the **North Sea's future depends on engineering excellence, operational discipline, and the ability to integrate new technologies into complex, ageing assets.**

Topsides UK 2026 will showcase real projects, real lessons learned, and real performance breakthroughs. It will highlight the operators and suppliers who are setting new benchmarks in emissions reduction, digitalisation, decommissioning efficiency, and cross-sector innovation. And it will provide a platform for the workforce and supply chain to understand where the opportunities lie as the basin evolves into a multi-energy powerhouse.



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The North Sea is changing fast. The companies that succeed will be those that embrace this shift, engineer for it, and deliver at scale. Topsides UK 2026 is where that future takes shape.

Topsides UK invites authors to submit papers for the 2026 conference, which will explore how the North Sea is evolving into a fully integrated multi energy basin. As the industry accelerates carbon storage, electrification, emissions reduction, and late life performance, topsides engineering is at the centre of this transformation.

The 2026 programme will showcase practical, technical, and operational insights that help operators and suppliers deliver measurable performance improvements across oil & gas, CCS, offshore wind, and hydrogen. We welcome papers that demonstrate innovation, real world application, lessons learned, and cross sector collaboration.



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What Are We Looking For?

The conference committee invites professionals from across the industry to submit a 200-word abstract for either a 20-minute presentation or a 5-minute TechByte session.

Submit your abstract by Friday 3rd July [using this link](#).

Submissions are encouraged for, but not limited to, the following themes:

CCS READY TOPSIDES & SUBSURFACE INTEGRATION

Design, modification, and operational strategies enabling large scale carbon storage, including injection systems, monitoring, integrity, and brownfield adaptation.

ELECTRIFICATION OF OFFSHORE ASSETS

Design, modification, and operational strategies enabling large scale carbon storage, including injection systems, monitoring, integrity, and brownfield adaptation.

METHANE & CO₂ EMISSIONS REDUCTION TECHNOLOGIES

Design, modification, and operational strategies enabling large scale carbon storage, including injection systems, monitoring, integrity, and brownfield adaptation.

DECOMMISSIONING EFFICIENCY & P&A INNOVATION

New methods, tooling, contracting models, and benchmarking insights that reduce cost, risk, and schedule in well P&A and infrastructure removal.

BROWNFIELD LIFE EXTENSION, ASSET INTEGRITY AND EFFICIENT MAINTENANCE IN A DECLINING BASIN

Integrity management, reliability engineering, and operational excellence in a declining basin.

HYDROGEN & MULTI ENERGY INTEGRATION

Engineering implications of hydrogen production, blending, transport, and co location with existing infrastructure.

SUPPLY CHAIN CAPABILITY FOR A MULTI ENERGY BASIN

Scaling capacity, cross sector collaboration, contracting models, and technology transfer across oil & gas, CCS, and offshore wind.

REGULATORY EXPECTATIONS & COMPLIANCE EXCELLENCE

Practical guidance on meeting NSTA's 2026 priorities, including emissions, data, responsible production, and CCS licensing requirements.

WORKFORCE TRANSITION & COMPETENCY DEVELOPMENT

Skills frameworks, training pathways, and real examples of workforce mobility across energy sectors.



Topsides 2026 Sponsorship Packages

The organisers of Topsides UK, SPE Aberdeen, is a not-for-profit organisation with a commitment to supporting the offshore energy industry through:

- Promoting the exchange of practical knowledge and experience in topsides operations, maintenance and asset integrity
- Supporting professional development across engineering and operational disciplines
- Creating opportunities for collaboration between operators and the supply chain
- Encouraging education, outreach and the development of future talent

Sponsorship plays an important role in ensuring Topsides UK remains an accessible and valuable forum for the industry. It allows us to deliver a high-quality, operator-focused event while continuing to reinvest in industry initiatives and support the next generation of professionals.

For general event queries, or to enquire about sponsorship or exhibition space, contact aberdeen.events@spe-uk.org.



SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITION OPPORTUNITIES

PLATINUM SPONSOR £5,600 + VAT

- Prime positioning of company branding across all event materials including website, abstracts flyer, conference programme, conference slides and abstracts book.
- Place on the technical committee.
- Exhibition Stand.
- Social media input – provide content for 2 posts prior to event.
- Opportunity to display pop-up banners in conference room (to be supplied by sponsor)
- 5 x delegate passes

EVENT SPONSOR £3,500 + VAT

- Company branding across all event materials including website, abstracts flyer, conference programme, conference slides and abstracts book.
- Exhibition Stand.
- Social media input – provide content for a post prior to event.
- Opportunity to display pop-up banners in conference room (to be supplied by sponsor)
- 3 x delegate passes

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- Company branding across all event materials including website, abstracts flyer, conference programme, conference slides and abstracts book.
- Logo on lanyards (to be provided by sponsor, or can be sourced at a cost)
- Opportunity to display a pop-up banner beside the registration desk throughout the event (to be supplied by sponsor)
- Social media input – provide content for a post prior to event.
- 3 x delegate passes

NETWORKING RECEPTION SPONSOR

£2,500 + VAT

- Company branding across all event materials including website, abstracts flyer, conference programme, conference slides and abstracts book.
- Opportunity to display a pop-up banner during Networking Reception (to be supplied by sponsor)
- Social media input – provide content for a post prior to event.
- 2 x delegate passes

EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONALS SUPPORTER

£2,000 + VAT

- Logo to appear on event materials including website, abstracts flyer, conference programme, conference slides and abstracts book.
- Fund x5 Early Career Professionals to attend Conference

EVENT SUPPORTER £1,500 + VAT

- Logo appear on event materials including website, abstracts flyer, conference programme, conference slides and abstracts book.
- 1 x delegate pass for conference

EXHIBITION STAND £1,200 + VAT

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- 3m x 2m space with conference table and x2 chairs
- 1 x delegate pass

