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**Dirk Forrister**  
President & CEO  
International Emissions Trading Association (IETA)

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

## **Welcome to New York City and IETA's annual North America Climate Summit (NACS)!**

It seems as though every year when we gather here there is a lot at stake for carbon markets, and this year is no different. Amid continuing geopolitical turmoil there has been a retreat in some quarters from long-standing commitments, but as we hope you'll find from the conversation this week, carbon markets remain healthy, busy and optimistic for the longer term.

We're gathering at NACS on the back of exciting news from California, where lawmakers last week agreed to extend the state's cap-and-invest system for not just 10, but 20 years! That sends a strong, long-term signal to business and industry that they can factor carbon pricing in until the middle of the century.

Outside the US, we're seeing steady and impressive growth of interest in and development of emissions trading systems. Our three previous Summits this year, in Asia, Europe and Latin America, have demonstrated the amount of work and energy that is going in to putting a price on GHG emissions worldwide. To be sure, some of this is due to growing awareness that the European Union's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism is about to start adding to the cost of carbon-intensive exports to the region.

But there is also a growing acceptance that carbon pricing works. While politicians debate, smart governments and businesses have already created a \$100 billion market that rewards companies for cutting emissions. The results confirm what economists have long predicted – put a price on carbon, and entrepreneurs find profitable ways to eliminate it.

Carbon pricing covers 28% of global emissions. Growth is coming fastest from emerging markets like China and India, that see carbon pricing as an economic opportunity. Research has shown that if countries are serious about net-zero goals, the international carbon market could hit \$300 billion by 2030 – and \$1 trillion by 2050.

Europe, Canada and California led the way, but they are no longer alone. Across the G-20, governments are building carbon pricing systems to back their Paris commitments.

This year's NACS will take a tour around these emerging markets, but it will also dive deep into the "how" and "when" of driving long-term growth. We'll pay particular attention to the increasing focus on nature- and technology-based carbon removals, the outcomes of the voluntary carbon market's focus on integrity, and on how business can accurately account for its carbon.

On behalf of IETA, we're grateful to our summit partners and sponsors for helping deliver this edition, and extend a warm welcome to all. We look forward to hearing your valuable insights and learning from each other.



Dirk Forrister

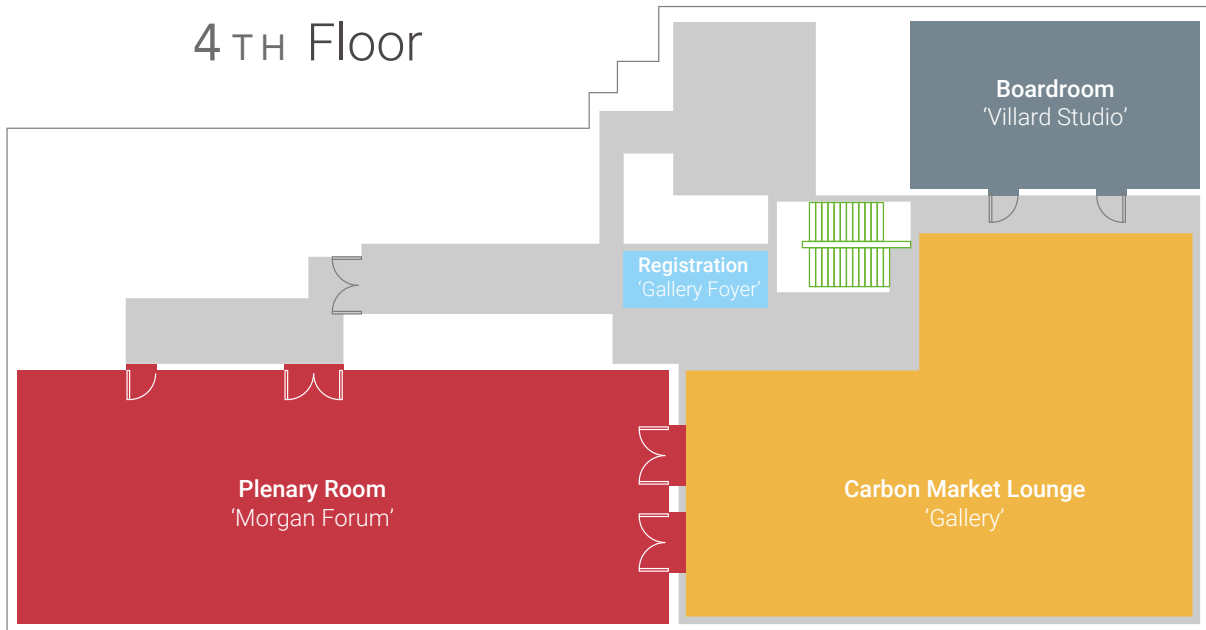


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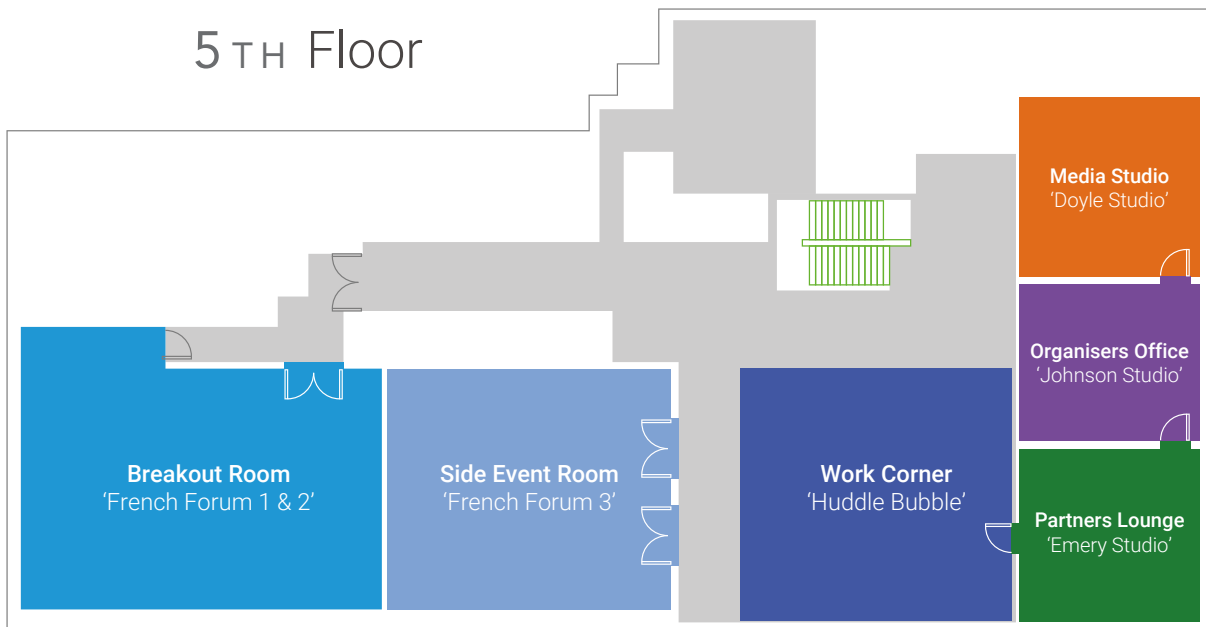
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- Work Corner 'Huddle Bubble'

