

Advocacy and impact intern – job description



About Regen



We are entering perhaps the most important decade in human history. Over the next ten years we have to turn the tide on carbon emissions.



Merlin Hyman , chief executive of Regen

Regen's mission is to support and accelerate the transformation of the energy system to a zero carbon future. We have a strong track record of influencing policy and markets to drive renewable energy generation, cut energy demand and shift to a smarter energy future. However, given the scale of the challenge, we know we now need to step up our work and our impact on key energy policies and markets.

Established in 2003, Regen is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee, owned by its membership of over 150 organisations at the forefront of the energy transition. We have an expert team of 25 committed people based at our office in Exeter.



Our approach



Mission led: Everything Regen does is about the transition to clean energy to combat climate change. We are owned by our members and have no shareholders to keep happy, so we can work where we think we can have the greatest impact – from developing models of the future energy system to underpin policy and investment decisions, to supporting community energy groups.



At the heart of the energy sector: Regen is at the heart of a network of organisations working to transform our energy system. With over 150 member organisations, management of the Electricity Storage Network, a pioneering network promoting diversity and some of the leading events in the industry, this is a unique place to develop your skills, networks and profile.



A unique place to work: Regen is built on a shared commitment by a team of talented people to make an impact. Our culture is based on trusting and empowering our team and challenging ourselves to do excellent work that drives forward our mission.

Our work

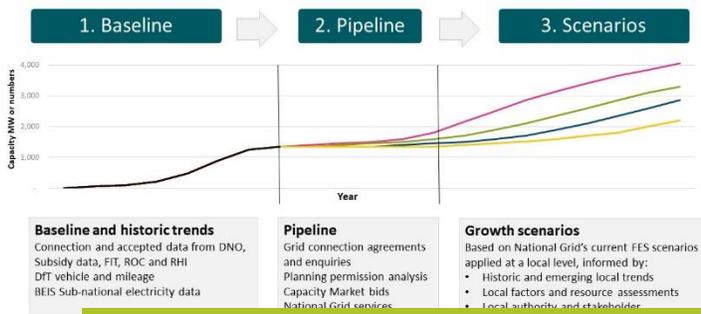


Regen strategy is based on cutting-edge energy expertise, market insight and analysis capability. Our mission-led status enables us to work closely with organisations that are at the forefront of the energy industry transformation to shape future policy, develop new markets and to exploit technology innovation.

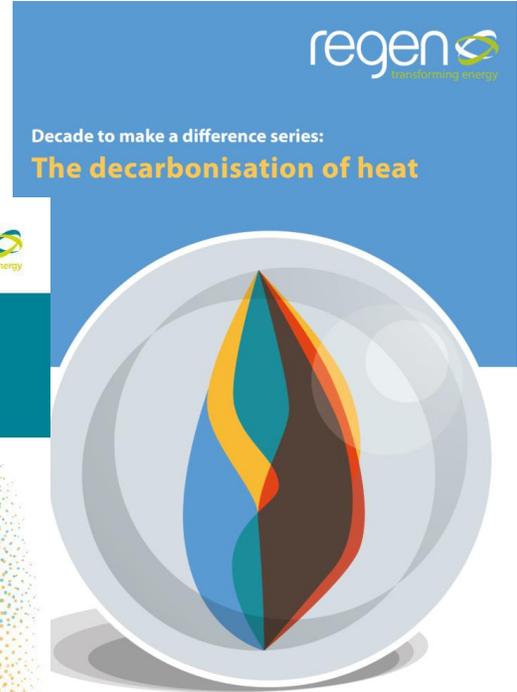
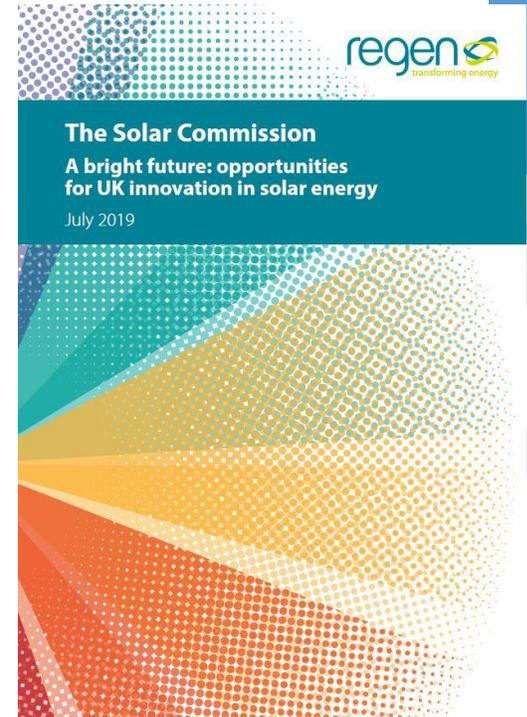


EWiRE paper launch at the House of Lords

Distribution FES scenarios methodology



Distribution Future Energy Scenarios



The role: Advocacy and impact intern



We now have a vacancy for an advocacy and impact intern. This role is designed to expand our external communications activities and increase our reach, organisational impact and influence, to transform our energy system. Joining Regen's networks and policy team, who also run the Electricity Storage Network (ESN), you'll have a passion and commitment for understanding and communicating complex information in digestible formats and be driven by making an impact.

What you'll be doing:

- To assist in externally focused communications and publicity programmes, working closely with the team and head of networks, expected to include – though not limited to – events, news stories, blogs, video content, publications, stakeholder engagement activities and policy inputs, delivered through a variety of existing and potential new channels.
- To support on developing and maintaining Regen's communication tools to ensure activities are reaching the right people.
- To coordinate and facilitate Regen and ESN's input into key policy consultations, working closely with colleagues to draw out key messages and assisting colleagues in drafting policy responses.

