



A BUSINESS PERSPECTIVE ON COP26

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18:30 (GMT)

SCOTTISH POWER HEADQUARTERS (GLASGOW)

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ORGANIZER

CEOE (Spanish Confederation of Industries and Employers)

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EVENT DETAILS

The COP26 side event “A Business Perspectives on COP 26” will take place November 4TH from 18:30 to 20:00 at the Scottish Power Auditorium, in Glasgow ([Google maps](#)).

REGISTRATION

- In person attendees: [here](#) - (registration ends on 27/10)
- Virtual attendees: [here](#)

SESSION DESCRIPTION

This session will explore the role of business in achieving the four goals set by COP26 Presidency with the following set-up:

- One hour and thirty minutes long
- Language: English.

CONTEXT

COP 26 represents a major milestone for climate policy developments. To accelerate the transition, governments need to deliver clear, consistent and bold policy frameworks. Even more, corporate climate leaders must step into the arena of public discussion and political debate, and clearly and confidently make the case for policy ambition. Companies need to build trust and demonstrate progress to key stakeholders. There is no doubt that business is the key provider of solutions to accomplish the environmental challenges we are facing.

UK presidency for COP26 has set four priorities:

1. Secure global net zero by mid-century and keep 1.5 degrees within reach.

Countries are being asked to come forward with ambitious 2030 emissions reductions targets aligned with reaching net zero by the middle of the century. To deliver on these targets, countries will need to put in place robust frameworks allowing the companies and industry to deliver.

2. Adapt to protect communities and natural habitats.

The climate is already changing and will continue to change even as we reduce emission. At COP26 we need to work together to enable and encourage countries affected by climate change to:

- Protect and restore ecosystems.
- Increase resilience.

3. Mobilize finance.

To deliver on these goals, developed countries promised to mobilize at least \$ 100bn in climate finance per year by 2020. The role of the financial sector will therefore be key to unleashing the trillions in private and public sector finance required to secure global net zero.

4. Work together to deliver.

We can only rise to the challenges of the climate crisis by working together.

During this session high level speakers will share their views on the role businesses are playing and will need to play to accomplish these goals both during the COP and thereafter.

PROGRAMME

18:00 – 18:30 | Audience Check-In

18:30 – 18:35 | Welcome – Cristina Rivero, Director of industry, energy, environment and climate at CEOE

| 1 – Secure global net zero by mid-century and keep 1.5 degrees within reach

- Beatriz Corredor, President of REE.
- Gonzalo Saenz de Miera, Director of Climate Change at the Chairman's Area of Iberdrola.
- Felipe Torroba, Ence Energía, CEO.
- Aniceto Zaragoza, OFICEMEN CEO.

| 2 – Mobilize finance

- Íñigo Fernández de Mesa, Vice-president of CEOE
- Benoît Felix, Global Head of Structured Finance at Santander Corporate & Investment Banking
- Arantxa Tapia, Councilor of Economic Development, Sustainability and Environment of the Basque Country (Spain).

| 3 – Work together to deliver

- Mariana Castaño, Global Mobility Call, International Outreach & Communications Strategic Communications Expert
- Rocío Fernández, Director of Sustainability & Climate Change | Business Developer at Azentúa – a N World Company –

20:00 | End of session

PARTICIPANTS BIOS



BEATRIZ CORREDOR, Chairwoman of the Red Eléctrica

Beatriz is in possession of a master's degree in Law from the UAM, and is part of the Spanish Property and Mercantile Registrars Corps. She has completed other higher studies such as the Senior Business Management and the "Women on Boards of Directors" programmes, at IESE Business School.

In her public career, she has been Minister of Housing of Spain and President of the Board of Directors of the Public Land Business Entity; Secretary of State for Housing and Urban Actions; councilor in Madrid and counselor of the Municipal Housing and Land Company, as well as a Member of Parliament in the Spanish Congress.

Nowadays, she is the Chairwoman of the Red Eléctrica Group.



GONZALO SÁENZ DE MIERA, Director of Climate Change at the Chairman's Area of Iberdrola

Gonzalo holds a Ph.D in Applied Environmental Economics by the UAM and a MSc in International Political Economy at the University of Warwick. Nowadays he is Director of Climate Change at the Chairman's Area of Iberdrola. He is also President of the Spanish Platform for Clean Air, Vice-president of the Spanish Green Growth Group, Vice-president of the Spanish Association of Energy Economic, member of the board of Energy Economics, Director of the MBA in Energy Business at Enerclub, and founder of the initiative Dialogues on Energy and Sustainability.



FELIPE TORROBA, Ence Energía CEO

Felipe has been CEO of Ence Energía since 2018. He previously held the position of Director of Finance, Treasury and M&A for the same company, which he joined in 2010. Graduated in Business Administration and Management from the European Business School and Executive MBA from IE, Felipe began his professional career in the world of investment banking, working at Morgan Stanley and UBS to later dedicate himself to Corporate Development in the renewable sector at Enel. From 2007 to 2010 he was also responsible for energy and natural resources within Deloitte's M&A and Investment Banking Division.

