

CALL newsletter Edition 51 – March, 2025



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Join CALL's monthly learning meeting



Wednesday, March 5th

10:00 am - 11:00 am on Zoom

Choose hope: Good news and solutions for climate and nature

The Good News Interest Group will provide a range of news stories you likely have never heard of – these stories will lift your spirits and show that progress is being made in the climate crisis.

<u>CLICK HERE TO REGISTER:</u> You will receive an email confirmation with your personal link to join the meeting.

Join a Canada-wide community of seniors



Wednesday, March 5th 6:30 pm ET on Zoom

The next Seniors for Climate webinar will feature two compelling speakers who will connect the dots for us on the climate emergency, our health crisis, cost of living woes and even our nation's sovereignty challenge.

CLICK HERE TO FIND OUT MORE.

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CALL is one of six sponsors of the Seniors For Climate project.

CALL Interest group meetings

Individual Action Group

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (except Dec, Jul and Aug).



Next meeting

Tuesday, March 11th 10:00 am – 11:30 am on Zoom

Climate change: Whose responsibility is it? Especially over the last few years, Corporate Canada and big business around the world have tried to shift the onus for the climate crisis from their shoulders to individuals.

We will discuss how to deal with this dis- and misinformation, as well as review some of the more egregious examples of greenwashing. This promises to be an informative and lively meeting.

CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING

Advocacy Interest Group

Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month (except Dec, Jul, and Aug).



Stop big oil from polluting our climate.

Nature-Based Solutions Group

Learn and advocate for biodiversity and nature- based solutions and join guided nature walks, and nature-based events.



Next meeting

Wednesday, March 19th 10:00 am – 11:30 am on Zoom

At February's meeting, we discussed Ontario's energy plan. In March, we will discuss the outcome of the Ontario election and the climate policies of each of the federal parties, including the statements by the leaders on the controversial topic of an east/west oil and gas pipeline.

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Next meeting

Watch for details on a guided nature walk on Earth Day, April 22 and for Seniors for Climate Earth Day activities on April 26.

For more information: nature.based.solutions@climatelearners.ca

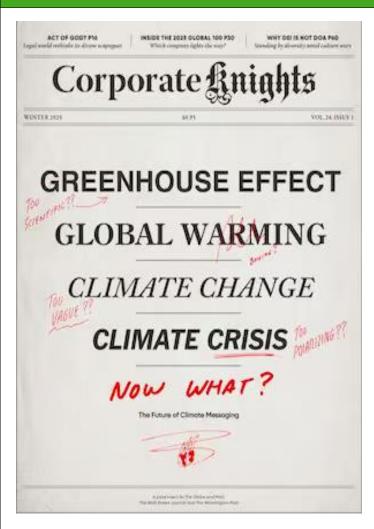
Did you miss Re.Climate's February 27 webinar?



Here's how you can catch up with Re,Climate's webinar – Let's Talk 'Common Sense': Reclaiming Common Sense for a Liveable Future.

- Watch the webinar recording featuring Astra Taylor, Barbara Leckie, Candis Callison and Joel Westheimer exploring the narratives shaping our understanding of common sense, how these ideas influence climate action, and how we can redefine them to build a more sustainable future.
- You can also sign up here for further episodes from the <u>Commons Sense podcast</u> when they are released.

Disinformation and more on effective climate communication



Following is a recent article on the battle against climate progress and a list of resources on more effective communications.

- See Atmos, "I believed climate change was a lie. Here's what changed my mind." READ
- Corporate Knights article on "The war of words over climate change."
 READ
- Article from "EXTINCTION TODAY" by Mark Campbell. He has taken a list of common environmental terms and suggested alternatives. READ
- Potential Energy's Climate marketing guide called "Talk like a Human". READ Potential Energy is an innovative startup that is dedicated to raising public awareness on climate change through more accessible language.

Climate news articles			
David Suzuki Foundation Science Matters	Creating neighbourhood networks for nature's pollinator superheroes. READ		
Seniors for Climate Action Now! (SCAN!)	Beyond facts and figures: A story about the future after disasters. READ		
CBC	Can this 'burnt toast' like substance be a key tool in the fight against climate change? Companies and countries are turning to biochar, and some people are making it in their own backyard. READ		
VOX	Colombian scientists are measuring burps and farts. It could help save the planet. Cutting-edge burp detectors are the climate solution we need. READ		
BBC	The rewilded golf courses teeming with life. From Scotland to California, golf courses are being rewilded – with lofty aims to benefit both people and nature. READ		
Canary Media	How to build data centers without raising grid costs – and emissions. Building dirty power plants to serve the Al boom could spell climate disaster. Luckily there are ways to meet surging demand that are cleaner, faster and cheaper. READ		
	States are moving forward with Buy Clean policies despite Trump reversals. READ		
440 Megatonnes	Cutting carbon from Canada's chemicals. The fifth and final instalment in the series on heavy industry. READ		
The Energy Mix Weekender	Low-carbon trade is Canada's trump card over Trump. Trump is known for always, always overplaying his hand. This time, his aggressive approach might produce the low-carbon trading system we always wanted. READ		
Canada's National Observer	Chris Hatch Net Zero Should we even bother talking about climate change? READ		
We Don't Have Time in Forbes magazine	What are CFO's saying about climate action amid geopolitical uncertainty. READ		
We Don't Have Time	Innovative energy: Space solar and airborne wind turbines. <u>READ</u>		
The Energy Mix	Wind farm in a war zone: Vestas announces 384 MW for project in Ukraine. READ		

