

# Long-Term U.S. Energy Outlook: Different Perspectives



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# Speakers

- John Conti, Assistant Administrator of Energy Analysis, Energy Information Administration
- Mark Finley, General Manager, Global Energy Markets and U.S. Economics, BP
- Douglas Meade, Director of Research, INFORUM

# Forecasts/projections and uncertainty

- Forecast or projections?
- Know your analyst
- Tools
- Uncertainty
  - Basic underlying trends (e.g., population growth, economic growth, social norms)
  - Technology (e.g., new technologies, improved technology, breakthroughs vs. evolutionary, new applications)
  - Energy prices (e.g., cost based, expectations about resources)
  - Political risk (e.g., geopolitical changes or decisions)
  - Other unknown or unpredictable events

# Ground rules

- Other than clarifying questions, hold all questions to the end
  - Note cards will be handed out for providing questions
  - If the questions is to a particular person, please note their name
- Each speaker will have about 20 minutes for their presentation in order to leave time for QA
- PowerPoints will be posted to the conference web site after the conference