

COP23 in Bonn, Germany – South Pole Group recommended events

Carbon Markets

Robust accounting and transitional arrangements for Article 6 of the Paris Agreement

This workshop gathers negotiators, researchers and non-governmental organizations to discuss recent research on two issues being considered in negotiations under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement: accounting for ITMOs in the context of single-year targets and the transition from the Kyoto mechanisms to Article 6. The workshop is organized by Öko-Institut, INFRAS and Stockholm Environment Institute on behalf of the German Environment Agency.

Speakers include: Jeff Swartz

Date: Monday, 6th November, 09:30 to 12:50

Location: Ministry for the Environment (BMUB), Robert- Schuman-Platz 3, Bonn

Promoting experiences gained from JI towards Article 6 of the Paris Agreement

Since its operationalization at CMP.1 in Montreal Joint Implementation has contributed to the implementation of mitigation action under the Kyoto Protocol, supporting parties to leverage private finance and project development experience to support the delivery of action of climate change. JI has also served to facilitate cooperation between Parties in the development and support of mitigation action. In adopting the Paris Agreement Parties recognized that the operation of JI can inform the design of new cooperative approaches. This event will provide Parties and other stakeholders with an overview of the lessons learned through this experience which can serve to inform the development of new national policies and international cooperative approaches in service of the Paris Agreement.

Speakers include: Jeff Swartz

Date: Tuesday, 7th November, 13:15-14:45

Location: Bonn Zone, Meeting Room 11

CORSIA Implementation. Getting ready across the deck

While work to finalise details that will operationalise CORSIA is underway, ICAO, governments, aircraft operators and other stakeholders are also starting to prepare for the implementation of this global scheme. This side event will give an overview of ICAO's CORSIA along with presentations and government experiences from all actors essential in the successful implementation of CORSIA.

Speakers include: Renat Heuberger

Date: Wednesday: 8th November, 12:30 to 14:00

Location: IETA Business Hub

Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) of the Japanese Government

This event will explore the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) of the Japanese Government. JCM developments, methodologies, examples of registered projects and lessons learned from the JCM to date will be presented by experts from IGES and Mitsubishi UFJ Research and Consulting. A panel discussion will follow, with the aim to discuss the way forward for the JCM and the interlinks with existing market, with Article 6 of the Paris Agreement as well as the ICAO CORSIA mechanism.

Speakers include: Jeff Swartz

Date: Wednesday 8th November, 17:00 to 18:30

Location: IETA Business Hub

Where are the projects in the new Paris world?

What is the role of the carbon markets under the Paris Agreement? What is the relationship between NDCs and exports of emission reduction rights? Can adaptation projects help? How can projects get access to climate finance? Can projects support the SDG? Are there more chances or more problems?

Speakers include: Patrick Bürgi

Date: Thursday 9th November, 15:00-16:30

Location: Bonn Zone, Meeting Room 12

ICROA Roundtable

The entry into force of the Paris Agreement represents a unique opportunity for voluntary action. For the first time, both developed and developing nations have pledged to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. The desire for international action on climate change was demonstrated by the speed at which the Paris Agreement entered into force. However, the scale of emission reductions pledged is insufficient to restrict the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels – the primary objective of the Agreement.

Speakers include: Renat Heuberger and Jeff Swartz

Date: Friday 10th November, 14:30 to 16:00

Location: IETA Business Hub

Climate Change – Risks and Opportunities

Climate-Related Financial Risks and Opportunities: Moving from talk to action (Listed Title: “Advancing Corporate Disclosure on Climate Change”)

This panel discusses efforts to enable compliance with TCFD recommendations, such as scenario analysis, advanced disclosure and climate risk indices. It focuses on opportunities for a broad range of stakeholders to move from talk to action and what this means for the achievement of the 2°C target.

Moderated by: Renat Heuberger

Date: Thursday, 9th November, 16:45-18:45

Location: Bonn Zone, Meeting Room 12

„The Age of Consequences“: A screening with the filmmaker and expert panel on the connections between climate change, conflict, and security

A screening of an edited 30-minute version of the award-winning documentary “The Age of Consequences” sets the background for an interactive discussion of the significance of climate change as one of many drivers of conflict and insecurity in fragile states.

This is a networking event:

Join us to continue the discussion over snacks and drinks. The event is free but we kindly ask for registration at events@southpole.com

Moderated by: Jeff Swartz

Date: Monday, 13th November, 18:30-21:30

Location: University of Bonn, Festsaal, Am Hof 1 (Hofgarten entrance)

High-level dialogue on Green Finance

The Sustainable Stock Exchanges initiative is convening a high-level dialogue on Green Finance alongside the 23rd United Nations climate summit (COP23) in Bonn, Germany. Bringing together ministers of finance, chief capital market regulators and CEOs of stock exchanges, investors and issuers, this leadership event will help chart the path forward for stock exchanges and their contribution to climate goals.

Speakers include: Charles Henderson

Date: Thursday, 16th November. 09:30-18:00

Location: Rheinhof Dreesen, Bonn

ISS-Ethix Climate Solutions at COP23 in Bonn 2017

ISS-Ethix invites you to join them at the world's most important conference on climate change to discuss how investors can help the world meet the 2-degree target set out in the Paris Climate Accord.