Climate reports		
Canadian Climate Institute	Close to home. How to build more housing in a changing climate.	
	The most affordable home is the one you don't have to rebuild. Building more housing in Canada will be critical to improving affordability. But ignoring the risks of more frequent and extreme wildfires and floods threatens to drive up costs for everyone. READ	
Pembina Institute	Assembling the future. Powering a healthier, more affordable Ontario.	
	This report elaborates on how clean electricity will be key to supporting industries and attracting investment as Ontario must embrace new trade options within Canada and abroadand that means building industries that are aligned with the global clean economic direction, not just the U.S.'s READ	

Podcasts and YouTube videos



How can we build mental resilience to climate change?

Experts say being hit by extreme weather such as wildfires or hurricanes can also damage our mental health.

How can we fight back against "climate trauma"?

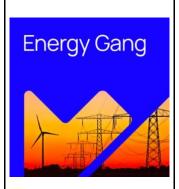
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Zero: Green growth is expensive. The global economy can afford it. How do we keep climate action alive in a fracturing world? "Today we live in an age where we actually have the solutions—technologically, economically, and financially speaking – but what we are not doing is acting on them," Achim Steiner, Head of the UN's Development Program.

This podcast discusses how some countries are moving forward with climate solutions even when financing isn't readily available.

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What do President Trump's tariffs mean for energy. The view from Washington and Canada.

To analyze what the threatened tariffs mean for energy security, the economy and the climate, host Ed Crooks, Vice-Chair for the Americas at Wood Mackenzie, is joined by three policy experts from the US and Canada: Samantha Gross from the Brookings Institution, Joseph Majkut from the Center for Strategic and International Studies and Andrew Leach from the University of Alberta,

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Upcoming local and global climate events



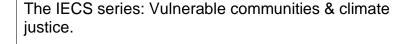
Join the Council of Canadians webinar Tuesday, March 4th 6:00 pm ET on Zoom

Council of Canadians will share their plans for the federal election and beyond. They will discuss how we can gather our forces, rally our allies, and build a movement to win the Canada we want.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER for the webinar

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Institute for Environment, Conservation and Sustainability March 6 at 7:00 pm (in person) Innis Town Hall, 2 Sussex Ave.





A free roundtable discussion on the unequal burden of climate change, examining how vulnerable communities are disproportionately affected and how they will play a key role in advancing a fair, inclusive transition.

MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTER

Institute for Environment, Conservation and Sustainability March 7 at 3:00 pm (in person) Trinity College, 6 Hoskin Ave



Race, labor, and the political fractures of climate actions.

A free lecture with Matt Huber, professor at Syracuse University and Myles Lennon, professor at Brown University.

MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTER

For Our Kids April 8 at 6:30 ET on Zoom

Polluting education: The influence of fossil fuels on children's education in Canada.

Did you know that fossil fuel companies are shaping what kids learn about climate change in schools? A new report from CAPE and For Our Kids, "Polluting Education: The Influence of Fossil Fuels on Children's Education in Canada," reveals that at least 39 oil and gas companies are funding or developing K-12 environmental and climate-related materials in our schools. In this webinar, learn about the report's findings and actions you can take.

MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTER

Fridays for Future April 11 (in person)

Global Climate Strike

Join the Global Climate Strike movement as activists in Toronto and around the world gather to share the vision of positive freedom. More details to follow.

Take action	
ClimateFast	ClimateFast has created a website showing how Toronto city councillors voted on a wide variety of issues. Find out how your city councillor voted on climate policy. FIND OUT MORE
Sierra Club of Canada	Protect Canadians from pollution: Protect what we love. Send a message to the government that it's time for oil and gas corporations, this country's biggest polluters, to take the same actions as individual Canadians and other sectors on emissions reduction. TAKE ACTION

Volunteer with CALL

CALL is fuelled by the energy and passion of our volunteers. We hope you will consider volunteering with us. Here a few of the many things you could do:

- Join the Program Committee and help organize monthly learning meetings
- Help edit the monthly newsletter select and publish newsletter content
- Get involved with one of the interest groups and help organize discussions and activities

To volunteer, contact: Membership@climatelearners.ca

Donate to CALL



CALL doesn't have a membership fee. We ask that friends and supporters make a voluntary donation on occasion to help with CALL's work. This year, your donation will help us with improvements to CALL's website.

<u>Click here</u> to go to the Small Change Fund website. Donors to our Small Change Fund project will receive a charitable tax receipt.

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