



# CLIMATE SAVERS NEWSLETTER

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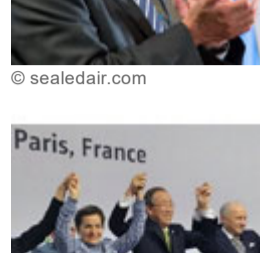
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### Grow to zero: the challenge for businesses after Paris

The global climate agreement, signed in Paris at the end of last year, left a sense of hope but also a sense of insufficiency. On the one hand, the Paris Agreement sends a clear signal about the direction of travel: phase out greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions within the next thirty to fifty years in order to have good chances of keeping global temperature increase below 1.5°C or 2°C compared to pre-industrial temperatures. [Read more](#)

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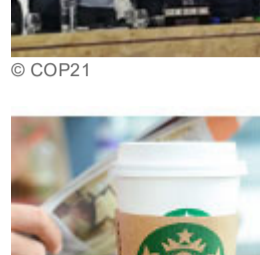
## HIGHLIGHTS



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### Sealed Air announces partnership with WWF Climate Savers

Sealed Air Corporation announced its partnership with World Wildlife Fund's Climate Savers program in an effort to collaborate and advance work to mitigate the effects of climate change globally. The company has committed to reduce its Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions in its operations by 25%. [Read more](#)



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### Governments gather to sign new Paris climate agreement

The Paris Agreement, approved in December last year, will be opened for signature at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on Friday, 22 April. To meet the agreed goal of limiting global warming to less than 1.5°C, there will need to be new commitments for action before 2020 on renewable energy, getting out of fossil fuels, conserving forests and climate finance. [Read more](#)



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### 100+ Companies signing of the Paris Agreement and call for action on Clean Power Plan

More than 100 companies, including leading global giants, expressed their support for the Paris Agreement on climate change and called for swift action on the Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Power Plan, a proposal aimed at significantly cutting carbon pollution in the United States. [Read more](#)



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### 147 companies now committed to set Science Based Targets

147 companies, an additional 33 since COP21 in December last year, have either set or have committed to setting science-based emissions targets through the Science Based Targets initiative. This comes as a new analysis from We Mean Business highlights the market opportunities in the wake of the Paris Agreement. [Read more](#)

## WWF BUSINESS NEWS



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### Renewable energy investments: major milestones reached, new world record set

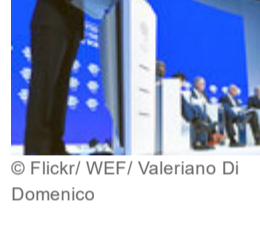
Global Trends in Renewable Energy Investment 2016, the 10th edition of the UN Environment Programme's (UNEP's) annual publication, says the annual global investment in new renewables capacity, at \$266 billion, was more than double the estimated \$130 billion invested in coal and gas power stations in 2015. [Read more](#)



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### As skylines darken for Earth Hour, millions shine a light on climate action

As WWF's Earth Hour rolled across the world from Samoa to Santiago, millions came together to shine a light on the climate action our planet needs. The tenth edition of the movement's signature lights out event an unprecedented 178 countries and territories switch off in solidarity with global efforts to change climate change. [Read more](#)

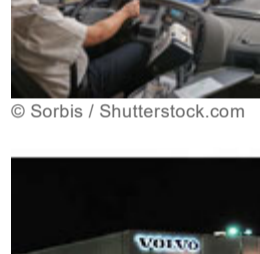


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### 8 climate change takeaways from Davos

In the first major meeting of politicians and business leaders since 195 nations struck a landmark deal to limit carbon emissions in Paris in December, thousands gathered to unpack the opportunities and challenges of the future. Among talk of robotics, 3D printing and nanotechnology, the Paris agreement merited mention. [Read more](#)

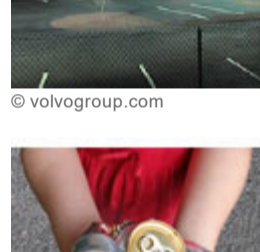
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### Volvo Group donation supports sustainable mobility in cities

The Volvo Group is donating 10 MSEK as a seasonal gift on behalf of its employees to the WWF project "Earth Hour City Challenge" with focus on sustainable city mobility. The aim is to increase capacity for sustainable transport work and to reduce the carbon dioxide emissions from cities. [Read more](#)



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### Volvo CE goes dark for Earth Hour

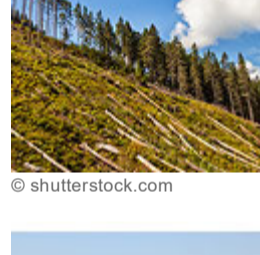
Volvo Construction Equipment in North America joined people around the globe in turning off non-essential lights for one hour on March 29. All was dark on Volvo Construction Equipment's Shippensburg, Pennsylvania facility, when the leading construction equipment company turned off all non-essential lighting in support of Earth Hour. [Read more](#)



