ENERGY LAW & CONTRACTS



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Introduction

Energy Law & Contracts examines the legal frameworks and contractual structures that govern oil, gas, power, and renewable energy projects. This Training Course covers licensing regimes, production sharing agreements, concessions, joint operating agreements, and long-term supply contracts. Participants study host government relations, regulatory compliance, decommissioning obligations, and dispute routes specific to the sector. Furthermore, the programme connects legal doctrine to commercial practice through real contract analysis and negotiation exercises. As a result, delegates leave able to structure and administer energy contracts with legal confidence.

Energy Law & Contracts Course Objectives

- Identify the legal and regulatory frameworks governing energy projects.
- Distinguish licensing, concession, and production sharing regimes.
- Draft and interpret key clauses in energy agreements.
- Analyse joint operating agreements and partner voting mechanisms.
- Manage host government relations and stabilisation clauses.
- Apply environmental, safety, and decommissioning obligations.
- Structure power purchase agreements and tariff mechanisms.
- Handle change in law, force majeure, and hardship provisions.
- Comply with anti-corruption and sanctions rules in energy deals.
- Manage energy disputes through negotiation, expert determination, and arbitration.

Course Methodology

- Interactive workshops using real energy contract and licensing cases.
- Structured clause analysis of production sharing and power agreements.
- Simulated negotiation of an energy contract and joint venture terms.

- Guided discussion of host government and regulatory tensions.
- Comparative review of legal regimes across producing and importing states.
- Action planning that converts each session into a workplace commitment.

Who Should Take This Course

- Legal counsel and contracts advisors in energy companies.
- Commercial and business development managers.
- Regulatory affairs and compliance professionals.
- Contract and joint venture managers.
- Project finance and risk specialists.
- Government and national oil company staff.
- Consultants and advisors to the energy sector.

Energy Law & Contracts Course Outlines

Day 1: Foundations of Energy Law and Regulation

- Energy law sources: statutes, regulations, licences, and international law.
- Upstream, midstream, downstream, and power sector structures.
- Licensing rounds, bid criteria, and award processes.
- Regulatory bodies, jurisdiction, and enforcement powers.
- Sovereign rights, resource ownership, and national oil companies.
- Environmental and social licence obligations.
- Comparative overview of producer and importer jurisdictions.

Day 2: Upstream Agreements and Petroleum Contracts

- Concession agreements and royalty and tax regimes.
- Production sharing agreements (PSAs): cost oil, profit oil, and cost recovery.
- Service contracts, risk service contracts, and technical service agreements.
- Joint operating agreements (JOAs) and operator duties.
- Unitisation and redetermination processes.
- Farm-in, farm-out, and assignment provisions.
- Decommissioning and abandonment obligations.

Day 3: Midstream, Downstream, and Power Contracts

- Transportation and pipeline agreements and tariff structures.
- Gas sales agreements: take-or-pay, delivery, and quality clauses.
- Storage and terminal use agreements.
- Crude and product sales contracts: Incoterms and title transfer.
- Power purchase agreements (PPAs) and capacity payments.
- Feed-in tariffs, auctions, and renewable support schemes.
- Offtake agreements and credit support instruments.

Day 4: Risk, Change, and Regulatory Compliance

- Change in law, stabilisation, and renegotiation clauses.
- Force majeure, hardship, and material adverse change provisions.
- Price review, indexation, and market adjustment mechanisms.
- Anti-bribery, sanctions, and export control compliance.
- Health, safety, and environmental obligations and liability.
- Local content, employment, and community obligations.
- Sovereign immunity and waiver considerations.

Day 5: Energy Dispute Resolution and Contract Administration

- Negotiation and commercial settlement of energy disputes.
- Expert determination for technical and pricing disputes.
- Mediation and dispute boards in energy projects.
- International arbitration: ICC, LCIA, ICSID, and SIAC.
- Investment treaty protection and investor-state arbitration.
- Governing law, seat, and enforcement considerations.
- Contract administration, notice discipline, and action planning.

Conclusion

By successfully completing Energy Law & Contracts, participants will have acquired a practical command of licensing regimes, petroleum agreements, power contracts, and energy dispute routes. They will know how to interpret production sharing and joint operating agreements, allocate regulatory risk, and manage change in law and force majeure events. In addition, the course prepares delegates to administer energy contracts with disciplined notice and documentation practice. As a result, they return to work ready to support energy projects with legal confidence. Gentex Training Center delivers this Training Course with a practical, standards-based approach.

FAQs for the Energy Law & Contracts course

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Q1 What is the "Energy Law & Contracts" course about?

It is a five-day programme that explains the legal and contractual frameworks behind oil, gas, and power projects. It covers licensing regimes, production sharing agreements, joint operating agreements, gas and power sales contracts, regulatory compliance, and energy dispute resolution.

Q2 What are the key benefits of the "Energy Law & Contracts" course?

Participants gain the ability to read and negotiate energy agreements with confidence, allocate regulatory and commercial risk properly, and protect their organization's position in long-term contracts. They also learn to manage host government relations, change in law events, and disputes before they escalate into arbitration.

Q3 What skills will I gain from the "Energy Law & Contracts" course?

Energy contract drafting and interpretation, licensing and regulatory analysis, risk allocation with change in law and force majeure provisions, and energy dispute resolution with arbitration management.

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Q4 What tools, methods, or standards are covered in the "Energy Law & Contracts" course?

The course covers concession and production sharing agreements (PSAs), joint operating agreements (JOAs), unitisation and redetermination procedures, gas sales agreements with take-or-pay clauses, power purchase agreements (PPAs), Incoterms, stabilisation and change in law clauses, anti-bribery and sanctions compliance, and arbitration rules from the ICC, LCIA, ICSID, and SIAC.

Q5 How is the "Energy Law & Contracts" course applied in real-world practice?

Delegates apply it through licence applications, contract interpretation opinions, joint venture negotiations, gas and power offtake drafting, price review submissions, change in law claims, compliance screening, and arbitration preparation. They also use it to run contract administration registers and host government engagement plans.