

**NORTH SEA COMMISSION - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP
MEMBERS' PROFILE - 2005**

1. Name :

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2. Your e-mail address:

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3. Organisation :

Aberdeenshire Council

4. What is your job title?

(i.e. European adviser, councillor, executive secretary, project manager)

Industry Sector Manager

5. What is your position within your organisation:

X

Officer	x
Politician	
Other	

6. Briefly describe your main tasks/responsibilities:

Development and competitiveness of large employment clusters including Renewable Energy, Food & Drink, Farming, Fishing and Forestry.

Responsible for the Grampian Film Office which promotes the area as a location for film making and commercial photography

7. Does your organisation have an official presence in Europe / EU?

We have a part time advisor on policy

8. What is your structure for representation on European issues?

Lobbying via MEPs and via the NSC

9. How do you lobby Europe on economic development issues?

Directly via MEPs and the NSC and also in responding to consultations via the Scottish Parliament or UK Government

10. Do you have position papers on:

X

Energy issues and Renewable energy	x
SME Innovation and Development	x
Rural Development	x
Food production, promotion and development (incl. tourism potential)	x
European funding	x
Academic and business knowledge exchange	
Baltic Sea co-operation	x
Other	

11. What other economic development activities are you currently involved with?

Development of wood fuel supply chains