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ANICETO ZARAGOZA, OFICEMEN CEO

Aniceto is P.h.d Civil Engineer (Madrid Polytechnic University). He also has a Degree in Economics and Business Administration a Degree in History and a Degree in Politicis by UNED University. It is Transport Professor at UPM

Nowadays, he is General Secretary of Ieca, Secretary of Labour Foundation for Cement and the Environment (CEMA), President of Spanish Technological Concrete Platform, President of Committee of Transport of the Spanish Engineering Institute and Vice-president of Industry and Energy of CEOE.



BENOÎT FELIX, Global Head of Structured Finance at Santander Corporate & Investment Banking

Benoit heads the global Structured Finance franchise of Santander since 2018. With 180 professionals across 12 countries, the Structured Finance division provides the whole range of financial solutions (such as debt advisory, structuring, financing, project bonds) to Santander's clients in different sectors, such as Power, Infrastructure, TMT, Comercial Real Estate, Asset Finance or Industrials. Santander is a well-established global leader in the Renewables space, leading the leaguetables for several years in a row.

He joined Santander in 2009, where he occupied several senior positions in the Project & Acquisition Finance department, firstly in Europe, and finally in Latin America.

He holds a Masters Degree in Engineering from École des Mines de Paris and an Executive Program at INSEAD.



IÑIGO FERNÁNDEZ DE MESA, Vice-president of CEOE

Iñigo is BA in Economics from the UCM and government Accredited Trade Expert and Economist of Estate since 1992.

In his public career, he has held the position of Secretary General of the Treasury and Financial Policy and Secretary of State for Economy. He has been director of the Bank of Spain and the CNMV; Vice president of the Fund for Orderly Bank Restructuring; Chairman of Spanish Real State assets management scheme Supervisory Committee; Vice-chairman and Spanish member of the EFC and Euro working Group; Spanish Representative at the Financial Stability Board and G-20; Alternate Member at the Euro group and ECOFIN; Deputy Governor IMF, World Bank, and Regional International Financial Institutions; Interamerican Development Bank, African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank; and Chairman of SEPLAC.

Currently, Iñigo is chairman of Rothschild & Co Spain, vice-President of CEOE and Financial Policy, president of the Economic Studies Institute, vice-Chair of BusinessEurope's Economic & Financial Affairs Committee, independent Member of the Scottish Power Board of Directors and member of the International Advisory panel at Altamar.

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ARANTXA TAPIA OTAEGI, Councilor of Economic Development, Sustainability and Environment of the Basque Country (Spain)

Arantxa is an industrial engineer specialized in electricity and holds a PhD Cum Laude from the University of Navarra. She has been a professor at the Engineering School of the University of Navarra and the University School of the UPV-EHU. She also has developed research work for, companies as, Iberdrola, Indar, Lasa & Eustek, Gikesa, LAPTON and JEMA.

She has been Vice-Councilor of Transport and Public Works, Deputy for mobility and territorial Planning of the Provincial Parliament of Gipuzkoa, and member of parliament of EAJ-PNV in the Nacional Parliament of Spain and speaker in several of its committees, as well as Councilor of Economic Development and Competitiveness and Minister of Economic Development and Infrastructures of the Basque Government.

Currently she is Councilor of Development, Sustainability and Environment of the Basque Government.



MARIANA CASTAÑO, Global Mobility Call, International Outreach & Communications Strategic Communications Expert

After 20 years of experience in the media and the United Nations, international journalist and communications expert Mariana founded 10 Billion Solutions to unleash the power of communications as a force for good.

Mariana helps organizations inspire positive change by refocusing communications on people's needs and hopes for a sustainable future. In the current climate and ecological crisis, Mariana's vision is a world where everyone can enjoy a just and healthy life in balance with nature, free of the existential threat posed by climate change.

Nowadays, she collaborates with IFEMA MADRID-GLOBAL MOBILITY CALL leading International Outreach & Communications

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ROCÍO FERNÁNDEZ FLORES, Director of Sustainability & Climate Change | Business Developer at Azentúa – a N World Company –

Rocío holds a Master's Degree (MEng) in Chemical Process Engineering. She has 12 years of experience in sustainability and climate change policies and strategies in multiple sectors, including infrastructure, energy and water. She also has wide expertise in coordinating international innovation projects as well as in establishing international relationships with diverse organization and initiatives committed to sustainable development, such as UN Global Compact, WBCSD, CPLC, CLG, Alliance of CEO Climate leaders, among others.

Along her professional career, Rocío has held technical and management positions across different departments and organizations, including CIEMAT and ACCIONA. Nowadays she leads the portfolio of sustainability and climate change projects at AZENTÚA – consultancy firm on sustainability, part of N World and she is also the Business Developer Director for the Canary Islands Region.



