

Discussion Questions for February 14, 2017

1. What is stakeholder analysis? For your case, who are the major stakeholders in your energy policy world? How would you fill in a power/interest grid for your simulation group? Note the url for that reading is here http://www.mindtools.com/pages/article/newPPM_07.htm
2. Which groups in your case have the most power?
3. What are the core interests of elected politicians? How does that differ in countries that aren't representative democracies?
4. How, according to Burnstein, does public opinion affect public policy?
5. How does Hoberg characterize political risk analysis? What is a veto point? What is problem structure?
6. Hoberg's political risk analysis is designed for oil sands pipelines. How would it need to be changed to deal with other types of energy projects?
7. Thinking forward to the rest of the term, what areas of course delivery or content do you think could be improved?
8. How would you describe the workload for this class relative to your other classes this term?
 - a. Substantially less
 - b. Somewhat less
 - c. About the same
 - d. Somewhat more
 - e. Substantially more
9. The topics for the remainder of the term are as follows. We need to do the first 2 and the last, but I would consider changing the topics on March 14, 21, and 28 if there is substantial demand and we could come to an agreement on an alternative topic.

February 28: Energy Planning and Approval Strategies, and the Challenge of Social License

March 7: Energy Poverty – The Challenge and Case Studies

March 14: Trump, California, and Energy Policy in the United States

March 21: Case Study in Policy Innovation: Germany's Energiewende

March 28 – International Trade and Clean Energy Policies

April 4: Transitions, Synthesis, Reflections