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*LNG Exchanges with **Simon Oxley, Co-Head of Oil & Gas EMEA, Barclays***

- **What are the themes to frame market development in 2022/3, and what are the associated risks?**

The key themes are what impact cost inflation is likely to have on LNG EPC rates for pre-FID projects and what impact this is likely to have on FID timing. How energy security related concerns will impact incremental LNG demand and tenor of such demand. Impact of working capital requirements on LNG trading operations and also as financing costs increase implications on working capital and capex development funding.

Key risks around capex inflation and funding cost increases delaying additional supply. Uncertainty of demand outlook longer term due to changes in nuclear policy etc that could impact appetite for longer term offtake and risk of further infrastructure sabotage that could reduce supply capacity and lead to price spikes.

- **How can energy security be balanced with decarbonisation pledges?**

Decarbonisation commitments remain critical and can be seen as energy companies' license to operate. Whilst energy security is taking priority in the near term and may delay near term targets, the longer-term trajectory needs to be maintained and where required may need accelerating to meeting 2030/2035 related targets once the immediate energy crisis has been addressed.

- **What do you consider the key disruptors to LNG through to 2040?**

Acceleration of renewable capacity will continue, reducing ultimate gas requirements. Biogas is likely to play a key role as an alternative - whilst it doesn't provide the volumes required it does "plug and play" into existing infrastructure. Within 2040 we may see viability of nuclear fusion perhaps and small scale nuclear may play a bigger role, reducing gas requirements.

- **How can LNG stay affordable, reliable and abundant?**

Continued investment in associated infrastructure and maintain a deep and liquid funding market. Faster permitting decisions by authorities to avoid backlog related issues and longer-term commitment by authorities to gas as a transition fuel.



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- **You are speaking at the World LNG Summit this year. What are you most looking forward to at the event?**

The opportunity to hear the thoughts and insights of such a knowledgeable and diverse group at a time of such volatility, where energy security is having such an impact on near term policy / commercial decision making.