

Sara Bell, Head of Commercial Strategy, Future Networks, UK Power Networks

Sara Bell is responsible for developing UK Power Networks' commercial strategy for future distribution network management and operation. This includes delivering significant savings in traditional electricity network investment and substantial regulatory outperformance through developing commercial alternatives to network reinforcement, such as Demand Side Management. Sara is driving UK Power Networks' strategic commercial approach to the low carbon economy, helping to translate the UK Government policy in to action. This encompasses maximising opportunities, including smart metering and more flexible DUoS tariffs, distributed generation, and ancillary services procured from customers and generators, as well as ensuring the efficiency of new electricity loads such as Electric Vehicles and Heat Pumps. Prior to joining UK Power Networks, Sara spent several years in Clean Technology and Energy Efficiency in South East Asia. Sara sits on the ENA EV workgroup, on the National Physical Laboratory Centre for Carbon Measurement Stakeholder Group, on the EValu8 Plugged-in-Places Steering Committee, on the Advisory Board for London First's Property and Energy Network, on the Sustainability First GB Electricity Demand Project and is a former member of the Singapore Government Climate Change Committee R&D workgroup. Sara holds a Masters in Environmental Management and is a regular speaker at conferences and industry events.