

## From Baku to Belém: The Climate Finance Roadmap to COP 30

4 – 5 March 2025

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### About the Event:

Climate finance is central to meeting international legal climate obligations and driving policy and operational change on climate action locally, transnationally, and globally. The outcome of the 29th meeting of the Conference of Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) (COP29) in Baku Azerbaijan, November 2024 (dubbed the ‘Finance COP’) was a new global finance goal and a framework for raising ambition for climate finance in the run-up to COP30 in Belém, Brazil in November 2025. The [agreement](#) for a New Collective Quantified Goal (NCQG) commits developed countries to ‘lead’ on mobilising at least US\$300 billion in climate finance annually by 2035 and sets into motion a pathway to work towards a scaling up of finance to US\$1.3 trillion a year by 2035.

The ‘From Baku to Belém’ workshop, organised under the auspices of the [Warwick Climate Governance and Policy Nexus \(NEXUS\)](#), the [Warwick Sustainability Spotlight](#) and the [Climate Finance for Equitable Transition \(CLiFT\)](#), will serve as a platform for capacity building, policy advocacy, information dissemination, and networking. It will bring together academics, negotiators, policymakers, civil society groups and representatives from bilateral and multilateral finance institutions. It aims to critically review the outcomes of COP29, assess the current state of climate finance negotiations and policy discussions leading into COP30, and to discuss just and equitable climate action that support transformational change in communities. The event aims to foster dialogue and collaboration among key stakeholders, enabling the development of synergies for advancing equitable climate finance law, policy, and governance and to develop collaborative research and policy initiatives.

Our workshop will be structured into three sessions over two days. It will begin with a public policy event in the morning of Tuesday, 4 March 2025, followed by a capacity building session in the afternoon for academics. A workshop for ECRs working on climate finance law, policy and governance will follow on Wednesday, 5 March 2025.

### Programme:

8.45am – 9.15am: **Coffee and Welcome**

9.15am – 9.30am: **Event Opening**

## Welcome

- **Professor Kerry Kirwan**, Deputy Pro-Vice Chancellor (Research), University of Warwick and Professor, Warwick Manufacturing Group (WMG)

## Opening Address

- **Rt Hon The Lord Teverson**, Member, House of Lords (Industry and Regulators Select Committee) and Honorary Fellow, Institute for Global Sustainable Development (IGSD)

## 9.30am – 10.30am: **Unpacking Climate Finance in the Multilateral Climate Regime**

- **Vicente Paolo Yu**, Senior Legal Advisor, Third World Network (TWN), Visiting Research Fellow, UN Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD), Associate Fellow, Geneva Center for Security Policy
- **Katie Swan-Nelson**, Economic Affairs Officer, Climate and Development Strategies Unit, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- **Rebecca Thissen**, Global Advocacy Lead, Climate Action Network International
- **Professor Celine Tan**, Professor of International Economic Law, University of Warwick

10.30am – 11.00am: Break

## 11.00am – 1.00pm: **The Baku to Belem Roadmap: Challenges and Possibilities**

- **H E Adonia Ayebare**, Chair, UNFCCC Subsidiary Body on Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) and Chair of the G77 and China, 2024
- **H E Wael Aboulmagd**, Egypt Ambassador and Special Representative Special Representative of the COP27 President
- **David Bailey**, Head of Global Climate Finance, UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCDO)
- **Meena Raman**, President, Friends of the Earth Malaysia and Hed of Programmes, TWN
- **Dr Amiera Sawas**, Head of Research and Policy, Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation (FFNPT) Treaty Initiative

1.00pm – 2.00pm: **Networking Lunch**

## About the Organisers:

The [Warwick Climate Governance and Policy Nexus \(NEXUS\)](#) seeks to understand and engage with climate change not as a problem to be solved, but as a shared journey that requires humility, collaboration, and the reimagining of what governance can look like. At this pivotal moment in global climate policy, NEXUS aims to build bridges—not only between

departments at Warwick but also with the global south, whose lived experiences and wisdom must shape the narrative of climate justice.

The **[Sustainability Spotlight](#)** at the University of Warwick brings together researchers from across the university and beyond, to undertake cutting-edge sustainability research from an interdisciplinary perspective. Co-laboratories (COLABs), have been established by researchers under the Sustainability Spotlight to enable focussed collaboration on specific issues. The 'From Baku to Belém' workshop is supported by COLAB 5: The Road to COP30 bringing together researchers engaged in thematic policy issues relevant to COP30.

The **[Climate Finance for Equitable Transitions \(CLiFT\)](#)** project is a multi-institutional and multi-stakeholder initiative aimed at exploring the climate finance supply chain within the context of the multilateral climate change regime, international financial architecture and the multi-layered landscape of international economic law.

The **[Centre for Law, Regulation & Governance of the Global Economy \(GLOBE\)](#)**, based at Warwick Law School, brings together staff and postgraduate students working in areas of international economic law, business and commercial law, corporate governance and financial regulation.

The **[Institute for Global Sustainable Development \(IGSD\)](#)** is a primary hub for, and a gateway to research on global sustainable development at the University of Warwick.

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