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Towards a Durable Net Zero Safeguarding Stability and Energy Security for Future Generations

10:00 - 11:30, December 8th, 2023

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Location: Ukraine Pavilion, Blue Zone

Speakers

Sir Alok Sharma, COP26 President and Member of Parliament, UK

Oleksiy Ryabchyn, UNFCCC Negotiator, Ukraine

Myles Allen, Professor of Geosystem Science and Director of Oxford Net Zero, University of Oxford

Christof van Agt Ross, Director of Energy Dialogue, International Energy Forum

Viktoriya Ball, Fridays for Future

Ievgeniia Kopytsia, Associate Professor at Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University, Ukraine

Moderated by Fiona Harvey, The Guardian

Summary

The urgency of limiting global warming to 1.5°C is more evident than ever. In the context of a rapidly evolving geostrategic and security environment, with Ukraine at the forefront, the global aim of achieving net zero emissions before 2050 represents a significant challenge for policymakers. But what does 'net zero' actually mean for future generations? What is the role of net zero in ensuring global geopolitical stability and energy security now, and in the future? What does “abating” fossil fuels have to do with this? This event explores the science behind achieving a durable net zero and its profound implications for energy security, global security and the green transition for future generations.

The event lasts for **1 hr 30 minutes**, including 30 minutes networking.

Co-hosted by Ukraine and University of Oxford - Oxford Net Zero

Moderator: Fiona Harvey, Environmental Editor, The Guardian

Event

Welcome: Why are we here

Welcome by Fiona Harvey

Welcomes the room & why we are here.

Challenges

Conversation between Alok Sharma and Oleksiy Ryabchyn

Perspectives from a UK and a Ukraine voice.

Moderated by Fiona Harvey

Sir Alok Sharma, COP26 President and Member of Parliament, UK & Oleksiy Ryabchyn, UNFCCC Negotiator, Ukraine

This conversation covers the challenges ahead for energy security, stability and climate change, and how politicians are currently and, but more importantly, should think about the challenges for future generations. The conversation is moderated and guided by Fiona Harvey.

Solutions

Interactive panel discussion with 4 perspectives

Moderated by Fiona Harvey

This panel brings together an Academic perspective, a Youth perspective, a Ukrainian perspective and an Energy Supplier perspective.

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