



## **COP 26 Congressional Trip Agenda**

### **November 5 to 9, 2021**

*Note: there is potential for delays into COP26 due to security issues, as well as last minute meeting room changes.*

#### **Friday, November 5**

Various times: Members and staff depart Washington, D.C. en-route to Edinburgh, Scotland

#### **Saturday, November 6**

**10:15 AM:** Transportation to Glasgow (for those already at Gleneagles Hotel)

**10:35 AM:** Members and staff arrive at Edinburgh Airport to be picked up by coach bus

**11:15 AM:** Entire group travels to COP26

Will make stop adjacent to airport for those who are just arriving to clean-up, refresh, grab a quick bite to eat, and take COVID-19 test

*Location:* DoubleTree by Hilton, Edinburgh Airport  
100 East Field Rd, Ingliston, Edinburgh, H28 8LL

*\*\*Note, please have business attire with walking shoes easily accessible within your luggage*

Orientation and briefing en-route to Glasgow

**1:30 – 4:00 PM:** Attend COP26 “Nature Day”

*\*\*note: specific times and locations to be announced on the ground*

Exploration of COP26 and meetings with various business and international leaders

*Conversations with:*

Representatives from the Japanese Delegation to COP 26

Kelly Sims-Gallagher, Academic Dean, Tufts Fletcher School and Professor, Environmental and Energy Policy

Dr. Lucas Joppa, Chief Environmental Officer, Microsoft

*\*we may also meet with the bi-partisan US Senate CODEL @ COP 26 at some point*

*Attire:* Business (Please wear comfortable walking shoes, we will be on our feet for a bit of time)

*Location:* COP26

Scottish Events Campus, Exhibition Way, Glasgow G3 8YW

**4:15 PM: Group travels back to local accommodations**

***Location:* The Gleneagles Hotel, Auchterarder PH3 1NF, United Kingdom**

**5:15 PM – 5:30 PM: Arrival and Check-in.**

**6:00 – 8:30 PM: Reception and Dinner**

***Topic:* Welcome event Congressional delegation, staff, and stakeholders to Scotland. Discussion on the rapidly changing state of global nuclear, nuclear's use in fuels.**

***Speakers:***

**Kirsty Gogan, Founder & Managing Director, Terra Praxis**

**Rich Powell, Co-Chair, Conservative Climate Foundation**

**Heather Reams, Co-Chair, Conservative Climate Foundation**

***Location:***

**Reception in The Assembly Room, Gleneagles Hotel**

**Dinner in The Billiard Room, Gleneagles Hotel**

***Attire:* Business casual**

## **Sunday, November 7**

**7:30 – 9:00 AM: Breakfast (Times will be assigned for breakfast, hotel will provide)**

*Location:* The Strathearn Restaurant, Gleneagles Hotel

**8:30 AM: Coffee meet & greet**

*Location:* The Billiard Room, The Gleneagles Hotel

**9:00 – 10:30 AM: Salon Discussion on Enabling the Global Expansion of Nuclear Energy**

*Topic:* Nuclear energy currently provides around 10% of the world's electricity and nearly a third of the world's low-carbon electricity. New nuclear technologies are also being commercialized today, and they offer a new suite of end uses beyond the electricity sector. International collaboration can accelerate bringing these technologies to market. The discussion will focus on the current U.S. nuclear energy policy landscape, a case study in deploying new technologies, and opportunities for U.S. leadership. DG Sama Bilbao y Leon and Mr. Dan Albas also will share their unique global perspectives on the current and future of the nuclear industry.

*Speakers:*

**Dan Albas, M.P., House of Commons, Parliament of Canada**

**Sama Bilbao y León, Director General, World Nuclear Association**

**Nicholas McMurray, Senior Program Director, Nuclear Energy, ClearPath**

**Jeffrey Merrifield, Partner, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman**

**Dr. Benjamin Reinke, Senior Director, Corporate Strategy, X-Energy**

*Location:* The Billiard Room, The Gleneagles Hotel

*Attire:* Business casual

**10:30 – 10:45 AM: Break**

**10:45 – 11:45 AM: Carbon Capture and Nature Based Solutions Roundtable**

*Topic:* Briefing by DRAX on a groundbreaking negative emissions technology bioenergy with carbon capture and storage project (BECCS) in North Yorkshire. The project would remove 20-70 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per year by 2050, delivering 40 percent of the negative emissions the country indicates it needs to reach net-zero by 2050.

*Speakers:*

**Mariano Molina, International Public Affairs Manager, DRAX**

**Ross McKenzie, Group Director of International Affairs, DRAX**

**Jason Eberstein, Vice President, Government Relations, Enviva**

**Niall Mac Dowell, Professor of Future Energy Systems, Imperial College London**

*Location:* The Billiard Room, Gleneagles Hotel

*Attire:* Business casual

**11:45 AM – Noon: Break and COVID-19 testing**

**\*\*Note:** We will be working with attendees to schedule them to take COVID-19 tests for over lunchtime

**Noon – 1:30 PM: Lunch presentation and pre-departure COVID-19 testing**

***Topic:*** Presentation to focus on global trends in carbon trade and finance

***Speaker:*** David Banks, GOP Climate Advisor and Sr. Fellow, CRES Forum

***Location:*** The Birnam Brasserie, Gleneagles Hotel

***Attire:*** Business casual

**1:30 – 1:45 PM: Break**

**1:45 – 3:30 PM: Discussion on opportunities for market-friendly climate policy and U.S. leadership.**

***Topic:*** Discussion with U.S. Members of Congress and leaders of global and US businesses on policies that can help drive emissions reductions, economic growth, and the U.S. carbon advantage.

