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## Vision

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**To be the forum which drives this sector to lead the industry in innovation, efficiency, and winning work.**

The NIA Decommissioning and Existing Generation working group (DEG) and the collaboration between its members have a key role to play to progress your business objectives and the industry's ambitious Nuclear Sector Deal objectives. Through driving toward NSD objectives I believe the industry, but specifically this sector, provides a springboard for UK Plc in economic recovery and therefore opportunities for the school leavers and new talent, supply chain, SLCs, and fundamentally the membership of the DEG.

## Together we can

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**Build our strengths in innovation, capitalise on diversity, and *proactively* identify opportunities so we can maximise our competitive positioning in the industry; creating a virtuous cycle. We will do this through:**

- ✓ **Structured networking opportunities (embracing virtual sessions) to align:**
  - Sector opportunities and capabilities
  - Adjacent industry working groups (i.e. building on DIT efforts to win work internationally)
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- ✓ **Facilitated working sessions with defined outputs on key topics, such as;**
  - Fostering innovation
  - Pivoting business' direction and ways of working
  - Building understanding and alignment with SLCs
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- ✓ **Growing membership with a focus on diversity (attracting diversity in roles, companies, and individuals)**

Through the many years I have been participating in the DEG, I have seen many successes and I want to build on the great work Corhyn, along with the NIA have done; being a voice of the decommissioning and generation sectors, learning from each other, being a forum for collaboration and supporting its members.

## Connor in summary

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I have worked in the nuclear industry for nearly 20 years across decommissioning, waste management, the existing fleet, and new build areas. I started as a graduate engineer with Atkins, becoming a chartered mechanical and chartered nuclear engineer, with fond memories of years in the AGR graphic team. I then moved to the new build sector to help design a nuclear baseline, and later I was the founding UK director of an international nuclear engineering and decommissioning firm. In my current innovation and technology driven organisation I am developing a high-performance culture in SLCs, through to implementing cognitive digital twins. I have experienced the challenges and opportunities the industry presents as; an SME, a large corporate, a consultant, a charity and through many stages of a career and want to bring this to the DEG.

**I have a passion for the industry** and invest as much as I can to promote and support the industry. This has been through:

- Member of the NIA DEG, NNB, International and Fusion working groups
- Workstream lead of the APM/NI Project Management Special Interest Group
- Trustee of the Nuclear Institute
- Chair of the Young Generation Network
- Member of the IMechE Nuclear Power Committee