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17:30	📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor)
17:30	<b>North America Climate Summit Welcome Reception</b>
18:45	Open to all Summit Delegates, included in the Delegate Pass 📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)

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10:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>
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10:30	<b>Plenary 2 – Market Infrastructure to Scale Carbon Credit Markets</b>
11:30	📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
11:40	<b>Breakout 1 – Part 1: Underdogs of Carbon Markets - Scaling Emerging Carbon Solutions for Global Impact</b>
12:25	📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

12:25 12:40	<b>Breakout 1 – Part 2: Premiere of Blue Catalyst: Blue Carbon Innovation Challenge</b> 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
11:40 12:40	<b>Breakout 2 – Analysts' Roundtable: North America Carbon Market Pricing, Forecasts and Outlooks</b> 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)
12:40 13:40	<b>Networking Lunch</b> 📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)
13:40 14:40	<b>Plenary 3 – North America Subnational Climate Leadership &amp; Cooperation</b> 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
14:00 16:00	<b>By Invitation – Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB) Catalyzing Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Production and Adoption Roundtable</b> 📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor) Organised by EDB, for more information please contact Rovik Jeremiah, Rovik_Jeremiah_ROBERT@edb.gov.sg
14:50 15:50	<b>Breakout 3 – Nature-Based Removals and Reductions: Is Durability Nature's Achilles' Heel?</b> 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
14:50 15:50	<b>Breakout 4 – Carbon at the Crossroads: Subnational Markets, Law, and What to Watch</b> 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)
15:00 17:00	<b>By Invitation – WCI Board Meeting</b> 📍 Boardroom 'Villard Studio' (4th Floor)
15:50 16:20	<b>Coffee Break</b> 📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)
16:20 17:20	<b>Side Event 7 – Organised by the Global Heat Reduction Initiative (GHR) - Too Hot to Ignore: Unlocking Near-Term Wins to Cool the Planet</b> 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)
16:20 17:20	<b>Side Event 8 – Organised by 1PointFive: Making the Digital Issuance of Direct Air Capture (DAC) Credits a Reality - Scaling High-Integrity Carbon Removal with Microsoft's ECS Platform</b> 📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor)
17:30 18:30	<b>Plenary 4 – US Energy Policy Recalibration &amp; Carbon Market Impacts</b> 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
20:30 23:30	<b>IETA Nightcap Party</b> (Limited capacity, separate paid ticket required for entrance via <a href="http://www.northamericacimatesummit.com">www.northamericacimatesummit.com</a> ) 📍 Offsite

**DAY 3****THURSDAY**  
25 SEPTEMBER

08:30	<b>Registration &amp; Welcome Breakfast</b>
09:30	📍 Registration 'Gallery Foyer' (4th Floor)
09:00	<b>Side Event 9 – Organised by Tokio Marine &amp; Nichido Fire Insurance: Insurance as a Catalyst to Enhance Carbon Credit Integrity</b>
10:00	📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor)
09:00	<b>Side Event 10 – Organised by Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES): Energy Transition Credits – A New Strategy for Power Sector Decarbonization (By Invitation)</b>
10:00	To attend, please contact Clare Sierawski sierawskic@c2es.org 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)
10:10	<b>Plenary 5 – Voluntary Carbon Market: Building Towards Consensus and Scale</b>
11:15	📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
11:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>
11:30	📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)
11:30	<b>Breakout 5 – The New Paradigm for International Carbon Markets: Article 6, CORSIA and the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM)</b>
12:30	📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
11:30	<b>Breakout 6 – Maple Leaf Markets: Spotlight on Canada's Carbon Markets</b>
12:30	📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)
12:30	<b>Networking Lunch</b>
13:30	📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)
13:30	<b>Side Event 11 – Organised by Climate Action Reserve (CAR): A Forward Look at High Potential Emerging Carbon Project Types</b>
14:30	📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)
13:30	<b>Side Event 12 – Organised by Hedera Foundation: Future of Digitalization &amp; Carbon Markets</b>
14:30	📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor)
14:40	<b>Breakout 7 – Engineered Removals &amp; Geo-Storage: Where we are and Why It matters</b>
15:30	📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
14:40	<b>Breakout 8 – Toward Data Standardization &amp; Interoperability: Landscape and Outlook</b>
15:30	📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)
15:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>
16:00	📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)
16:00	<b>Plenary 6 – Carbon Accounting, Markets and Competitiveness: From Chaos to Coherence?</b>
17:00	📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)
17:00	<b>Closing Reflections by Dirk Forrister, President &amp; CEO - IETA</b>
17:10	📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

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**09:00** Workshop 1 – Creating the Conditions for Success: How to Develop Legal Frameworks to Grow Carbon Markets  
**10:00** 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

Having an effective market and legal framework in place can mitigate many of the risks and challenges associated with deploying capital at scale into emissions reductions. This session will explore some elements of successful frameworks and how they resolve risks around various market issues such as claims, prices, demand, regulation and host country risk.

