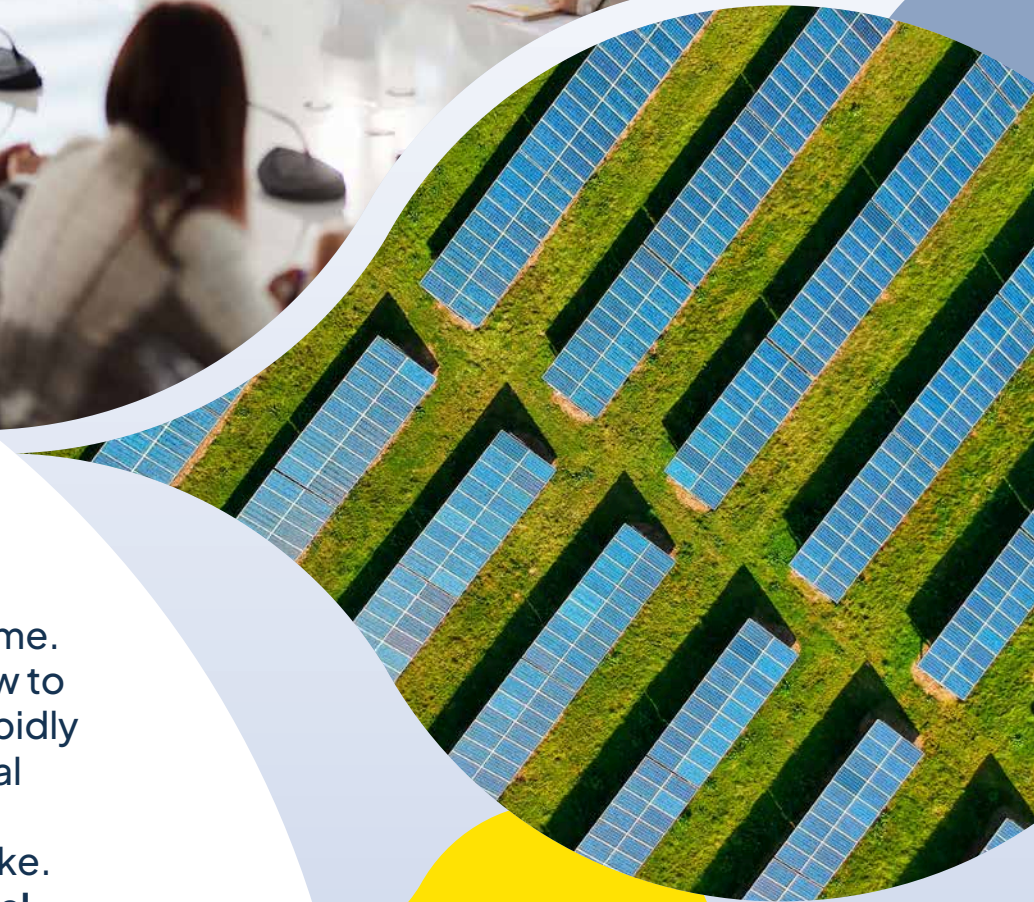


Building a bridge from expert insight to climate action



The problem we face

Climate change is one of the most urgent challenges of our time. Greenhouse gas emissions are still on the rise, and the window to prevent irreversible damage to our planet and its people is rapidly closing. In an increasingly unstable political and environmental landscape, pinpointing the most effective climate-positive actions is a daunting task for businesses and governments alike. Now more than ever, they need **robust, informed and impartial guidance** to make decisions that truly make a difference.



Who are we?

The Centre for Climate Engagement (the CCE) is based at Hughes Hall, University of Cambridge. Our mission is to accelerate the race to net zero emissions and climate resilience by curating, translating and transferring expert insight in law and governance.

What do we do?

We bridge the gap between expert insight and climate action by providing succinct and timely information on climate law and governance to time-poor leaders in business, law and government through online materials, tools and through targeted convening.

Our work runs across the following programmes:



Climate Governance

Providing bespoke and targeted outputs for board directors on both why and how to drive, deliver and accelerate corporate climate action from the boardroom.

Achievement

The CCE contributed to a recent workshop in Geneva, hosted by the Climate Governance Initiative with the World Economic Forum, which brought together over 30 leading board directors from more than 20 countries to discuss how corporate boards can accelerate the net-zero transition.

Climate Policy

Collaborating across the University of Cambridge and with external experts to engage policymakers at all levels and develop policies to accelerate climate action.

Achievement

We received funding from Innovate UK's 'Net Zero Living Programme' to work with partners to develop a framework supporting local authorities to achieve net zero in a way that aligns with national-level greenhouse gas accounting protocols. The project will develop a 'locally determined contribution' (LDC) for Cambridgeshire.

Law for Climate Action

Connecting academic insight with legal practitioners to understand how all areas of law are impacted by, and have the ability to accelerate, the net zero transition.

Achievement

We launched a free online resource called the Law & Climate Atlas in the UK and the US, partnering with the Net Zero Lawyers Alliance for the US version. The Atlas highlights how climate change is influencing different areas of law and how lawyers in these areas can drive climate action. It has received nearly 5,000 views to date.

Academic Engagement

Linking academics and experts with a broad audience of board directors, finance professionals, general counsels, lawyers and policy makers, sharing expertise to drive meaningful change.

Achievement

The International Conference on ESG and Climate Governance, hosted by Sim Kee Boon Institute, CCE, and the Climate Governance Initiative with support from the Singapore Green Finance Centre, gathered experts, practitioners, and board directors globally to discuss the latest in board governance of environmental and social issues, offering insights from 23 countries across multiple disciplines.

How do we work?

We transfer knowledge: We provide insights on law, policy, and governance related to climate responsibilities and risks for business and government leaders, create tools to support climate-positive decision-making, and host high-level webinars and events to foster knowledge-sharing and collaboration.

We translate research: We transform research and data into accessible formats, providing leaders with practical strategies grounded in credible sources, and offer briefings and summaries on legal, policy, and governance frameworks to our global network on an open-access basis.

We build communities: We connect researchers and key decision-makers in business and government, collaborating with the Climate Governance Initiative to foster a community for knowledge exchange, and engaging with stakeholders like policymakers, NGOs, and academics to advance discussions on critical issues.

Why do we need your support?

There are many projects that we would love to work on, with your support. Here are a few examples:

- Our **Climate Policy** programme is seeking funding to expand a data platform that helps local authorities prioritise and track emissions reductions, aligning local efforts with the UK's national climate targets. The platform will empower local decision-making, stimulate investment, and accelerate progress toward the country's climate goals, creating a model for nationwide rollout.
- Our **Law for Climate Action** programme is seeking funding to develop its Law and Climate Atlas, which tracks intersections between climate change and over 20 different legal fields and leverages the knowledge in this resource to create practical legal solutions to climate change.
- We are seeking funding for our **Academic Engagement** programme to support global in-person conferences and online webinars. Partnering with academic institutions, the Climate Governance Initiative and its network of Chapters around the world, policy makers, and industry experts, we convene high-level events focused on climate action. We also track the credible actions of the networks we create and deliver education and training on climate initiatives.

How to get involved

Find out more about our programmes and our people on our website <https://climatehughes.org> or email climate@hughes.cam.ac.uk to register your interest.

