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Business Council for  
Sustainable Development  
United Kingdom



## **Newsletter on BCSD-UK activity for the Business Leaders Group**

**February 2009**

**A series of half day events aimed at the Business Leaders Group with the objective of raising the awareness and understanding of key business leaders in Yorkshire and Humberside on practical implementations of sustainable development.**

### **Past Events:**

#### **Yorkshire Carbon Workshop - November 18<sup>th</sup>**

Richard John from Faber Maunsell/AECOM led this workshop entitled 'Carbon Confusion - developing a roadmap to a low carbon economy for 2050'.

Nicole Pay, Environmental Affairs Manager, Yorkshire Water; Stephen Brown, Sustainable Development Manager, Yorkshire Forward; Cal Bailey, Marketing & Sustainability Director, NG Bailey and Steve Wallace, Global Head of Environment, National Grid also presented.

The workshop was hosted by Yorkshire Water at Esholt Hall, Shipley. It was a half-day morning event including buffet lunch.

Speaker presentations can be downloaded from the Document Library of [www.bcsd-uk.co.uk](http://www.bcsd-uk.co.uk)

#### **Opportunities and challenges for companies to benefit from Decentralised Energy - February 11<sup>th</sup>**

Morning workshop. Hosted by DLA Piper LLP, Sheffield.



Follow on from the work of the UK Government's Business Taskforce on Sustainable Consumption and Production:-Decentralised Energy – business opportunity in resource efficiency and carbon management. Speakers from E.ON Sustainable Energy Solutions, Department of Energy and Climate Change and DLA Piper LLP.

Delegate comments:

*"I have established a number of useful contacts and listened to some very informative speakers"*

- Andrew Downey, Scottish & Newcastle

*"Very good event and local to my business"*

- Mark Anderson, Arup

*"Very interesting - from Government perspective we need to hear real life experiences"*

- Rita Wadey, Department of Energy and Climate Change

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## Climate Change Risk Management - February 11<sup>th</sup>

Afternoon workshop. Hosted by DLA Piper LLP, Sheffield.



Climate change will bring risks and costs to those who are unprepared and business opportunities to those who have analysed the impacts. This workshop looked at implications and tools for future business decision making and strategy.

Speakers from UK Climate Impacts Programme, Lloyds Banking Group and Lloyds Development Capital.

Delegate Comments:

*"Lots of food for thought from Lloyds presentations"*

- Dr Stephen Brown, Yorkshire Forward

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## Next Event:

### Post Budget event

**- date to be arranged to follow the Budget which has now been announced as April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

This year the Chancellor has said he will deliver a CARBON Budget alongside the usual Fiscal Budget. This event will be an examination of the effects, opportunities and ramifications for Business of the carbon budget content.

Dean Harris of KPMG and Paul Turner of Lloyds Banking Group will present analysis and interpretation.

Venue to be confirmed but will be in central Leeds.

## Future Events:

7<sup>th</sup> May 2009

- Morning

Venue TBA

### Manufacturing and Procurement

An examination of how Global Supply chains are being reviewed in the light of the need for a low carbon economy.

7<sup>th</sup> May 2009  
- Afternoon  
Venue same as morning

### **Resource Respect**

Climate change, fast developing new economies, changing lifestyles and cultures, growing global population – all are impacting on the limited resources we have on the planet to service this hunger for more resources. The starting subject might be water – and might lead to a project on the subject.

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9<sup>th</sup> June 2009  
- Morning  
Venue TBA

### **Promoting SME's in the Supply Chain for Sustainable development**

Links to the work of the World Business Council in this field.

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9<sup>th</sup> June 2009  
- Afternoon  
Venue same as morning

### **Horizon scanning for new legislation**

To be aware of legislative and legal hurdles existing and in the process of heading towards the statute book be it in the UK or Europe is to be ahead of the competition. Indeed, It may also dictate where your future markets may be.

If you have any other topics involving practically implementing Sustainable Development in business which you would like to see discussed please let us know.

If you feel your company would like to host one of these events we would like to hear from you.

If your company has any best practice or expertise to offer to the events in the future programme please contact:

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