**Moderator:**

👤 **Richard Saines**, Partner - Arden Climate

**Speakers:**

- 👤 **Mathilde Mignot**, Group Director - EcoAct/Schneider Electric
- 👤 **Anna Hickey**, Partner, Climate Projects and M&A - Phillip Lee
- 👤 **Helen Bowdren**, Partner - Dentons
- 👤 **Ruth Dagan**, Partner - Herzog Law

**09:00** IETA Members Meeting – IETA Council  
**12:00** 📍 Boardroom 'Villard Studio' (4th Floor)

**10:00** Coffee Break  
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**10:30** Workshop 2 – Trade Tensions: Carbon, Competitiveness, and Border Adjustments  
**11:30** 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

Join academics and practitioners for a workshop discussing what US tariffs and the recent US–EU trade Framework Agreement may mean for carbon markets and the EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM). The workshop will also review what changes are being considered by the European Commission in its CBAM simplification package. We will map the decision calendar through late-2025, clarify near-term rulemaking milestones, and pin down when reporting turns into paying.



**Moderator:**

👤 Tom Lawler, DC Representative - IETA

**Keynote Remarks:**

👤 Constance Chalchat, Chief Sustainability Officer - BNP Paribas Global Markets

**Speakers:**

👤 Stuart Evans, Chief Economist - Fastmarkets

👤 Trevor Sutton, Director, Program on Trade and the Clean Energy Transition - Center for Global Energy Policy, Columbia University

👤 Olivia Windorf, US Policy Fellow - Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES)

10:30 **IETA Members Meeting – VCM Working Group**  
12:00 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)

11:45 **Workshop 3 – Insuring Risk in Carbon Markets: An Overview of Emerging Solutions**  
12:45 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

This workshop will review the increasing role insurance is expected to play in carbon markets. As insurance is often touted as a solution to improve market integrity by addressing various operational and political risks, specific products are being developed, raising high expectations among market participants and policymakers. During this session, experts from insurers, underwriters, brokers and multilateral institutions will present how to contribute to the growth of carbon markets and discuss what the future of carbon insurance may look like.

**Moderator:**

👤 Andrea Bonzanni, International Policy Director - IETA

**Presenters:**

👤 Racheal Notto, Head of Carbon Markets - Kita

👤 Holly Roberts-Harry, Sustainable Finance Solutions Lead - Howden Group

👤 Chris Slater, Founder & CEO - Oka

👤 KyooWon Oh, Senior Underwriter, MIGA - World Bank Group

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13:00 **NACS Media Briefing (For Media & Press Only)**  
14:00 📍 Boardroom 'Villard Studio' (4th Floor)

The media briefing brings together IETA staff and members of the media community to discuss issues of interest. At this year's briefing IETA will present new reports and guidance on Geostorage as well as the updated VCM Guidelines and will introduce a new initiative from ICROA.

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 15:00 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

This high-profile session will look at how corporates are using Super Pollutants in their portfolios given Cool Effect recent announcement with Google and use of satellite technology from Carbon Mapper to help ensure high quality.

**Moderator:**

👤 Jodi Manning, CEO - Cool Effect

**Speakers:**

- 👤 Randy Spock, Head of Carbon - Google
- 👤 Marcelo Mena, Head - Global Methane Hub
- 👤 Riley Duren, Head - Carbon Mapper
- 👤 Rahul Barua, Head of Carbon Procurement - Salesforce

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 16:20 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

Despite federal attacks on climate progress, U.S. states can still collectively help the nation reach its climate goals while simultaneously delivering real, proactive affordability solutions to their communities. We'll explore innovative analyses that showcase how powerful pollution-cutting policies designed to achieve emissions targets can advance affordability in states.

**Moderator:**

👤 Pam Kiely, Associate Vice President for U.S. Region - Environmental Defense Fund

**Panelists:**

- 👤 Jacqui Irwin, Member - California State Assembly, USA
- 👤 Dallas Burtraw, Darius Gaskins Senior Fellow - Resources for the Future
- 👤 Jonah Kurman-Faber, Founder & Principal - Greenline Insights

15:20 **Side Event 2 – Organised by Fastmarkets: Carbon Markets Reshaping Forest Value Chains**  
 16:20 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)

A discussion on the carbon business models reshaping forest value chains. From optimizing returns from existing forest assets, to scaling high quality afforestation and reforestation, and tapping the market for durable carbon dioxide removals through bioenergy with CCS. Experts from Fastmarkets, Manulife, CO280, and Chestnut Carbon share insights on financing, demand, and innovation.

**Presenters:**

👤 Mary Ellen Aronow, Senior Director, Forest and Carbon Economics - Manulife Investment Management

- 👤 Jonathan Rhone, Co-Founder & CEO - CO280
- 👤 Jesse Mosier, General Counsel - Chestnut Carbon

**15:20** **Side Event 3 – Organised by Elevate Climate: Lessons Learned from California’s Battle Over Cap-and-Trade**  
**16:20** 📍 Side Event Room ‘French Forum 3’ (5th Floor)

California’s cap-and-trade reauthorization was a prolonged policy standoff, marked by quiet negotiations and shifting alliances, ultimately intensifying at the eleventh hour. This panel traces the winding legislative path to reauthorization, spotlighting key players, contentious issues, and pivotal moments. Explore the lessons learned from this complex climate policy process and what lies ahead for California.

**Presenters:**

- 👤 Clayton Munnings, Chairman of the Board - Elevate Climate
- 👤 Alicia Robinson, CEO - Elevate Climate
- 👤 Emily Wimberger, Managing Partner - Hua Nani Partners

**16:30** **Side Event 4 – Organised by Verra: Let’s Talk About All of the Elephants in the Carbon Room**  
**17:30** 📍 Plenary Room ‘Morgan Forum’ (4th Floor)

This session tackles the toughest questions of carbon markets head-on – market infighting, interplay of voluntary and compliance markets, corporate use cases, project reviews, the market’s financial stability, and more. The real elephant, however, is the lack of demand—and this conversation will reframe market integrity as the foundation for mobilizing the buyers needed to deliver climate impact at scale.

