



# Net Zero Futures

We are pleased to announce the launch of Net Zero Futures - a new initiative by the Scottish Government in partnership with Bloomberg Philanthropies and the Climate Group.

Net Zero Futures will mobilise global state and regional leadership on net zero emissions while creating a dedicated space to support Under2 Coalition members in setting and delivering on net zero emissions targets.

The initiative, pioneered by the Scottish Government, will connect Under2 Coalition members with existing net zero targets with states and regions interested in increasing their ambition to:

- Participate in peer-learning activities to demystify net zero
- Share learnings and challenges
- Empower states and regions to join the UN's Race to Zero campaign

The first activity of Net Zero Futures is a dialogue series that will run from March to December 2021. Here, state and regional governments will have access to the latest knowledge, science and international expertise on net zero target setting and long-term decarbonisation pathways.

We invite all states and regions to participate in Net Zero Futures activities, and to reach out to Emely Anico with any questions at [eanico@theclimategroup.org](mailto:eanico@theclimategroup.org).



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## Why should your government participate in Net Zero Futures?

1. Peer-learning activities, such as the Net Zero Futures dialogue series, to understand the breadth of global experiences of setting and delivering on net zero targets
2. Knowledge and capacity-building in topics related to institutionalising a net zero target and understanding sectoral pathways - as well as the socio-economic benefits of doing so
3. Access to resources and tools specific to states and regions, such as the Under2 Pathways Framework
4. Participation in a community of like-minded peers to share experiences, propose questions and topics and share best practice on decarbonising economies
5. Empower states and regions to join the UN's Race to Zero and Race to Resilience campaigns ahead of COP26 in Glasgow
6. Invitations to other events and opportunities related to furthering net zero capacity and elevating the voices of states and regions
7. Highlighting the leadership of state and regional governments at a global level

## When will the dialogue series take place?

There will be 6 sessions in the series, in addition to an introductory session and a closing session, between March 2021 and December 2021. The structure of these sessions will include presentations by experts and Net Zero Leaders – state and regional governments that have already set net zero targets – as well as guided discussions among peer governments.

## What will the dialogue series cover?

The 6 sessions will cover the following themes, with topics and questions tailored to the needs of states and regions:

1. Setting a regional net zero target and a long term vision
2. Keeping equity and justice at the center of your state or region's net zero target
3. Developing a pathway to achieve a net zero target
4. Defining sectoral policies to implement a pathway to achieving net zero emissions
5. Engaging stakeholders on sectoral policies and pathways and building resilience
6. Tracking progress towards achieving a vision and a net zero target

## Who can join the dialogue series?

All Under2 Coalition members are invited to attend the full series and benefit from global cooperation on net zero emissions knowledge.



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