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### Novelis achieves 49% recycled aluminium inputs, makes progress on water, GHG targets

Novelis doubled its recycling capacity over the past five years, among other achievements. Recycled aluminium produces 95 percent fewer greenhouse gas emissions and requires 95 percent less energy than primary aluminium production, according to the company. [Read more](#)



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### Sustainable supply chains and bottom lines—the two are no longer mutually exclusive

Over the past year, companies such as Unilever, Johnson & Johnson, P&G and Mars publicly committed to implementing zero deforestation policies throughout their supply chains. Businesses are beginning to recognize that what is good for the environment can also be good for revenues and help drive business growth. [Read more](#)



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### SKF India inaugurates 1MW rooftop solar plant at its Pune facility

SKF India announced its solar mission with the inauguration of one of the largest rooftop solar installations among manufacturing companies in Pune, with 1MW capacity. The launch of the project is a part of SKF India's ongoing solar mission across all major facilities in the country. This initiative is expected to reduce the Pune facility's CO2 emissions by approximately 1200 metric tons per annum. [Read more](#)

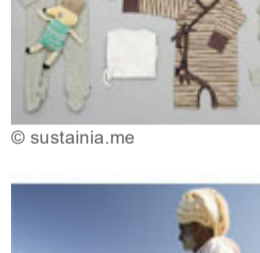


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### Novelis, Unilever, Forum co-develop tools to help ease shift to circular products, business models

Following the recent announcement of a €24 billion EU Circular Economy Package, leading sustainability non-profit Forum for the Future has today launched two free tools, developed together with partners Unilever and Novelis, that empower businesses and designers to make decisions that accelerate the shift towards a more circular economy. [Read more](#)

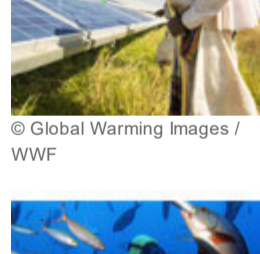
## BUSINESS AND INNOVATION



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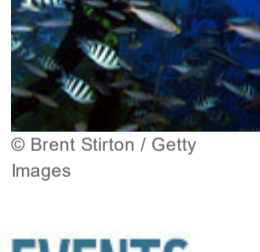
In the last few months WWF's innovation partner Sustainia has sustained the world for sustainable, disruptive innovation to showcase in its annual Sustainia 100 report. The guide highlights 100 innovative solutions from around the world that presents readily available projects, initiatives and technologies. [Read more](#)



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### Climate Solver seeks innovative entrepreneurs

WWF's innovation programme, Climate Solver, has opened applications to cleantech entrepreneurs from China, India, South Africa and the Nordic countries. Awards will be held in April in Beijing, early May in Cape Town, May in Malmö and June in Delhi. If you are interested in helping some of these disruptive solutions or attending these events, please contact [info@climatesolver.org](mailto:info@climatesolver.org)



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### The Blue Economy Challenge

WWF, Innovation X-Change, Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Australia and other partners have issued an open call for the innovation community to reengineer aquaculture and provide solutions that ensure both sustainable development and environmental sustainability. Applications are open until 30 June. [Read more](#)

## EVENTS



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### Signing of the COP21 Climate Agreement

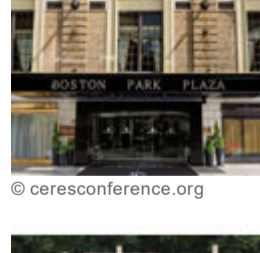
**When: 22 April**  
**Location: New York, USA**



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### Climate Solver China Awards

**When: 26-27 April**  
**Location: Beijing, China**



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### Ceres Conference

**When: 4-5 May**  
**Venue: Boston Park Plaza Hotel**  
**Location: Boston, MA, USA**



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### Climate Action 2016

**When: 5-6 May 2016**  
**Where: University of Maryland campus and downtown venues**  
**Location: Washington D.C., US**  
Announced at the 21st session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 21) to the UNFCCC, Climate Action 2016 will convene government, business and municipal leaders, civil society and academia to maintain momentum for multi-stakeholder climate implementation. [Read more](#)



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### Climate Solver Nordics Awards

**When: 18-20 May**  
**Location: Malmö, Sweden**



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### Sustainable Brands Conference

**When: 22-25 May**  
**Venue: IESA Campus Norte**  
**Where: Barcelona, Spain**  
Global and local brands will showcase their progress when the community reconvenes in Barcelona during the summer of 2016.



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### Business & Climate Summit

**When: 28-29 June**  
**Location: London, England**

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