Date: Wednesday, 15th November

Location: Bonner Ruderverein

Please find out more and register [here](#).

Green Investment

The Role of Green Investment Banks

The objective of the session is to shed light upon different models of Green Investment Banks from different countries to inspire and inform the audience about the underpinnings and establishment of GIB within their own jurisdictions.

Speakers include: Dr. Christoph Grobbel

Date: Saturday, 11th November, 13.30-15.30

Location: Turkey Pavilion

Forests, Land Use and Communities

REDD+ Financing and Crediting under the Paris Agreement

This event will explore what's on the table in terms of financing REDD+ in forest nations and will further outline ideas and solutions to ensure that financial flows go directly to where they are needed to prevent emissions from deforestation activities.

Speakers include: Jeff Swartz

Date: Tuesday 7th November, 16:00-17:30

Location: IETA Business Hub

Nature Based Solutions for an uncertain future?

This event will focus on the challenge of identifying scalable natural solutions to adapt to climate change, and how to raise the necessary financial and technical capital for natural infrastructure adaptation solutions.

Speakers include: Renat Heuberger

Date: Thursday 9th November, 10:00 – 11:30

Location: Bonn Zone, IUCN Pavilion

Technology and Innovation

Reducing household energy demand to lower GHG emission – barriers and options

The side event will shed light on energy consumption behavior of households, applying insights from behavioral sciences. It will demonstrate chances and limitations of strategies for lowering energy demand of households, including a discussion with agents from (non-)governmental organizations.

Speakers include: Patrick Bürgi

Date: Monday, 6th November, 16:00 to 17:00

Location: EU Pavilion

Hacking Climate Change: The digital future of climate leadership, innovation and impact

How to achieve the Paris targets? Digitalisation helps advance the energy transition, tracking deforestation and determining the carbon footprint of corporates as well as non-state actors. Microsoft, South Pole Group and other pioneering companies and organisations will share case studies and best practices.

Speakers include: Patrick Bürgi and Ingo Puhl

Date: Thursday, 9th November, 11:30-13:00

Location: Bonn Zone, Meeting Room 11

Renewable Energy

Renewable energy market instruments to accelerate the RE transition and deliver impact to the SDGs

The private sector can play a large role in helping drive the transition towards 100% renewables. Building on 15 years experience ensuring environmental integrity and sustainable development in carbon markets, Gold Standard has launched a new label for renewable energy attributes certificates. This instrument was developed to ensure a just and sustainable energy transition with special emphasis on social and environmental safeguards as well as stakeholder inclusivity, which are seldom taken into consideration by corporate buyers of renewable energy. This event will discuss the impetus for developing this label, how it can allow renewable markets to help accelerate the transition to renewable energy by adding new renewable capacity to grids around the world.

Speakers include: Renat Heuberger

Date: Tuesday 14 November 15:30 - 16:30

Location: Bonn Zone, IRENA Pavilion

Climate Finance for Sustainable Energy in SIDS

Description: While adaptation is the major challenge for SIDS, providing clean and affordable energy is also a concern that needs to be addressed in the context of sustainable development. This side event examines the current status of climate finance in SIDS and offers case studies of innovative programs that seek to promote sustainable energy supplies for SIDS.

Time: Friday 17 November, 10:30-12:00

Location: Bonn Zone, IETA Pavilion (A.12)

Climate Action

Better Together: Joining women's empowerment co-benefits with carbon reduction and solar cooking

Bringing together climate action and women's empowerment can contribute to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals and global climate commitments. The audience will gain awareness on concrete mechanisms that have a positive impact on climate change and women's empowerment simultaneously.

Moderated by: Ingo Puhl

Date: 13th November, 15:00-16:30

Location: South African Pavilion

World Climate Summit

World Climate Summit is expertly positioned to support the Global Climate Action Agenda with its unique focus on business, finance, and private sector solutions and has been a long-time advocate of the multi-stakeholder agenda for climate change. World Climate Summit offers a dynamic solutions platform: conference, pitch rings, professional matchmaking and more! Over the span of the three days, we will focus on low-carbon solutions, accelerating climate finance and creating the resource-efficient circular economy.

Speakers include: Renat Heuberger

Date: 14-16 November

Location: Kameha Grand Hotel, Bonn

Climate Box: an Interactive Learning Toolkit on Climate Change

The side event will present the Climate Box Learning Toolkit developed by UNDP and piloted with educational systems in Russia, Kazakhstan (Nazarbaev Intellectual School Network), Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. Since 2017, IRH will scale up the Climate Box programme in Armenia, Moldova, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan with further replication potential across ECIS region. The Climate Box is already available in English, Russian, Kazakh, Kyrgyz and Tajik languages. A mobile app and web site www.climate-box.com have been developed and will be published by the time of COP203.

Moderated by: Yulia Dobrolyubova

Date: Thursday, 16th November, 10:30-12:00

Location: UNDP Pavilion