



British Embassy
Berlin

INVITATION

to our free virtual event
on Wednesday, 6 October 2021, 15.00-16.15 CET

Sustainable Finance: How to finance and achieve global decarbonisation

As governments across the world continue to face the challenge of tackling Covid-19, the current crisis also presents an unprecedented opportunity to reboot global economies in a manner that builds more sustainable, inclusive, and resilient societies, in line with the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement. Such a global green recovery is an important focus of the UK Presidencies of the G7 and COP26, the international climate conference, in partnership with Italy who are also holding the G20 Presidency. Both Germany and the UK have taken domestic action to invest in a green recovery, but more still needs to be done at a global level both in industrialised and emerging economies.

How do the UK, Germany and other like-minded countries encourage sustainable finance strategies as a cornerstone to mobilise green investments – at best at an international/global level? How can green investments be incentivised globally, and can central banks play a meaningful role? Are financial markets becoming “greener”? How green are financial markets yet?

Join our virtual event, run jointly by the German Economic Institute (IW) and the British Embassy Berlin, to discuss these and other important questions around the acceleration of global green finance.

Agenda

15:00 – 15:10 **Welcome & Scene setter: the road to COP26 Summit, by the British Embassy**
Nick Alexander, OBE, Counsellor (Global and Economic Issues), British Embassy

15:10 – 16:10 **Panel Discussion “How green are financial markets and where do we go from here?”**

Caroline Haas, Head of Climate and ESG Capital Markets, Natwest Group

Christoph Reißfelder, Head of Liaison Office Berlin, Heidelberg Cement

Philippa Sigl-Glöckner, Director, Dezernat Zukunft – Institut für Makrofinanzen

Elisabetta Siracusa, Principal Adviser, DG FISMA, European Commission

16:10-16:15 **Closing remarks by the German Economic Institute (IW)**
Markus Demary, Senior Economist, German Economic Institute (IW)

This event will be moderated by **Markus Demary** (German Economic Institute (IW)). After registration (approx. one day prior to the event) you will receive an email with the link to the event in MS Teams.