

## CONFERENCE INVITATION

### “EU Climate Policy Beyond 2020 – Options for a Low-Carbon Future”

Insights from the CECILIA2050 research project

June 30, 2015 - BRUSSELS

#### Event summary

We hereby invite you to attend *EU Climate Policy Beyond 2020 – Options for a Low-Carbon Future*, a **high-level conference on the future of EU climate and energy policy**.

The conference will present **insights and lessons-learned from the CECILIA2050 research project** (a joint effort by ten prominent research institutions from eight European countries), which is currently in its final stage of work. Drawing from a comprehensive synthesis of project results, the conference agenda will focus on **options to optimise Europe’s low-carbon policy mix** for both the short and long terms, i.e., up until and after 2030, respectively.

Inputs from project consortium members will be complemented by **commentary from policy practitioners** and fellow academics from a range of sectors and stakeholder groups, including the European Commission, Member States, the European Parliament, as well as industry and NGOs.

The EU has decided on climate targets for 2030; thus, the impetus is now on the efficient implementation of policy instruments to meet these goals. However, with the longer term goal of decarbonisation in mind, the EU must consider the implications of its next choices on the post-2030 options. This conference thus serves as a **topical forum to connect current research with the policy-making process, facilitate dialogue on the near and not-so-distant future of climate mitigation and highlight the findings and key messages of the CECILIA2050 project**.

In March 2014, the previous project conference drew a significant group of experts for discussion – a report, images and the presentation are available online on the CECILIA2050 website: <http://cecilia2050.eu/news/146>

#### Who should attend?

The conference agenda is geared towards an **expert audience of relevant policy stakeholders** and academia from the EU (and beyond), with a focus on Brussels based representatives. The topic and discussion may also be of interest to relevant stakeholders and Ministry officials from Member State capitals. The venue is limited to 150 participants and registrations will be capped at that level.

#### Location

The conference will take place at a **beautiful venue in the heart of Brussels** called the “Ateliers des Tanneurs” in the Quartier Marolles neighbourhood, walking distance from the iconic *Palace de la Justice* (Metro Louise) as well as *Gare de Midi* and *Gare Centrale* train and metro stations.

Address: Rue des Tanneurs 58-62

1000 Bruxelles

<http://www.AteliersDesTanneurs.be>



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**09:00 Registration**

**09:30 Welcome**

*Dr. Camilla Bausch, Director, Ecologic Institute (project lead organisation)*

**09:45 High-level keynote: “EU climate and energy policy for 2030 and beyond”**

*Damien Meadows, Advisor, DG CLIMA, Directorate B “European and International Carbon Markets”*

Followed by a question and answer session

**10:30 Coffee break**

**11:00 “Key insights from CECILIA2050: recommendations for current and future EU climate policy”**

*Benjamin Görlach, Head of Economics and Policy Assessment, Ecologic Institute*

Followed by panel discussion with policy experts in response

- Jason Anderson, WWF
- Richard Baron, OECD Round Table on Sustainable Development
- Gjalt Huppes, Institute of Environmental Sciences (CML), University of Leiden

**Moderator:** Matthias Duwe, Head of Climate, Ecologic Institute

**13:00 Lunch break**

**14:00 PARALLEL GROUPS: “Starting the transition now – 2020 policies for 2050”**

**Group 1: Changes to the energy system**

Paul Ekins, UCL Institute for Sustainable Resources; Paul Drummond, UCL Institute for Sustainable Resources; Heleen de Coninck, Radboud University

**Group 2: Institutions and governance - fit for decarbonisation**

Camilla Bausch, Ecologic Institute; Mikael Skou Andersen, Aarhus University; Tomas Wyns, IES

**Group 3: Public acceptance and political feasibility of a low-carbon Europe**

Milan Scasny, CUNI; Mikolaj Czajkowski, WOEE; Stefania Munaretto, IVM

**15:30 Coffee break**

**16:00 Unlocking long-term mitigation options: the role of economic instruments for the EU**

**Panel Discussion**

- Tobias Brenner, German Environment Ministry (BMUB)
- Wendel Trio, Climate Action Network Europe
- Anil Markandya, Basque Center for Climate Change (BC3)
- Marco Mensink, Confederation of European Paper Industries (CEPI)

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**17:30 Wrap-up and conclusions followed by a reception**