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TOM FIDJELAND
CEO, GCE NODE

Tom Fidjeland is CEO of Global Center of Expertise NODE. Prior to joining GCE NODE Fidjeland was CEO of Cameron Sense in Kristiansand and held a leading position in Cameron Houston. He also has 20 years of experience from National Oilwell Varco as Vice President Drilling Equipment Engineering.

Fidjeland holds a master's degree in technical cybernetics from the Norwegian University of Science & Technology and an Advanced Management Program from Harvard Business School.



LEIF JOHAN SEVLAND
PRESIDENT & CEO, ONS

Leif Johan Sevland is President & CEO of ONS. Between 1995 and 2011, he was the Mayor of the City of Stavanger. Sevland has extensive political experience from the Conservative Party (Høyre) in Norway.

Sevland has a degree in social studies from the University of Stavanger.



TINA BRU
NORWEGIAN MINISTER OF
PETROLEUM AND ENERGY

Ms. Tina Bru was appointed Minister of Petroleum and Energy on 24 January 2020. Bru is a member of the Norwegian parliament (Stortinget) for the Conservative Party (Høyre) from Rogaland county (elected 2013 and 2017). Until her appointment, Bru was a member of the parliament's Standing Committee on Energy and the Environment. Bru is married, has one child and lives in Stavanger.

Bru holds a bachelor degree in management from BI Stavanger. Her political background include several roles in Norwegian Young Conservatives party and as an elected representative to Stavanger City Council (2007-2012) and Rogaland County Council (2011-2013) before she was elected to the parliament in 2013.

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NICK BUTLER
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Butler is a visiting professor at King's College London and the founding chairman of the Kings Policy Institute. He chairs Promus Associates, The Sure Chill Company and Ridgeway Information Ltd. From 2007 to 2009 he was chairman of the Cambridge Centre for Energy Studies. He was a special adviser to the former British prime minister Gordon Brown (2009-2010) and served as a non-executive director of Cambridge Econometrics from 2010 to 2018.

In 2018 Butler was appointed to the expert panel of advisers for The Faraday Institution, which works on the development of batteries and energy storage. Having served as a Member of the Strategic Advisory Council of the Norwegian state company Equinor (formerly Statoil), Butler is currently editor of the Energy Agenda for the Norwegian-based energy organization ONS. Nick Butler writes regularly for the Financial Times on the relationship between energy and power with focus on global trends and how these influence industry.



ERIK MIELKE
HEAD OF GLOBAL CORPORATE ANALYSIS, WOOD MACKENZIE

J Erik Mielke has 25 years of energy industry research and corporate management experience. Prior to joining Wood Mackenzie, he was VP Business Development and Commercial at Buried Hill Energy. Mielke was also previously a managing director at Bank of America Merrill Lynch, leading emerging markets energy and US oil and gas research, and a research fellow with Belfer Center's Energy Technology Innovation Policy research group.

He holds an MPA in Energy Policy from Harvard Kennedy School and a BSc in Economics from London School of Economics.



STEINAR EIKAAS
HEAD OF LOW CARBON SOLUTIONS BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AT EQUINOR

Steinar Eikaas is the head of Low carbon Solutions at Equinor which includes responsibility for carbon capture & storage and hydrogen solutions. Eikaas has been with Equinor for 25 years and previously held senior management positions in international business development.

Eikaas holds an MSc in Finance from the Norwegian School of Business and Administration (NHH).

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HOLGER GRUBEL
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Holger Grubel has held the position as Head of Portfolio Development Offshore Wind at EnBW Energie Baden-Württemberg AG since 2018. He is responsible for all global Offshore Wind Projects under development.

From 2015-2018 Grubel was Director at ONP Management GmbH; Technical Director of Merkur Offshore GmbH; responsible for securing financial close of a 400 MW Offshore Wind project. From 1996-2014 he had various roles within Vattenfall related to several offshore wind projects and served on the Offshore Wind Steering Committee for Offshore Projects in UK, The Netherlands and Germany.



ANDERS GADESTAD
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT (EVP)
ENERGY MANAGEMENT & TRADING IN
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As EVP Energy Management & Trading in Agder Energi, Gaudestad is responsible for physical optimization and financial hedging of Agder Energi's hydro power production, origination and trading and companies involved in market operations across Europe. Gaudestad has been with Agder Energi since 2009 and has held several leading positions within the Group.

He holds an MBA from Middlebury Institute of International Studies in California in addition to a Master of Science degree in Industrial Economy and Technology Management from Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Norway.

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