

## Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

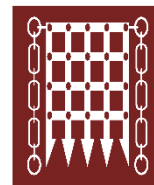
### Next steps for the UK Emissions Trading Scheme

Timing: Morning, Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2026

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **UK Emissions Trading Scheme Phase 2 and priorities for the 2027-2030 allocation period**  
Senior speaker confirmed from **Department for Energy Security and Net Zero**  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Decarbonisation pathways for energy-intensive industries - sector readiness and implementation priorities under Phase 2**  
**Jon Flitney**, Energy and Climate Change Manager, Minerals Product Association
- 9.40 **Priorities for governance, market design and operation of the UK ETS**  
*the UK ETS Authority response to the Future Markets Policy Consultation | market stability mechanisms and the approach being taken to reform | the increase of the Auction Reserve Price for auction bidding behaviour and price floors | relationship with the Cost Containment Mechanism and other stability tools | assessing free allocation decisions for 2028-2030 | implications for sectors exposed to international competition | how the cap is set over time and longer-term market development | supporting decarbonisation in hard-to-abate sectors | administrative capacity and regulatory resourcing | integration of GGRs and implications for scheme design, integrity and incentives for emissions reduction | developments in carbon capture and removals technologies and their role in hard-to-abate sectors*  
**Tim Atkinson**, Head, Carbon, CFP Energy  
**Chris Leeds**, Head, Carbon Markets Development, Standard Chartered Bank  
Senior representative, industry  
Senior representative, greenhouse gas removals
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **UK-EU ETS linkage - assessing progress, implications and considerations for scheme design**  
**Alistair McGirr**, Group Head, Policy and Advocacy, SSE; and Chair, EU-UK Linking Taskforce, International Emissions Trading Association  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.05 **Implementation of the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism - preventing carbon leakage and supporting competitiveness**  
*alignment of the UK CBAM with free allocation reform | strategies for addressing carbon leakage | implications for sectors exposed to international competition | passing of costs across supply chains | implications for organisations with limited control over emissions | data, reporting and compliance readiness for importers | interaction with EU and global CBAM regimes | implications of UK-EU ETS linkage for exporters and trade flows*  
Senior representative, legal  
Senior representative, industry  
Senior representative, consultancy  
Senior academic  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 **Early experience of the inclusion of domestic maritime emissions - considerations for implementation and compliance**  
Senior speaker confirmed from **Wightlink**
- 12.05 **Waste and the UK ETS - scheme expansion, design and implementation**  
*expansion to energy-from-waste and maritime, scheme design and implementation | MRV requirements and transition to full compliance | exemptions and deduction mechanisms for varying activities and contractual arrangements | cost exposure and compliance considerations for organisations with limited control over emissions | interaction with waste, recycling and packaging policy | addressing unintended landfill or export incentives | options for further sector expansion and alignment with wider decarbonisation strategies*  
Senior representative, energy-from-waste  
Senior representative, local authority  
Senior commentator
- 12.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.45 **Assessing the long-term direction for the UK ETS - Phase 2, cap-setting and market development to 2040**  
Senior commentator  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.10 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Sean Cudmore**, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum



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