

Durham University COP26 Event Series: 'STEAM for ACE'

Finance May 2021

Climate finance covers the broad topics of investments in both climate mitigation and resilience across the globe. The finance strand in COP26 looks at the funding mechanisms for all of the other thematic components of COP26 and it is here that we begin with a discussion on the incentives, regulation and pricing of investments relating to climate change/crisis and the green economy.

We start on the 5th of May with the very longest term outlook and a critique of economic modelling of climate impacts and pathways to better outcomes over the intermediate and long term. This session will look at the changing landscape of public investment, particularly in the United Kingdom and the United States.

On the 12th of May we will then look at the private sector and how changing attitudes of investors is starting to effect changes in financial markets and their attitudes to financing projects.

On the 19th of May we switch track to directly address the issues of climate finance in low- and middleincome countries and focus on investment and development of poverty reduction and sustainability for climate vulnerable populations.

Finally, on the 26th of May we will look directly at the regulatory side, how externalities are priced into regulations, infrastructure provision and the move to a carbon neutral economy.

All events are 2pm to 3pm on zoom

May 5th - **Carly Beckerman** and **Julian Williams** *Institute of Hazard Risk and Resilience* – Long run investment in climate change and the tyranny of discount rates. [Register here](#)

May 12th - Introduction by **Susan Hart**, *Dean of Durham University Business School* followed by **Thomas Renstrom** and **Laura Marsilliani** *Durham University Business School and Durham Energy Institute* – Green investment and private capital. [Register here](#)

May 19th - **Andy Large** and **Julian Williams** *UKRI Living Deltas Hub and Newcastle University* – Sustainable poverty reduction and climate change in vulnerable regions. [Register here](#)

May 26th - Andrew Wright and **Joanna Berry** *Durham University Business School and Durham Energy Institute – Delivering a fair transition to net zero. Aligning investment incentives to policy objectives.*

[Register here](#)

The whole event series running from May until September will be available [here](#) shortly.