**Moderator:**

- 👤 Mandy Rambharos, CEO - Verra

**Speakers:**

- 👤 Margaret Kim, CEO - Gold Standard
- 👤 Rich Gilmore, CEO - Carbon Growth Partners
- 👤 Rita Hite, CEO - American Forest Foundation
- 👤 Jennifer Jenkins, Chief Science Officer - Rubicon Carbon
- 👤 Michael Gillenwater, Executive Director - GHG Institute

**16:30** **Side Event 5 – Organised by Equitable Earth: The New Alternative for REDD+**  
**17:30** 📍 Breakout Room ‘French Forum 1 & 2’ (5th Floor)

Join the conversation on the future of REDD+ at New York Climate Week. Join us, as part of the IETA North American Climate Summit, to discover how Equitable Earth is driving the market forward, creating a new path and alternative for REDD+ certification that’s science-based, community-grounded, and market-ready.

**Presenters:**

- 👤 Judith Simon, COO - Equitable Earth
- 👤 Sam Lampert, Director of External Relations - Equitable Earth
- 👤 Hannah Robinson, Director of Secretariat - Equitable Earth



**16:30** | **Side Event 6 – Organised by TUV SUD: Financing Industrial Decarbonization - Building Trust Across Global Value Chains**

**17:30**

📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor)

Mobilizing green finance for industrial decarbonization requires confidence in data, standards, and measurable outcomes. Yet, trust gaps across borders and supply chains often hinder the flow of capital where it is most needed. This panel will look at how robust verification, harmonized standards, and innovative financial mechanisms, can build credibility and scale investments. The discussion will provide a forward-looking glimpse into insights from the upcoming IRENA AFID workgroup publication.

**Moderator:**

👤 **Bratin Roy**, Chair of Finance WG AFID & Global Head of Decarbonisation, TÜV SÜD

**Presenters:**

👤 **Gurbuz Gonul**, Director, Country Engagement and Partnerships - IRENA

👤 **Zafar Samadov**, Programme Officer Partnership - IRENA

**Speakers:**

👤 **Kamesh Iyer**, Senior Advisor - Global Carbon Council (GCC)

👤 **Thomas Blackburn**, Vice President - SustainCert

👤 **Dana Richard MacKinnon**, Head of Financial Institutions & Lending - Sponsor

**17:30** | **North America Climate Summit Welcome Reception**

**18:45**

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08:45 | 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

**Organiser Welcome Address:**

👤 Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

**Armchair Conversation with:**

👤 Liane Randolph, Chair - California Air Resources Board (CARB), USA

**Armchair Conversation with:**

👤 Keith Tuffley, CEO - Race to Belem Initiative

08:50 | **Plenary 1 – Emissions Trading Goes Global: Carbon Markets Around the World**  
10:00 | 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

This high-level plenary will take stock of the implementation of market-based carbon pricing instruments around the world. Senior experts from governments, the private sector and multilateral institutions will discuss the state of emissions trading in their jurisdictions and their expectations for the future. As the impact of carbon market expands to new jurisdictions and deepens to new sector, this session will review good practices and past mistakes, aiming to identify key lessons for policymakers and market participants.

**Moderator:**

👤 Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA

**Opening Remarks & Speakers:**

👤 Heike Henn, Director General, International Climate Action - Federal Ministry for the Environment, Climate Action, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMUKN)

👤 Benedict Chia, Director General - National Climate Change Secretariat (NCCS), Singapore

👤 Aloisio Melo, Secretary of Environment - Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, Brazil

👤 Dharsono Hartono, Permanent Chair, ASEAN Alliance on Carbon Markets (AACM) & CEO, Rimba Makmur Utama

👤 Hannah Hauman, Head of Carbon Trading - Trafigura

👤 Guy Turner, Head of Carbon Markets - MSCI

10:00 **Coffee Break**  
10:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)

10:30 **Plenary 2 – Market Infrastructure to Scale Carbon Credit Markets**  
11:30 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

This high-level session will look at the enabling market infrastructure factors to scale the market and unlock climate finance.

**Chair:**

👤 **Annette Nazareth**, Chair - ICVCM

**Moderator:**

👤 **Rostin Behnam**, Distinguished Fellow - Psaros Center for Financial Markets and Policy, Georgetown University

**Speakers:**

👤 **Unathi Kamlana**, Commissioner - Financial Sector Conduct Authority (FSCA), South Africa

👤 **Valerie Hickey**, Global Director for Climate Change - World Bank

👤 **Federico Di Credico**, Interim CEO - CAD Trust

👤 **Paula Vanlaningham**, Director, Carbon Research - LSEG Data & Analytics

👤 **Mike Zehetmayr**, Partner - EY

11:40 **Breakout 1 – Part 1: Underdogs of Carbon Markets - Scaling Emerging Carbon Solutions for Global Impact**  
12:25 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

Not all carbon projects are created equal—some, like blue carbon ecosystems and low-carbon agriculture, especially in Asia, remain underrepresented despite their huge climate potential. Why is this so, and what will it take to bring these underdog solutions to the forefront? Hear about opportunities, challenges, and innovative mechanisms to support the next wave of global carbon projects.

**Master of Ceremony:**

👤 **Sian Nee Ho**, Regional Director, Americas - Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB)

**Moderator:**

👤 **Wey-Len Lim**, Executive Vice President and Member of EXCO - Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB)

**Speakers:**

👤 **Frederick Teo**, CEO - GenZero

👤 **Dan Kalafatas**, Chairman & Co-Founder - 3Degrees

👤 **Emily Landis**, Global Climate & Ocean Director - The Nature Conservancy

12:25 **Breakout 1 – Part 2: Premiere of Blue Catalyst: Blue Carbon Innovation Challenge**  
12:40 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

Blue Catalyst aims to accelerate technology-driven solutions that support the development of high-integrity blue carbon credit projects. The challenge focuses on overcoming key technical barriers in project development and MRV (Measurement, Reporting, and Verification), enabling blue carbon projects to scale effectively and generate credible, high-quality carbon credits. The premiere of Blue Catalyst: Blue Carbon Innovation Challenge will be announced by WWF, Hatch Blue and the Singapore EDB.

