



Climate Savers Newsletter

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Opportunities for companies to show leadership

The last year has brought climate change back onto the top of the agenda. A number of significant milestones have built momentum for a global climate agreement expected to be signed off by governments during the 21st Conference of the Parties (COP 21) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) that will be held in Paris at the end of 2015. [Read more](#)

Alberto Carrillo Pineda, Head of Climate Business Engagement, WWF

NEWS DIGEST

WWF news



Vanke joins WWF Climate Savers

China Vanke Co Ltd, the world's largest residential developer, has become the first real estate company to join the prestigious World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Climate Savers programme. Vanke's commitments to reduce GHG emissions will make a profound impact on promoting the transition to industrialised housing and increased use of renewable energy in China, and contributing to the low-carbon transformation of Chinese cities. [Read more](#)



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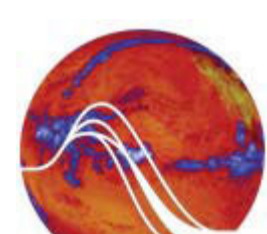
Volvo renews Climate Savers Partnership with WWF

The Volvo Group is renewing its partnership with a new ambitious commitment to the World Wide Fund for Nature's Climate Savers programme. In addition to reducing emissions from products and production, Volvo is now driving the development toward reducing carbon-dioxide emissions throughout the transport sector. [Read more](#)



Eneco continues its WWF Climate Savers partnership

Energy company Eneco and WWF Climate Savers have announced they will strengthen their collaboration, with a renewed partnership which will continue until 2017. The partnership was first formed at the end of 2010, when Eneco Group became WWF's first Climate Savers partner in the Netherlands. [Read more](#)



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Science-based target setting for businesses

Is your business setting its emissions reduction targets in line with climate science? More than 30 companies are already taking action – and the Science Based Targets initiative is looking for more businesses who are interested in setting these goals and announcing commitments in 2015. [Read more](#)



It's Time to Peak report launched

A new report by WWF-China, titled 'It's Time to Peak', aims to show how Chinese companies can develop meaningful emission reduction targets that are science-based, technologically possible and in line with a global 2 degree scenario. [Read more](#)

Business and climate change

Responsible policy engagement

Business leaders are in a unique position to inform and advance effective responses to climate change. The Guide for Responsible Corporate Engagement in Climate Policy established a set of core principles and actions. [This executive brief](#) showcases the key messages from the guide, presents new data and identifies how to demonstrate responsible engagement and climate policy priorities for business leaders to take strong action.



25 Global corporate leaders call for expanded access to renewable energy

Call them renewable energy pioneers. The number of high-profile companies directly procuring renewable directly grew substantially over the past 12 months. Over last summer, a dozen trend-setters wrote and signed the [Corporate Renewable Energy Buyers' Principles](#) calling for utility companies and other renewable energy suppliers to make it simpler for companies to buy renewable energy. [Read more](#)



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The UNESCO Business and Climate Summit

Business will be a significant player in the success of a global climate agreement. Business believes that decarbonisation is compatible with human development and economic growth. Companies, large and small, have developed and are developing technological, organizational and financial solutions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. [Read more](#)



Partner successes

Yingli Green Energy goes beyond targets for reducing emissions

Yingli Green Energy Holding Company Limited, a leading solar panel manufacturer in the world known as "Yingli Solar," announced that it had gone beyond its targets to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by the end of 2013 as part of its membership commitments in the WWF Climate Savers program, according to internal inspections report. [Read more](#)



EVENTS



Climate Leadership Conference

23 – 25 February 2015

The Climate Leadership Conference is an annual exchange for addressing global climate change through policy, innovation, and business solutions.



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Earth Hour

28 March 2015 at 8:30 PM

Use your power to change climate change. On Saturday 28 March 2015 it is time to switch of the light for Earth Hour. However, you can [take action](#) before that.



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South Africa Climate Solver Awards 2015

30 March 2015

WWF's Climate Solver awards celebrate businesses creating innovative technology that aims to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.



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Climate Savers Business Event

5 – 7 May 2015

From 5-7 May, together with Volvo and SKF, Climate Savers will host its annual business event. The theme of this year's event is Driving Ambitious Corporate Action. Please contact Milan Kooijman (mkooijman@wwf.eu) for more information, or visit our [website](#).



UNESCO Business and Climate Summit

20 – 21 May 2015, Paris

Responding to the UN Secretary General's invitation for business to take a more active role in the world decarbonisation process, a large number of business networks have decided to join forces and convene CEOs from around the world and from all sectors in the Business and Climate Summit.



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World Environment Day

5 June 2015

World Environment Day is the United Nations' principal vehicle for encouraging worldwide awareness and action for the environment.



UNFCCC Intersessional, Bonn

1 -11 June 2015, Bonn

As part of the UN climate process, negotiators will meet in Germany in June ahead of the COP in Paris at the end of the year.



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High level event on climate change, UN General Assembly

29 June 2015

The President of the General Assembly will convene a high-level event at UN Headquarters with the goal of helping countries reach a climate change agreement at the 21st Conference of the Parties (COP) in Paris in December.



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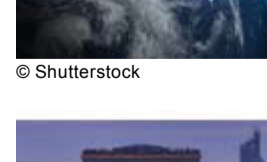
UNFCCC COP 21

30 Nov – 11 Dec 2015

The United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP21) will be held in Paris, France.



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