



GLOBAL CLIMATE ACTION SUMMIT

OVERVIEW

The Global Climate Action Summit, taking place in 2018, will bring leaders and people together from around the world to “Take Ambition to the Next Level.”

It will be a moment to celebrate the extraordinary achievements of states, regions, cities, companies, investors and citizens in respect to climate action. It will be a launchpad that can, over the next crucial years, inspire deeper worldwide commitments and accelerated action from countries—supported by all sectors of society—that can put the globe on track to realize the historic Paris Agreement. The decarbonization of the global economy is in sight. Transformational changes are happening across the world and across all sectors as a result of technological innovation, new and creative policies, and political will at all levels.

States, regions, cities, businesses and investors are leading the charge on pushing down global emissions by 2020, setting the stage to reach net zero emissions by midcentury. The Summit will take place from Wednesday, Sept. 12, to Friday, Sept. 14, 2018, in San Francisco.

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5 CHALLENGE AREAS

The 2018 Global Climate Action Summit is challenging societies, communities, people and economies around the world to setup up and take ambition to the next level across five challenge areas:

1

HEALTHY ENERGY SYSTEMS:

A global shift towards clean and equitable energy and mobility systems advances climate progress and enables healthy people and places.

2

INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH:

Climate leadership and the clean technology and energy transition generate good jobs, broad-based economic opportunity, and inclusive, resilient growth.

3

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES:

Sustainable buildings, cities, communities, and infrastructure are clean, healthy and livable and improve quality of life for all.

4

LAND AND OCEAN STEWARDSHIP:

Forests, food, lands and other ecosystems play a critical role in mitigating climate change and making our world more resilient, while also ensuring sufficient food supplies for a growing population.

5

TRANSFORMATIVE CLIMATE INVESTMENTS:

Investments are mobilized on the scale needed to achieve the Paris Agreement, spur innovation and accelerate a clean and resilient economy.

WAYS TO ENGAGE IN THE SUMMIT



ORGANIZE AN EVENT:

Hundreds of affiliate events, organized by a range of companies, NGOs and governments, will take place across the Bay Area and throughout the world during the week of the Summit. Check the GCAS website for details.



SPEAK AT THE SUMMIT:

The Summit will feature two plenaries and a range of high-level sessions focusing on specific themes. Heads of state, governors, mayors, CEOs and others will be invited to speak at one of the sessions



SPONSOR THE SUMMIT:

Sponsorship opportunities offer a range of benefits, including the opportunity to lift up sustainability priorities and commitments and to attend the invitation-only Summit and affiliate events.



SPREAD THE WORD:

Help spread the word about the Summit, the need for increased climate ambition and your commitment to address climate change. Follow the Summit @GCAS2018 on Twitter and promote climate action and solutions using the hashtags #GCAS2018 and #StepUp2018.