

Hosted at:



Ambassadors' Day: Corporate Net Zero

19 January 2023 | British Antarctic Survey, Cambridge, CB3 0ET

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Timetable

The day will be chaired by **Mike Peirce, Executive Director of Systems Change, The Climate Group.**

6.40 (depart) Coach transfer London Kings Cross – Cambridge

8.30 – 9.15 Registration and Morning Refreshments

9.15 Organiser and Chair Welcome

9.25 **Welcome & scene setting for Net Zero Leadership by Dr Beatrix Schlarb-Ridley FRSB, Director of Innovation and Impact and Chair of the Net Zero Carbon Strategy Group, British Antarctic Survey**

9.45 **Achieving Net Zero in extreme environments incl Q&A by Clare Fothergill, Rothera Renewable Energy Lead, British Antarctic Survey**

10.10 **Address by Gavin Shelton, Founder & CEO, CoFarm Foundation**

Gavin's passion for sustainable development was ignited by a four-month scientific and adventurous expedition to Svalbard in 1992. This was the same year as the breakthrough Earth Summit was held in Rio de Janeiro and the Commission on Sustainable Development was formed to ensure the commitments made in Rio were implemented globally.

In his address, Gavin will reflect on some of the pivotal moments and opportunities for the sustainable development movement during his life. He will explore some of the principal drivers behind not only climate change - but also global biodiversity loss and health inequalities. Gavin will explain why examining these have led him to conclude that the only credible path to Net Zero - and to a sustainable future for life on Earth - is reorganising our local and global food systems according to the science and practise of agroecology.

Gavin will share some of the joys and challenges of piloting a new model of community-based agroecological farming, or 'co-farming', in Cambridge during the coronavirus pandemic. He will explain how scaling-up this model can accelerate the journey to Net Zero and drive transformational progress towards achieving the UN Global Goals by 2030.

10.30 **BAS Bespoke Guided Tours with three stations (15mins each), done in rotations (audience split in 3 groups):**

Station 1: Ice Core Experience: tangible evidence of climate change from ancient atmospheres (focus: climate evidence)

Station 2: Tackling emissions: Harnessing AI to optimize shipping routes and more (focus: solutions)

Station 3: Sentinels of change: Biodiversity in the polar regions (focus: inspirational)

11.15 - 11.35 Networking refreshment break (20 mins)

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- 11.35 - 12.35 **Audience with Landsec:** Landsec's Journey to Net Zero, incl. slide presentation and extensive Q&As, with:
Jennie Colville, Head of ESG and Sustainability, Landsec
Alexia Laird, Senior Sustainability Manager – Development, Landsec
- 12.35 - 13.20 **Panel discussion: Translating science targets into business actions and upscaling business leaders for complex decisions and trade-offs around net zero actions**
- Panelists:**
Zebrina Hanly, Head of Environment and Climate Change, **Royal Mail**
Claire Atkins-Morris, Director of Corporate Responsibility, **Sodexo UK & Ireland**
Alex Sutton, Partner & Senior Ethics & Sustainability Manager - Climate, **John Lewis Partnership**
Richard Buckingham, Climate Change and Carbon Manager, **Anglian Water**
- The panelists will address:
- Effective ways of slimming down a long-term SBTi into manageable targets and programmes for businesses
 - Tips on structuring an environmental strategy to gain executive level accountability and leadership across the plan
 - How do you hold your leaders accountable for making balanced decisions that consider environment and net-zero
- The panel will look to contrast:
- various panel members approaches to setting shorter term objectives and gaining executive leadership,
 - will look at how it has gone, and
 - what is working and what is not.
- 13.20 - 14.10 *Networking Lunch (50 mins)*
- 14.10 - 14.30 **Keynote by Professor Paul Anderson, Principal Investigator for the Faraday ReLiB project: "Zero-emissions vehicles: avoiding the bottlenecks and finding the road to sustainability"**
- 14.30 - 15.30 **Audience with Environment Agency:** Environment Agency's Journey to Net Zero, incl. slide presentation and extensive Q&As, with:
Vanessa Griffiths, Deputy Director of Sustainable Business, Environment Agency
Dale Eynon, Director, Defra Group Fleet Services
Simon Dawes, Head of Net Zero and Circular economy within Sustainable Business, Environment Agency
- 15.30 - 15.50 *Networking refreshment break (20 mins)*
- 15.50 - 16.35 **Panel discussion: Accelerating actions on Scope 3 indirect value chain emissions**

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Panelists:

Monica Perez Lobo, Vice President, Corporate Affairs & Sustainability, **Toyota Europe**

Gabrielle Ginér, Head of Environmental Sustainability, **BT Group**

Alexandra Hammond, Head of Sustainable Procurement and Supply Chain, **NHS England**

Tom Cumberlege, Associate Director, **Carbon Trust**

The panelists will address:

- Achieving the right specificity, granularity and confidence in data
- Effective ways of quantifying risks in your supply chain
- Leveraging software capability
- Data risk management
- Financing mechanisms

16.35 - 17.35 **Guest Presenter: Chris Rea, CBE, DL, BSc, CEng, FIMechE, HonFIMechE, Managing Director, AESSEAL: AESSEAL's Journey to Net Zero, presentation with Q&As**

17.35 - 17.50 *Networking refreshment break (15 mins)*

18.00 (depart) *Coach transfer Cambridge – London Kings Cross*

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