More about the role



- Supporting the Regen team, enabling them to effectively fulfil their external representational roles and build positive, influential relationships with stakeholders and target audiences.
- Assisting in increasing the reach and impact of Regen and ESN's outputs, including social media activities.
- Supporting liaison with press and other media, taking a targeted approach to publicising Regen and ESN's work, including drafting and issuing articles and press releases, alongside building and sustaining relations with key media as required to meet external communications strategic priorities.
- To work closely with the Regen team to ensure we are communicating effectively with key national opinion-formers, MPs and officials.

About you



Your approach:

- The kind of attitude and approach that suits a knowledge-based, dynamic environment with a culture of continuous improvement.
- A confident and personable manner, and ability to build relationships in person, via email and over the phone.
- The ability to deal with the day-to-day detail of the role, whilst understanding our big-picture objectives.
- Strong self-motivation and initiative, ability to work with limited supervision.
- An interest in the detail of public policy and decarbonising the energy system.

Your skills and abilities:

- Excellent copy-writing and editing skills, with the ability to produce clear, concise and stimulating text for a range of audiences.
- Excellent attention to detail and a commitment to quality.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to produce technical or non-technical summaries of complex issues.
- Knowledge and interest in UK politics.
- Experience in advocacy and communications.

Salary and benefits



Job title: Advocacy and impact intern

Location: Exeter / Remote working

Reports to: Head of networks and development

Salary: £356.00 per week - Regen pays interns the Real Living Wage which is £9.50 an hour in 2021.

As part of our policy to ensure roles are open to diverse candidates we have also introduced a relocation payment of £750 to all interns when they start.

Contract: 6 months, with potential to lead to a permanent post

Employee benefits

- 25 days paid holiday, increasing in annual increments to a maximum of 30 days (+ bank holidays)
- Flexible working
- Cycle to work scheme
- Interest-free rail season ticket loans
- Childcare vouchers
- Enhanced maternity leave
- 6% employer pension contribution
- Continuing professional development plan for all employees

Application



Interested candidates should send a CV with a covering letter outlining their suitability for the role, interest in energy and why they wish to work for Regen, to Katrina Jackson kjackson@regen.co.uk by 03 January 2021.

Due to the volume of applications, candidates will be notified to confirm their application has been received, only shortlisted candidates will be notified of the interviews taking place from the week commencing 18 January 2021.

Regen is an equal opportunities employer and we encourage applications from those who identify as women, disabled or Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic candidates, as these groups are underrepresented in our industry currently.

Discover more about Regen

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The Solar Commission

A bright future: opportunities for UK innovation in solar energy

July 2019




The stalled deployment of onshore wind in England in 2019

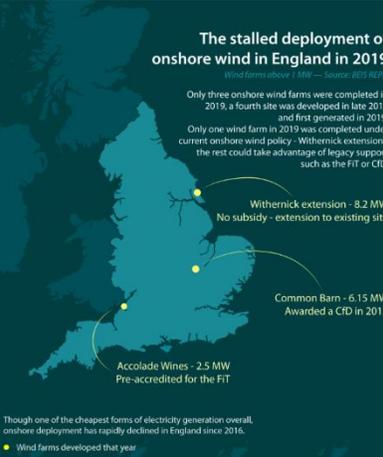
Wind farms above 1 MW — Source: BEIS REPD

Only three onshore wind farms were completed in 2019, a fourth site was developed in late 2018 and first generated in 2019. Only one wind farm in 2019 was completed under current onshore wind policy - Withernick extension - the rest could take advantage of legacy support such as the FIT or CfD.

- Withernick extension - 8.2 MW
No subsidy - extension to existing site
- Common Barn - 6.15 MW
Awarded a CfD in 2015
- Accolade Wines - 2.5 MW
Pre-accredited for the FIT

Though one of the cheapest forms of electricity generation overall, onshore deployment has rapidly declined in England since 2016.

- Wind farms developed that year



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Graphic by Frankie Mayo for Regen

	Awel Aman Tawe Community owned by local community	Pen Y Cymoedd Privately owned by Iwerthk, Swedish wind farm developer
Size:	4.7 MW 2 turbines	228 MW 76 turbines
Project cost:	£ 8.2m	£ 400m
Community fund over lifetime of project	£ 3m	£ 34.2m
Community fund (£ per MW)	£ 638k	£ 150k
Local jobs	3	23
FTE jobs created (per MW)	0.64	0.1
FTE jobs created (per £m invested)	0.36	0.06

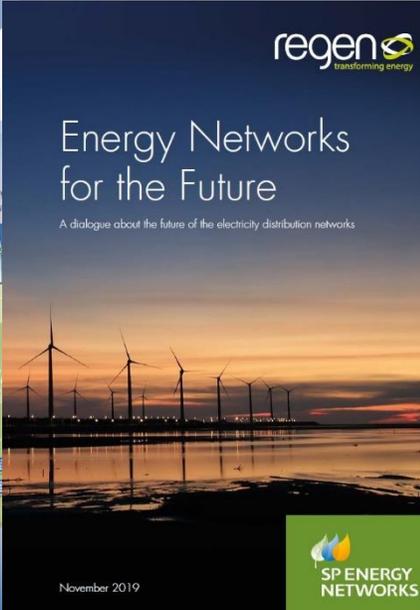


Energy Generation in Wales 2018




Energy Networks for the Future

A dialogue about the future of the electricity distribution networks



November 2019




Decade to make a difference series: The decarbonisation of heat