**Master of Ceremony:**

👤 **Sian Nee Ho**, Regional Director, Americas - Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB)



Addresses by:

- 👤 Vivek Kumar, CEO - WWF Singapore
- 👤 Wayne Murphy, Co-Founder & Partner - Hatch Blue
- 👤 Wey-Len Lim, Executive Vice President and Member of EXCO - Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB)

**11:40 Breakout 2 – Analysts’ Roundtable: North America Carbon Market Pricing, Forecasts and Outlooks**

**12:40** 📍 Breakout Room ‘French Forum 1 & 2’ (5th Floor)

Back by popular demand: the Summit’s annual North America Carbon Analysts’ Roundtable! Hear from the world’s leading carbon analysts as they provide their latest analyses, forecasts and insights on trends. US carbon markets have eased back from their earlier strong levels as lawmakers and regulators have struggled to approve reforms and renewals of the state-level cap-and-trade systems. Analysts will review the state of the various markets and the outlook for prices in the coming months and years.

Moderator:

- 👤 Alessandro Vitelli, Communications Advisor - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 Bo Qin, Head of Americas, Environmental Markets - BNEF
- 👤 Jennifer McIsaac, Chief Market Intelligence Officer - ClearBlue
- 👤 Reed Shapiro, Director of Environmental Markets, North American - Xpansiv

**12:40 Networking Lunch**

**13:40** 📍 Carbon Market Lounge ‘Gallery’ (4th Floor)

**13:40 Plenary 3 – North America Subnational Climate Leadership & Cooperation**

**14:40** 📍 Plenary Room ‘Morgan Forum’ (4th Floor)

While national politics dominate headlines, certain US states and Canadian provinces continue to showcase the most consistent and dynamic leadership on climate action, market solutions and cross-border cooperation. Their actions reverberate globally. This annual Summit Plenary brings together subnational leaders – from California and Washington State to Alberta to New York – to discuss state of climate action, their carbon markets and what their success means to business & investors.

Moderator:

- 👤 Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

Speakers:

- 👤 Patrick McDonald, Assistant Deputy Minister - Alberta Environment and Protected Areas
- 👤 Sanjay Seth, Deputy Environmental Commissioner - New York State
- 👤 Jean-Yves Benoit, Director General - Quebec Ministry of Environment and Fight Against Climate Change
- 👤 Joel Creswell, Climate Pollution Program Manager - Washington State Department of Ecology
- 👤 Sharon Tomkins, Chief Sustainability Officer - TC Energy

**14:00 By Invitation – Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB) Catalyzing Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) Production and Adoption Roundtable**

**16:00** 📍 Side Event Room ‘French Forum 3’ (5th Floor)

Organised by EDB, for more information please contact Rovik Jeremiah, [Rovik\\_Jeremiah\\_ROBERT@edb.gov.sg](mailto:Rovik_Jeremiah_ROBERT@edb.gov.sg)

**14:50 Breakout 3 – Nature-Based Removals and Reductions: Is Durability Nature’s Achilles’ Heel?**

**15:50** 📍 Plenary Room ‘Morgan Forum’ (4th Floor)

Shifting discourse on durability and integrity is impacting policy formation and market preferences for nature-based removals and reductions. While analysis repeatedly confirms that nature offers a huge near-term opportunity for both removals and reductions, market activity and policy developments have been placing an increasing focus on permanence and durability as a reason to be cautious about nature. This panel will provide insight into permanence in nature-based reductions and removals, assessing how the market is adjusting to the shifting demand landscape.

**Moderator:**

👤 **Peter Ellis**, Global Director of Natural Climate Solutions Science - The Nature Conservancy (TNC)

**Speakers:**

- 👤 **Jonathan Kim**, CSO - Terraformation
- 👤 **Rebekah Braswell**, CEO - Land Life
- 👤 **Stuart Rowland**, Founder & CEO - Revalue
- 👤 **Max Dubuisson**, VP Head of Impact and Integrity - Indigo Ag
- 👤 **Johanna Depenthal**, Director of Project Research - Cool Effect

**14:50 Breakout 4 – Carbon at the Crossroads: Subnational Markets, Law, and What to Watch**

**15:50** 📍 Breakout Room ‘French Forum 1 & 2’ (5th Floor)

As California, Washington, and the U.S. Northeast advance cap-and-trade and cap-and-invest programs, the rules of the game for carbon are shifting fast. At the same time, legal challenges to state authority, new climate accountability and disclosure requirements, and emerging oversight of VCMs are creating both risks and opportunities. How are businesses adapting to overlapping policies? Where do legal uncertainties meet commercial opportunity? And what comes next for subnational carbon markets that are shaping the U.S. climate economy from the ground up?

**Moderator:**

👤 **Justin Johnson**, US Northeast Representative - IETA

**Speakers:**

- 👤 **Katelyn Roedner Sutter**, California State Director - EDF
- 👤 **Alicia Robinson**, CEO - Elevate Climate
- 👤 **Andrew McKeon**, Executive Director - RGGI
- 👤 **Teresa Lang**, Senior Director Policy - Anew Climate
- 👤 **Nico van Aelstyn**, Partner - Sheppard Mullin

**15:00 By Invitation – WCI Board Meeting**

**17:00** 📍 Boardroom ‘Villard Studio’ (4th Floor)

**15:50 Coffee Break**

**16:20** 📍 Carbon Market Lounge ‘Gallery’ (4th Floor)

**16:20 Side Event 7 – Organised by the Global Heat Reduction Initiative (GHR) - Too Hot to Ignore: Unlocking Near-Term Wins to Cool the Planet**

**17:20** 📍 Breakout Room ‘French Forum 1 & 2’ (5th Floor)

Climate strategies have long relied on the GWP100 standard, the foundational metric that equates greenhouse gases to carbon dioxide over 100 years. While carbon remains essential, this approach misses the opportunity to mitigate nearly 50% of the most fast-acting and potent warming pollutants. This session will explore why companies and governments are investing in near-term mitigation (like Google’s recent partnership to eliminate 25k tonnes of super pollutants) alongside net-zero strategies, and the future of this game-changing approach.



**Moderator:**

👤 **Kiff Gallagher**, Founding Executive Director - Global Heat Reduction Initiative (GHR)

**Speakers:**

- 👤 **David Babson**, Executive Vice President, Climate & Energy - XPRIZE
- 👤 **Hara Wang**, Co-Founder, Chief Programs Officer - Cascade Climate
- 👤 **Gabrielle Dreyfus**, Chief Scientist - IGSD

**16:20 - 17:20 Side Event 8 – Organised by 1PointFive: Making the Digital Issuance of Direct Air Capture (DAC) Credits a Reality - Scaling High-Integrity Carbon Removal with Microsoft’s ECS Platform**  
 📍 Side Event Room ‘French Forum 3’ (5th Floor)

Discover how 1PointFive is transforming CDR issuance into high-integrity digital DAC credits - delivering speed, transparency, and trust. Learn how technology, data, and collaboration are unlocking the future of issuing carbon removal credits at scale.