***Attendees:*** In addition to the U.S. House of Representatives members and staffers, and invited attendees including American Petroleum Institute, BP, Cargill, Chevron, Energy Storage Systems, Inc., General Electric, Occidental Petroleum, Ørsted, and United Parcel Service.

***Location:*** The Billiard Room, Gleneagles Hotel

***Attire:*** Business casual

**4:00 – 5:30 PM: Exploration of cultural landmarks and Scottish culture or take a local area hike on own. (optional)**

***Location:*** Details to be provided upon arrival.

***Attire:*** Business casual

**6:30 – 9:30 PM: Reception and dinner**

***Speakers:***

**Mr. Robert Kump, President & Deputy CEO, Avangrid**

**Mr. Keith Anderson, CEO, Scottish Power Renewables**

***With Guests From:***

**United States House of Representatives; The Business Council on Sustainable Energy; ClearPath; Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions (CRES) Forum; Scottish Power; Avangrid**

***Location:*** The Ballroom, Gleneagles Hotel

***Attire:*** Smart Dinner Wear (it's Great Britain)

## Monday, November 8

**7:15 – 8:00 AM: Pick up boxed breakfast at the Gleneagles Hotel**

**8:00 – 9:00 AM: Transit from hotel to Flexitricity Site Visit, Edinburgh**

**9:30 – 11:45 AM: Flexitricity site visit and discussion**

*Topic:* Tour and discussion of market-friendly approaches to large-scale clean energy deployment, residential-to-grid energy storage, and demand management. The goal of this site visit is to help contextualize the scale of the economic and industrial opportunity associated with clean energy abundant near the COP.

*Speakers:*

Angus McIntosh from H100 Fife Project, a world-first hydrogen network that brings renewable hydrogen into homes providing zero-carbon fuel for heating and cooking.

Charles Thompson from ORE Catapult, on the Levenmouth Demonstration Turbine (LDT) and other offshore renewable projects.

Keith Gains from Quinbrook, a low-carbon investment company, currently constructing the first new Synchronous Condenser to be build in the UK, to help stabilize the grid as older baseload coal, gas and nuclear plants are retired and intermittent renewables capacity increase.

*Location:* Flexitricity, 6th floor, Mainpoint, 102 West Port, Edinburgh, EH3 9DN

*Attire:* Business

**11:45 AM: Attendees walk to lunch location**

**Noon - 1:45 PM: Lunch**

*Location:* The Castle Arms, 6 Johnston Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2PW, United Kingdom

Angus Robertson MSP, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, External Affairs, and Culture will meet the delegation for lunch.

*Following lunch, we hope to have a brief time for attendees to walk about the historic castle area.*

*Attire:* Business

**1:45 – 3:00 PM: Transit from Edinburgh to COP26**

**3:00 – 5:30 PM: Attend COP 26, meetings with U.S. negotiators and U.S. companies at the COP26 Blue and Green Zones. (Adaptation, Loss, and Damage Day)**

***\*\*note, specific times and locations to be added on the ground\*\****

Meetings with Representatives of the Taiwan Government in attendance

Meeting with Peter Reinhardt, Co-Founder and Chief Scientist, Charm Industrial

*Attire:* Business

**4:00 PM: Members of Congress only depart COP, staff and others to stay at COP to tour green zone.**

**4:30 – 5:30 PM: Joint meeting with Members of Congress and U.S Business CEOs**

*Attendees:*

**Members of the Congressional Climate Solutions Caucus CODEL  
George Oliver, CEO, Johnson Controls  
Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines**

*Location:* Carlton George Hotel, 44 George St.

**5:30 PM: Group at Green Zone to depart and transit to Corinthian Club**

**Member of Congress walk to Corinthian Club (2 blocks away)**

**6:00 – 7:00 PM: Reception**

*Location:* The Corinthian Club, 191 Ingram Street, Glasgow

*Attire:* Business

**7:00 PM (sharp) – 8:30 PM: Salon Dinner**

The salon dinner will be a *moderated Chatham House Rules, strictly off-the-record discussion* to include Members and senior staff from the UK Parliament, the US House of Representatives, international policy and business leaders, and a select few members of the media. The topic of discussion will be related to the UNCOP26 meetings and the importance of embracing and expanding free-market economic freedom around the world for addressing climate change.

*Attending groups include:*

**C3 Solutions  
The Grace Richardson Foundation  
ClearPath  
CRES Forum**

*Location:* The Corinthian Club, 191 Ingram St, Glasgow G1 1DA, United Kingdom

*Attire:* Business

**8:30 – 9:30 PM: Return to Gleneagles Hotel**

## **Tuesday, November 9**

**Various times: Breakfast, hotel check-out**

*Location:* Gleneagles Hotel

**Various times: Transit to Edinburgh International Airport**

**\*Attendees will be provided airport transfer information**

**Various times: Depart for the United States**