

International High-Level Multi-Stakeholder Event on Methane Action

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Maison de la Chimie, 28 rue Saint Dominique 75007 Paris

This high-level, multi-stakeholder event on methane action, organised by France in the context of its G7 Presidency, aims to accelerate global efforts to reduce methane emissions across the main emitting sectors – energy, waste, agriculture –, with a particular focus on the energy sector, which offers the fastest and most cost-effective reduction potential.

The event will convene a broad spectrum of participants from beyond the G7 membership, including ministers and senior officials, industry leaders, financial institutions, scientific experts, and representatives of civil society.

Its objective is to strengthen the momentum of international action on methane ahead of COP 31, providing a platform for tangible announcements and reinforcing signals for increased efforts.

Amid the current energy crisis, the event will underscore that addressing methane remains a critical priority, demonstrating that ambitious climate action can go hand-in-hand with energy security and resilient, efficient practices across sectors.

AGENDA (as of April 30)

8.15 – 9.00	<i>Registration and Welcome Coffee</i>
9.00 – 9.30	Opening – A Call to Action on Methane
9.00 – 9.30	Welcome Address by the French Minister of Ecological Transition Monique Barbut High-level Opening Statements : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prime Minister Mia Mottley, Barbados - Laurent Fabius, COP21 President and Chair of the COP Presidents Circle
9.30 – 10.15	The Scientific Imperative and the Transparency Revolution <i>Facilitation by Eamon Ryan, CCAC High-level advocate</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thomas Lauvaux, Climate scientist LSCE (Laboratoire des Sciences du Climat et de l'Environnement) - Thorsten Fehr, Head of the Earth and Mission Sciences Division, ESA - Laurence Rouil, Director Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service - Martin Krause, Director Climate Division UNEP - Antoine Rostand, CEO Kayrros - Steven Hamburg, Senior Vice-President and Chief Scientist EDF (Environmental Defense Fund) - Tristan Laurent, CEO Absolute Sensing



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Riley Duren, CEO Carbon Mapper - Ailun Yang, International Initiatives Lead Bloomberg Philanthropies
10.15 – 13.00	Methane Mitigation in Energy – Delivering Climate, Economic and Security Benefits
	<i>Facilitation by Tim Gould, Chief Energy Economist IEA</i>
10.15 – 10.30	A Global Overview of Methane - Insights from the IEA’s new Global Methane Tracker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tim Gould, Chief Energy Economist, International Energy Agency
10.30 – 11.15	Policy Progress towards a Near-Zero Methane Emission Fossil Fuel Marketplace: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dan Jorgensen, European Commissioner on Energy and Housing - Video message from Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero Ed Miliband / Emily Shuckburgh, Director General & Chief Scientific Advisor for the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero, United Kingdom - Undersecretary of Energy Hugo Briones, Chile - Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the OECD Jean-François Tremblay, Canada - Ambassador Hideo Suzuki, Japan - Tenioye Majekodunmi, Director General National Council on Climate Change, Presidency of Nigeria
11.15 – 12.00	Industry in the Lead - Voluntary Action on Methane in the Oil & Gas Sector: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kazbek Kussainov, Deputy CEO KazMunayGas - Masoud Suleman Mousa, Chairman National Oil Company Libya - Roberto Dall’Omo, Head of HSEQ at Global Natural Resources, ENI - Guillaume Chalmin, Director OneTech Division TotalEnergies - Camilla Salthe, Executive Vice-President for Safety, Security and Sustainability, Equinor - Ashraf Al-Ghazzawi, Executive Vice-President of Strategy & Corporate Development, Aramco (<i>online</i>) - Ibrahim Nouri, Chief Sustainability Officer ADNOC (<i>online</i>) - Agung Wicaksono, Director of Transformation and Business Sustainability, Pertamina (<i>online</i>) - Bjorn Otto Sverdrup, Chair of OGCI’s Executive Committee/Head of OGDC Secretariat
12.00 – 12.30	The Role of the Financial Sector in Driving Methane Mitigation in Oil & Gas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Renée Tengberg, ESG Director Climate and Nature Nordea Asset Management - Nile Garrington, Portfolio Manager Sustainable investment & Stewardship Strategies CalSTRS - François Humbert, Engagement Lead Manager Generali Asset Management - Meredith Block, Lead ESG Integration & Impact Pimco - Tsitsi Griffiths, Stewardship Manager Federated Hermes
12.30 – 13.00	Beyond Oil and Gas - Tackling the Methane Coal Challenge:



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heike Henn, Director General for International Climate Action, Germany - Dario Liguti, Director, Energy, Housing, and Land Management Division, UNECE - Qi Hu, VP & Chief Representative Environmental Defense Fund China (online) - Martin Krause, Director Climate Division UNEP (for IMEO SMP) - Jenn-Hui Tan, Chief Sustainability Officer Fidelity International
13.00 – 14.30	<i>Networking Buffet Lunch</i>
14.30 – 15.30	Methane from Waste : Unlocking Opportunities
	<p><i>Facilitation by Eamon Ryan, CCAC High-level advocate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adalberto Maluf, National Secretary of Urban Environment and Environmental Air Quality, Brazil - Samed Ağırbaş, COP31 Climate High-Level Champion / President of the Zero Waste Foundation, Turkey - Sébastien Daziano, Strategy and Multifaceted performance Executive VP, Veolia - Martin Raiser, Senior Representative for European Economic Cooperation, World Bank - Chen Huilin, Professor at the School of Atmospheric Sciences, Nanjing University, China - Commissioner for Environment and Water Resources Tokunbo Wahab, Lagos State, Nigeria - Alexandra Monteiro, Solid Waste Activities Coordinator, Agence Française de Développement
15.30 – 16.30	Agriculture : Feeding the World while Cutting Methane Emissions
	<p><i>Facilitation by Eamon Ryan, CCAC High-level advocate</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fabrice Salamanca, Vice-President Global Public Affairs Danone - Pierre Chambon, Managing Director Engie Renewable Gases Europe - Marcelo Mena, CEO Global Methane Hub - Andy Jarvis, Director of Future of Food Bezos Earth Fund - Philippe Manguin, CEO INRAE
16.30 – 17.00	Closing Plenary – The Road Ahead
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COP31 Presidency - Samed Ağırbaş, COP31 Climate High-Level Champion - Laurence Tubiana, CEO European Climate Foundation - Selwin Hart, Special Adviser to the UN Secretary-General on Climate Action and Just Transition