**Moderator:**

👤 **William Barrett**, Vice President of Product Development, 1PointFive & Commercial Director, Oxy Low Carbon Ventures

**Speakers:**

- 👤 **To be announced** - Microsoft
- 👤 **Ashraf Wardeh**, Director IT, LCV Digital and Tech - 1PointFive
- 👤 **Marley Gray**, CDR Platforms IT Lead - 1PointFive
- 👤 **Joe Dell’Orfano**, Chief Technology Officer - Verra
- 👤 **Jamie Burrows**, Global Segment Lead CCUS - DNV

**17:30 - 18:30 Plenary 4 – US Energy Policy Recalibration & Carbon Market Impacts**  
 📍 Plenary Room ‘Morgan Forum’ (4th Floor)

This session unpacks recent reversals, reinterpretations, and enforcement shifts in Washington, situating them within the broader landscape of evolving U.S. energy policy. Shifts in load demand are reshaping how large electricity customers manage their footprints, while tax credits and policy changes are driving new market dynamics. Speakers will highlight implications for compliance markets and the voluntary carbon market (VCM), while exploring near-term opportunities, emerging pathways, and potential bright spots for market participants.

**Moderator:**

👤 **Tom Lawler**, DC Representative - IETA

**Speakers:**

- 👤 **Charles Hernick**, Head of Environmental Policy - Amazon
- 👤 **Kenneth Markowitz**, Partner, Climate Change - Akin
- 👤 **Anthony Cottone**, CEO - 1PointFive
- 👤 **Staci Taruscio**, CEO - Rebellion Energy
- 👤 **Lisa DeMarco**, CEO & Senior Partner - Resilient

**20:30 - 23:30 IETA Nightcap Party**  
 (Limited capacity, separate paid ticket required for entrance via [www.northamericacimatesummit.com](http://www.northamericacimatesummit.com))  
 📍 Offsite

**DAY 3** THURSDAY  
25 SEPTEMBER

08:30 **Registration & Welcome Breakfast**  
09:30 📍 Registration 'Gallery Foyer' (4th Floor)

09:00 **Side Event 9 – Organised by Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance: Insurance as a Catalyst to Enhance Carbon**  
10:00 **Credit Integrity**  
📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor)

On top of its payment function, insurers are capable to identify and evaluate the underlying risks. This session sheds light on how insurers' expertise could be tapped into to strengthen carbon credit integrity against various risk factors, including human rights abuses, to help scale carbon markets.

**Moderator:**

👤 **Andrea Bonzanni**, International Policy Director - IETA

**Keynote Presentation:**

👤 **Masaaki Nagamura**, Fellow International Initiatives - Tokio Marine Holdings

**Speakers:**

👤 **Kosho Tamura**, Project Manager, Climate Change Policy Sect. Sustainability Dept. - Tokyo Gas

👤 **Sakon Kuramoto**, Managing Attorney - Kuramoto International Law Office

👤 **Kerry Liebenberg**, Partner - Linklaters

👤 **Nathalie Flores**, Vice-President, Carbon Markets and Strategic Accounts, StoneX & Former UNFCCC SBSTA Co-Chair

09:00 **Side Event 10 – Organised by Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES): Energy Transition Credits – A**  
10:00 **New Strategy for Power Sector Decarbonization (By Invitation)**  
To attend, please contact Clare Sierawski [sierawskic@c2es.org](mailto:sierawskic@c2es.org)  
📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)

Kinetic Coalition will introduce energy transition credits - new high-integrity, high-impact carbon credits to enable power system transformation in emerging economies. This closed-door convening will showcase a sector-based crediting approach being developed by Winrock Environmental Resources Trust and implementation progress in the Dominican Republic with the World Bank.

**Roundtable Facilitator:**

👤 **Clare Sierawski**, Managing Director, Kinetic Coalition - Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES)

**Remarks by:**

👤 **Dirk Forrister**, President & CEO - IETA

**Speakers:**

👤 **Roberta Barbieri**, Vice President of Global Sustainability - PepsiCo

👤 **Ben Feldman**, Managing Director - Winrock ERT

👤 **Phillip Hannam**, Senior Energy Economist - World Bank

👤 **Chris Davis**, Business Engagement Director, Kinetic Coalition - Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES)

👤 **Karan Kapoor**, Country Engagement Director, Kinetic Coalition - Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES)



**10:10 Plenary 5 – Voluntary Carbon Market: Building Towards Consensus and Scale**

**11:15** 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

Over the past few years diverging guidance has created uncertainty on the use of credits to support corporate net zero, challenging the aspiration to scale carbon markets. This panel will review recent guidance and address the challenge head on. Are we getting closer? Is there light at the end of the tunnel and what else is required? We start with sharing IETA's work on the updated Guidelines for High Integrity Use of Credits.

**Moderator & Launch Presentation of the IETA Guidelines:**

🗣️ **Andrea Abrahams**, Managing Director, VCM - IETA

**Speakers:**

🗣️ **Mark Kenber**, Executive Director - VCMI/The Coalition

🗣️ **Chris Leeds**, Co-chair CIWP7 - ICVCM/Standard Charter

🗣️ **Campbell Moore**, MD Carbon Markets - The Nature Conservancy

🗣️ **Ravi Raichoor**, Special Adviser Carbon Markets & Climate Finance - African Union Development Agency NEPAD

🗣️ **Donee Alexander**, Chief Carbon Officer - Bridge Carbon

**11:00 Coffee Break**

**11:30** 📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)

**11:30 Breakout 5 – The New Paradigm for International Carbon Markets: Article 6, CORSIA and the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM)**

**12:30** 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)

The emergence of true market activity under Article 6.2 and CORSIA, as well as moves from multiple compliance markets to accept the use of credits, represent a significant shift in international carbon markets. At the same time, the work to operationalize the Paris Agreement Crediting Mechanism (PACM) has accelerated over the last twelve months. These developments herald a new paradigm, where Article 6.2, Article 6.4, CORSIA, domestic compliance and VCM use cases overlap and intersect in new and often unpredictable ways.

