

Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference:

Next steps for aviation decarbonisation in the UK

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Davies of Gower
- 9.05 **Implementation priorities for UK aviation decarbonisation policy - Sustainable Aviation Fuel, investment and delivery**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Assessing progress and key considerations for aviation decarbonisation**
Dr Samuel Gabra, Director, Aviation Impact Accelerator, University of Cambridge
- 9.40 **Assessing the way forward for SAF in the UK - production, supply chains and deployment**
SAF Act implementation and progress towards SAF Mandate obligations | Revenue Certainty Mechanism and implications for domestic production, investor confidence and financing models | feedstock availability, sustainability criteria and lifecycle emissions | considerations for crop-derived SAF | infrastructure, construction and commissioning timelines, and workforce capacity | domestic production, imports and supply chain development | price differences, operating costs, fares and route economics | competitiveness, carbon leakage and international alignment | considerations for UK ETS, CORSIA and wider policy frameworks
Michael Bedford, Barrister, Cornerstone Barristers
Dr Sanjeev Gajjela, Founder and CEO, PySAF
Jonathon Counsell, Group Sustainability Director, International Airlines Group
Senior speaker confirmed from **WSP**
Senior representative, investment
- 10.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Considerations for regulation - oversight, reporting, market confidence and implementation**
Harry Armstrong, Head, Sustainability, Civil Aviation Authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Davies of Gower
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.20 **Airport priorities for decarbonisation - infrastructure, planning and operational delivery**
Matthew Gorman, Director, Carbon Strategy and Sustainability, Heathrow Airport
- 11.30 **Assessing pathways to aviation decarbonisation in the UK - timelines, policy, emerging technologies and practical considerations**
Implications of proposed measures in the Civil Aviation Bill | efficiencies across airlines and airports, including aircraft performance, flight operations and airspace modernisation | contribution of current measures, including SAF uptake, to absolute emissions reduction | role of hydrogen-powered aircraft and considerations for commercial deployment timelines | greenhouse gas removals and their potential scale and function in aviation decarbonisation | infrastructure requirements, energy supply and integration with airport operations | workforce readiness and supply chain capability for emerging technologies | commercial viability, investment conditions and delivery risks | interaction between technology pathways, policy measures and longer-term emissions reduction strategies
Glenn Hunt-Whitfield, Co-founder and CEO, Seamach Energy
Helena Anderson, Co-founder and Chief Operating Officer, Ikigai Group
David Debney, Head, Technology, Whole Aircraft, Aerospace Technology Institute
Finlay Asher, Co-founder, Safe Landing
Nuala Doyle, Advocacy Manager, Opportunity Green
- 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Next steps for aviation decarbonisation - innovation, delivery and net zero aviation**
Steven Gillard, UK, Europe and METACA Sustainability Director, Boeing
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum