

Implementing Coal Transitions to Raise Climate Ambition

UNFCCC COP24 Side Event

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16:45 - 18:15

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Context and Aims

Coal transitions are an essential part of raising climate ambition. Globally, 36 governments have now pledged to phase out coal from electricity production by 2030. Coal use in some of the world's largest economies is now either in secular decline (Europe, US) or is stagnating (China). However, even though global investment is slowing rapidly, coal use continues to grow in some countries. Coal transitions also present challenges, especially for major coal using economies.

This side event will present new research conducted by the Coal Transitions international project that explored concrete pathways for major coal using economies (China, India, South Africa, Poland, Germany and Australia) to implement 2°C compatible coal transitions. It will also invite international policy makers to share recent experience of implementing coal transitions domestically.

Agenda

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| 16.45-16.50 | <p>Welcome, introduction and chair for the event
 Andrzej Błachowicz, Managing Director, Climate Strategies</p> |
| 16.50-17.10 | <p>Implementing coal transitions – implementable insights from global case studies
 Oliver Sartor, Research Fellow, Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI)</p> |
| 17.10-17.30 | <p>Country-specific coal transitions pathways
 South Africa: Jesse Burton, UCT
 Germany: Jörn Richstein, Research Associate, DIW Berlin
 Poland: Jan Witajewski-Baltvilks, IBS</p> |

17.30-17.50

Experience of Spain and Ontario with just transition in the coal sector

Begoña María-Tomé Gil, ISTAS (Union Institute of Work, Environment and Health), Spain

Moustapha Kamal Gueye, ILO

17.50-18.15

Q&A

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