**Moderator:**

🗣️ **Andrea Bonzanni**, International Policy Director - IETA

**Scene-Setting:**

🗣️ **Ben Rattenbury**, Vice President, Policy - Sylvera

**Speakers:**

🗣️ **Molly Peters Stanley**, Chairperson - Technical Advisor Body (TAB), ICAO CORSIA

🗣️ **Mary Grady**, Executive Director - Winrock International

🗣️ **Ruth Dagan**, Partner - Herzog Law

🗣️ **Tyler Manchester**, Head of Voluntary Carbon - CFP Energy

**11:30 Breakout 6 – Maple Leaf Markets: Spotlight on Canada's Carbon Markets**

**12:30** 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)

This session blasts a spotlight on Canada's climate policies and its always-evolving carbon market landscape, unpacking the current state of federal and provincial carbon markets, as well as how Canada's supporting carbon market development globally. Walk away with a better understanding of Canada's dynamic yet complicated web of decarbonization policies, market interactions, linkage opportunities and what the future potentially has in store for these 'maple leaf markets'.

**Moderator:**

👤 Rina Cerrato, Chief Commercial Officer - GreenStar Royalties

**Speakers:**

👤 Dave Sawyer, Chief Economist - Canadian Climate Institute

👤 Karen Haugen Kozyra, President - Viresco Solutions

👤 Bennett Chin, Director, Global Markets and Co-Lead Carbon Advisory - BMO Capital Markets

👤 Joseph Pallant, CEO - Great Bear Carbon

12:30 **Networking Lunch**

13:30 📍 Carbon Market Lounge 'Gallery' (4th Floor)

13:30 **Side Event 11 – Organised by Climate Action Reserve (CAR): A Forward Look at High Potential Emerging Carbon Project Types**

14:30 📍 Breakout Room 'French Forum 1 & 2' (5th Floor)

A critical element to the VCM's evolution is the addition of innovative project types with high potential. These new project types are based on advancements in science, technology and practices and present opportunities for significant impact. Experts will discuss promising project types and challenges for the projects to be successful.

**Presenters:**

👤 McKenzie Smith, Associate Director - Climate Action Reserve

👤 Reid Calhoun, Founder & CEO - ClimateWells

👤 Erin Horleman, Senior Director of Voluntary Carbon - 3Degrees

👤 Holly Davison, Associate Director of Programs - Climate Action Reserve

13:30 **Side Event 12 – Organised by Hedera Foundation: Future of Digitalization & Carbon Markets**

14:30 📍 Side Event Room 'French Forum 3' (5th Floor)

This session will explore how digital tools –from project design to issuance– enhance transparency, efficiency, and trust in carbon markets through digital MRV and emerging innovations. It will address key challenges and opportunities where technology and market integrity converge with finance, while offering a glimpse into what's to come for the future of carbon markets.

**Presenters:**

👤 Wes Geisenberger, Vice President of Sustainability & ESG - HBAR, Inc., a Hedera Foundation SEZC Company

👤 Gautam Prajapati, Founder - Straatos / CarbonMarketsHQ

**Moderator:**

👤 Nathalie Flores, Vice-President, Carbon Markets and Strategic Accounts - StoneX

**Speakers:**

👤 Francisca Garay, Co-Founder & COO - Straatos

👤 Benoît Clément, Advisory Board Member - Evercity

👤 Joe Dell'Orfano, Chief Technology Officer - Verra



**14:40 Breakout 7 – Engineered Removals & Geo-Storage: Where we are and Why It matters**

**15:30** 📍 Plenary Room ‘Morgan Forum’ (4th Floor)

Join this session to better understand the potential impact and opportunities associated with Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR) and Carbon Capture, Use and Storage (CCUS). As corporate and government net-zero commitments draw near, more investment and demand for these solutions are set to grow. What is the current state of these CDR/CCUS markets (both compliance and voluntary), methodologies and investments? How might countries and corporates benefit through markets and cooperation to scale these solutions?

**Moderator:**

👤 Jean-Philippe Brisson, Partner - Latham & Watkins

**Speakers:**

👤 Ilaria Parrella, Emissions Abatement Executive Director - Baker Hughes

👤 Eugene Zamastysyanin, Director Commercial - 1PointFive

👤 John Pope, President & CEO - Carbon GeoCapture

👤 Alvin Lee, Head of Supply - Puro.earth

**14:40 Breakout 8 – Toward Data Standardization & Interoperability: Landscape and Outlook**

**15:30** 📍 Breakout Room ‘French Forum 1 & 2’ (5th Floor)

Increasing data standardization and interoperability in digital infrastructure was emphasized by the World Bank and IETA as key building blocks to scale carbon markets in 2025. Several key initiatives have been addressing complementary parts of the puzzle, led by the G20 Sustainable Finance Working Group, the Carbon Data Open Protocol, the CAD Trust, and major independent crediting programs. Work is also ongoing at the ICVCM and ISO. This panel gathers representatives of key efforts to assess and clarify the state of affairs and discuss next steps.

**Moderator:**

👤 Ieva Steponaviciute, Director, Strategy & Outreach - Climate Action Data Trust

**Speakers:**

👤 Alice Carr, Managing Director - Climate Data Steering Committee (CDSC)

👤 Chris Canavan, CEO - GCMU

👤 Mikela Waldman, Senior Manager, Market Engagement - ICVCM

👤 Shao Hua Ng, Senior Manager (Global Partnerships) - National Climate Change Secretariat (NCCS), Singapore

**15:30 Coffee Break**

**16:00** 📍 Carbon Market Lounge ‘Gallery’ (4th Floor)

**16:00 Plenary 6 – Carbon Accounting, Markets and Competitiveness: From Chaos to Coherence?**

**17:00** 📍 Plenary Room ‘Morgan Forum’ (4th Floor)

Like never before, carbon accounting has captured the 2025 spotlight. But the space has never been more fragmented or challenging to navigate. The result: reporting and accounting systems that don't reflect reality, and carbon markets struggling to scale when the world needs them most. How should mitigation actions be accounted for when guidance lags behind? How can companies credibly report progress toward diverse climate targets? Join this special Closing Plenary to cut through the confusion and chart where accounting should go next.

**Moderator:**

👤 Katie Sullivan, Managing Director - IETA

**Speakers:**

- 👤 Janet Peace, Head of Advisory and Policy - Anew Climate
- 👤 Chris Davis, Senior Fellow - Climate Policy and Markets Initiative and Task Force for Climate Action Transparency (TCAT)
- 👤 Kiff Gallagher, Founding Executive Director - Global Heat Reduction Initiative (GHR)
- 👤 Kevin Birn, Head of Carbon and the Centre for Emissions Excellence - S&P Global

17:00 **Closing Reflections by Dirk Forrister, President & CEO - IETA**  
17:10 📍 Plenary Room 'Morgan Forum' (4th Floor)



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 **Jodi Manning, CEO - Cool Effect**

“For over a decade, we have cultivated and shared deep expertise in carbon markets. We are excited to be returning for another NACS, a key venue that continues to bring together a dynamic and expanding community dedicated to sharing learnings and advancing these markets.”

 **Clayton Munnings, Chairman of the Board - Elevate Climate**

“Equitable Earth has pioneered a standard that accelerates a path forward for high-quality nature-based carbon projects, partnering closely with communities to drive real benefits for climate, nature, and livelihoods. We're proud to be part of the NACS, and engage with market leaders and policymakers advancing credible, scalable solutions in the carbon markets.”

 **Judith Simon, COO - Equitable Earth**

“Carbon markets are redefining commodity value chains – unlocking forest revenue, accelerating SAF demand through CORSIA, and reshaping global metals trading through CBAM. Robust intelligence is essential to navigate these shifts. We are looking forward to productive exchanges at NACS2025.”

 **Stuart Evans, Chief Economist - Fastmarkets**

“Hedera Foundation proudly supports market leaders and NACS scaling environmental integrity initiatives, bringing our planet's balance sheet to the public ledger to drive transparency, accountability, and impactful innovation.”

 **Wes Geisenberger, VP Sustainability & ESG - Hedera Foundation**

“We are proud to highlight women in energy at NACS! Our woman-led company is showcasing five female leaders tackling the orphan well climate crisis through bold carbon finance solutions.”

 **Christina Robertson, Chief Marketing Officer - Rebellion Energy**

“Total Climate Accounting reveals the near-term impact of super pollutants and enables the highest return for climate investments. We proudly join the NACS community to build a viable bridge to 2050.”

 **Kiff Gallagher, Executive Director and Co-Founder - GHR**

“The transition to a decarbonized society is critical to our global future, and carbon markets are set to play a key role in this transition. At NACS, Tokio Marine is excited to demonstrate how innovative insurance solutions address the full spectrum of risks, showcasing the vital role of insurance in scaling carbon markets to support climate targets.”

 **Masaaki Nagamura, Fellow for International Initiatives on Climate-Related Issues - Tokio Marine Group**

“We, at TÜV SÜD, help build trusted carbon markets by uniting digitalisation, independent verification, and integrity frameworks to ensure transparency and measurable climate impact. We look forward to being a part of NACS 2025.”

 **Bratin Roy, Global Head of Decarbonization - TÜV SÜD**

“At Verra, we believe that the future of carbon markets lies at the intersection of the credible and the incredible. As a leading carbon standard setter, we are proud to join IETA's NACS in advancing markets that deliver real climate results, mobilize finance at scale, and unlock opportunities for people and planet alike.”

 **Mandy Rambharos, CEO - Verra**

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### Economic Development Board (EDB), Singapore

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### Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWE)


The major trends of the 21st century, notably globalisation, digitisation, demographic change, recent developments within the EU, and the energy transition all represent major challenges for German business to tackle. If we are to successfully address these issues, we need to make our social market economy shipshape for the future. This is the over-arching task for the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy.

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### Global Heat Reduction Initiative (GHR)

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### Rebellion Energy Solutions



Rebellion Energy Solutions is a woman-led company dedicated to climate innovation. We transform orphaned oil and gas wells into certified carbon credit projects that cut methane, restore land, and reduce greenhouse gases. By aligning with UN Sustainable Development Goals, we advance environmental and community resilience across the U.S. with measurable climate impact.

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### Equitable Earth



Equitable Earth (formerly ERS) is a global standard for conservation and restoration projects on the carbon markets. Founded in 2020, the ICVCM-approved programme leverages leading-edge technology to certify projects that deliver real benefits for climate, nature, and livelihoods. Equitable Earth is governed independently and works in close partnership with Indigenous Peoples, local communities, governments, and project developers worldwide.

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### MSCI Carbon Markets

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### Bridge Carbon

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### Kinetic / Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES)

Kinetic Coalition is a non-profit initiative, coordinated by C2ES to enable power sector transformation in emerging economies, providing economic, health, and environmental benefits to local communities. Kinetic Coalition is a new way for companies to invest in the energy transition of emerging economies while reducing value chain emissions.

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### Canadian Climate Institute (CCI)

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A world-leading developer of GHG reduction software to support the world's most important projects and initiatives. CarbonAi offers a suite of software and tools to measure, monitor, manage, and monetize GHG emissions reduction data. Our software automates the aggregation, calculation, verification, and reporting of GHG reductions, streamlining the management of data from diverse, remote GHG reduction sites.

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### EPIC Sustainability

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### Revalue

Creating the most cutting-edge and trusted carbon credits for the planet. Today, nature-based carbon credits fall short. But it's not nature that's the issue—it's how these credits are designed and delivered. That's where Revalue steps in. We're dedicated to protecting and restoring nature; because its positive impact is undeniable.

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### American Petroleum Institute (API)

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We are a women-led, Global South-born program certifying high-integrity carbon, biodiversity, and water projects in alignment with leading international standards. Focused on empowering communities and restoring ecosystems, it leverages advanced technologies to guarantee secure, efficient credit transactions for voluntary and compliance markets.

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### Biofix

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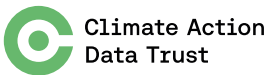
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### Climate Action Data Trust

CAD Trust offers a decentralised, blockchain-powered digital infrastructure that connects registries and provides public access to the information in a harmonised and user-friendly format. Our objective is to maximise the transparency of carbon credits, minimise the risk of double counting, and enhance the overall integrity.

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