



## Presentation of the speakers

### Nicola Shaw

*UK Executive Director at National Grid*

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Nicola Shaw joined National Grid in July 2016. Previously she was CEO at High Speed 1 rail line from 2011 to 2016 and at FirstGroup between 2005 and 2010. She was also an Independent non-executive Director of Aer Lingus Group plc to September 2015 when the business was sold to IAG.

Nicola's career, both in the UK and overseas, has included roles at the Strategic Rail Authority, Office of the Rail Regulator, Bechtel Ltd, Halcrow Fox, the World Bank and London Transport. She is currently a Director of Ellevio AB, a Swedish electricity distribution company.

Nicola has a broad range of experience and strong track-record working with the UK Government, the European Commission and Parliament, with Regulators and in leading important infrastructure businesses.

### Fintan Slye

*Chief Executive of EirGrid*

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Fintan Slye was appointed Chief Executive of EirGrid on 1 October, 2012. He had previously held the position of Director of Operations of EirGrid, in which he had responsibility for the operation of the power system in Ireland and Northern Ireland, as well as for managing EirGrid and SONI's programme of work to facilitate the integration of world-leading levels of renewables on the power system.

Before his appointment to that position, Fintan worked for McKinsey & Co in their Dublin office, supporting companies across Ireland, UK and Europe. Prior to that, he held a number of project and management roles in ESB National Grid and ESB International. Fintan completed a Masters in Business Administration from UCD in 2001 and a Masters in Engineering Science in 1993.