CRISTINA RIVERO FERNÁNDEZ, Director of industry, energy, environment and climate at CEOE

Cristina has developed her professional career in the field of energy, environment and climate change. At European level, she has collaborated as a representative of the Spanish electricity sector in Eurelectric. At international level, she has participated in work programs of the International Energy Agency, as well as Latin American energy organizations, CIER and OLADE. Since 2001, she has been an observer for the private sector at the Conferences of the Parties to the UNFCCC.

She is currently the Director of the industry, energy, environment and climate department of CEOE. She is a member of the Industrial Affairs Committee of Business Europe.

EVENT LOCATION

Scottish Power Headquarters, in Glasgow ([Google maps](#)).
320 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5AD, United Kingdom

How to get there

- **From airport**

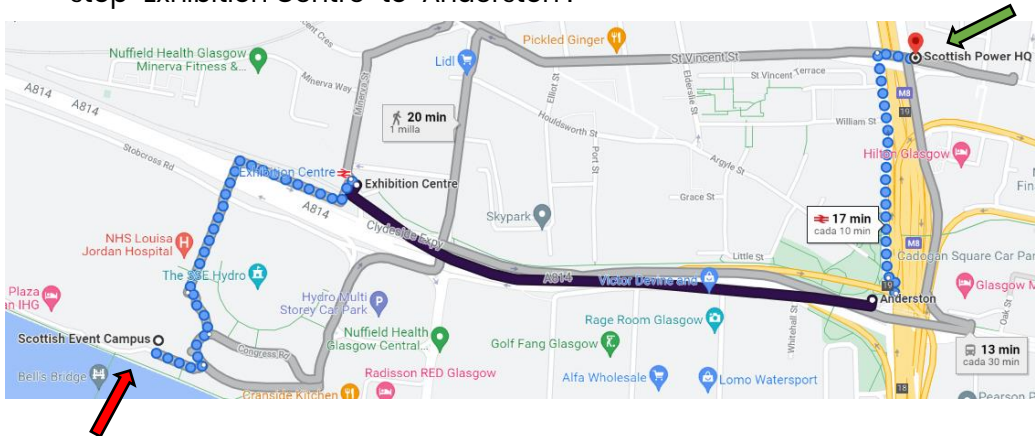
For attendees arriving directly from the Glasgow Airport, they should take bus Glasgow Airport Express 500, departing from Stance 1, which will arrive in 19 minutes to the stop “Blythswood Street” (6 minutes away from ScottishPower HQ).

- **From Glasgow** (Scottish Event Campus - Blue zone)

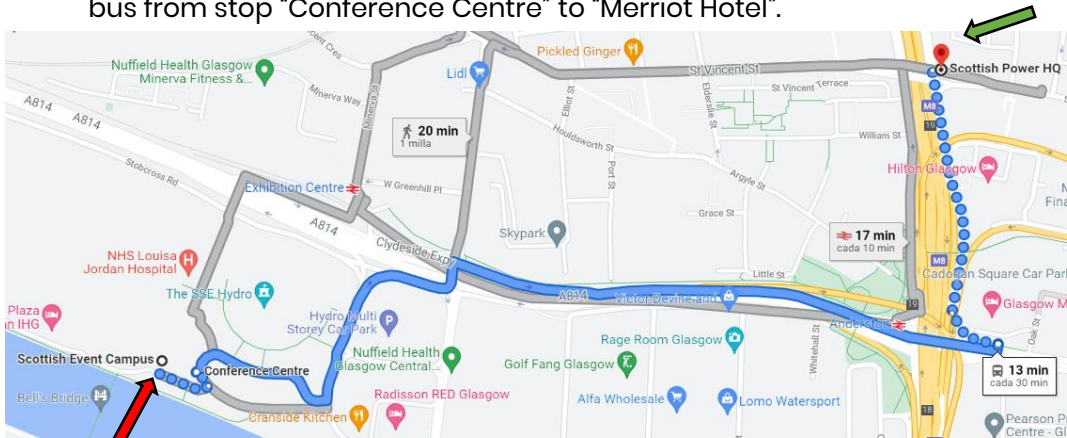
The COP26 venue will be held at the Scottish Event Campus ([Google maps](#)), and to go to the Scottish Power HQ are three options:

1. Public transport options exist to get from the Campus to ScottishPower HQ:

a) **ScotRail** (6 minutes away COP venue): Attendees should take the rail from stop “Exhibition Centre” to “Anderston”.



a) **Bus line 100** (8 minutes away from COP venue): Attendees should take the bus from stop “Conference Centre” to “Merriot Hotel”.



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- **From Glasgow** (Scottish Event Campus - Blue zone)
2. A 20-minute walk from the COP26 venue to Scottish Power HQ.

