



Green Capitalism Network

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NETWORK**

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Note from the Director

Many businesses have been vocal in their defence of environmental policies and are looking for a consistent direction of travel from both the government and the opposition, so they can plan and invest for the long term. They recognise the threat that climate change and nature loss pose to their profitability, and see many commercial opportunities in supplying the innovative technologies and services that will be needed to address environmental challenges.

As the Conservative Party steps back from its climate targets, Reform ignores environmental issues altogether, and Labour pursues costly, statist solutions, there is a growing appetite from businesses to champion the entrepreneurial case for decarbonisation and nature restoration. Our new Green Capitalism Network will convene environmentally-conscious individuals and businesses, connect them to politicians on the centre-right, demonstrate support within the business community for green policies, and ensure their concerns and ideas are fed into future policymaking.

By joining this network, you would be supporting our work to mount a constructive conservative environmentalist opposition and to champion a strong role for the environment and clean growth in future centre-right policy. We will continue to develop a measured critique of the government's environmental agenda, highlighting excesses of government intervention, economic inefficiencies, and gaps between rhetoric and delivery, and develop a positive alternative, focused on economic and philosophical dividing lines rather than environmental ones.

All parties are courting the support of businesses and seeking policies to unleash private innovation and investment and drive economic growth. Combined with CEN's broad networks of politicians and our track record of influencing Conservative policies under the last government - for instance, securing new nature-friendly farming schemes, an expanded Blue Belt around the UK Overseas Territories, and tax incentives for energy efficiency measures - our new green capitalism network will be really important for nudging future environmental policies in a more market-oriented direction.

This network will provide members with opportunities to form new connections and strengthen existing ones with those working in politics, policymaking, finance and industry. Its holistic focus on all environmental issues, both in the nature and climate spaces, will help members expand their networks in new fields, and improve their awareness of centre-right politics and policy.

CEN Director



About CEN

CEN is the home for conservatives who support responsible environmental leadership.

We are a broad network, bringing people together and giving people a shared identity around conservative environmentalism. We convene conservatives to debate environmental issues in a trusted setting, and find common ground.

We coordinate environmental action within the conservative movement and mobilise conservatives to achieve positive environmental policy change. We do not undertake policy research ourselves, rather we rely on peer-reviewed research to inform our work.

Our networks

We work with like-minded conservative environmentalists across the UK and abroad.

Our network includes:

- 50 Members of Parliament and 31 peers, together forming the CEN Caucus.
- 17 Members of Scottish Parliament, together forming the CEN Scottish Parliamentary Group
- Nearly 500 councillors from across the UK and over 1600 grassroots supporters
- More than 350 legislators from over 45 countries that have signed our Centre-Right Climate Action Declaration.

Policy wins

Our policy wins include:

- Scrapping VAT on energy efficiency products to cut the cost of heat pumps, insulation, and solar panels for households
- Securing private investment in offshore wind
- Reforming farm subsidies post-Brexit to reward farmers for sustainable farming and for improvements they make to the natural environment
- Cracking down on polluting water companies by removing the cap on fines and ringfencing fines for environmental improvements.

Membership options

We offer a range of membership offerings. Our Burke and Thatcher membership tiers are open to businesses, while our Scruton network enables individuals to get involved in the team's work.

Scruton

- Invites to two virtual roundtables per year with the CEN team to feed in policy ideas
- One guaranteed ticket for every relevant CEN event and celebration, including drinks receptions and lectures
- Monthly tailored update on our work, and previews of our policy option papers and essay collections ahead of publication.

Annual subscription: £250 + VAT

Burke

- Invites to two virtual policy roundtables per year with businesses, politicians, and conservative thought leaders
- Two guaranteed tickets for every relevant CEN event and celebration, including drinks receptions and lectures
- Sponsorship of an informal drinks event with CEN in our offices or yours
- Monthly, virtual drop-in calls for network members to feed in ideas and receive an update on the intellectual currents flowing in Conservative circles
- Monthly tailored update on our work, and previews of our policy option papers and essay collections ahead of publication
- Two tickets to our annual business networking event.

Annual subscription: £2,500 + VAT

Thatcher

Difference in offering from the Burke membership:

- Sponsorship of a premier CEN event, held in a specialised events venue. Previous events have included drinks receptions in the Houses of Parliament or the Old Queen Street Cafe, and reception or panel events at Conservative Party Conference. This offering is in place of the opportunity to host a more informal drinks event in our offices.

Annual subscription: £12,000 + VAT

Membership offering

Please see a comparative breakdown below of our Burke and Thatcher membership offerings which are open to businesses. The Scruton membership option is exclusively open to individuals involved in the private sector.

	Invites to two virtual roundtables	Invite to relevant CEN events and celebrations	Monthly updates	Monthly, virtual drop-in calls	Tickets to our annual business networking event	Sponsorship of an informal, office-based drinks event	Sponsorship of a premier event in a specialised events venue
Burke	Y	Two tickets	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Thatcher	Y	Two tickets	Y	Y	Y		Y

Next steps

The team would be delighted to answer your questions about our Green Capitalism Network. You can reach out to us at isabel@cen.uk.com.

We would be very happy to set up a meeting to discuss how you can support our work, the different membership offerings, and how you can get involved.

You can view the different membership options and subscribe for the Scruton, Burke, and Thatcher offerings via PayPal. Please reach out if you would like us to raise an invoice so you can subscribe via bank transfer. Thank you for considering supporting CEN and we look forward to working with you on this exciting new project.

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