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Climate change action in a post-Covid-19 landscape

IOE High-Level digital conference

29 June (14:00-15:30 GVA time)

Massive financial dislocation and the corresponding loss of jobs following Covid-19 can be viewed as a foreshadow of how climate related events could disrupt economies and societies across the world.

- How can we build a better normal by strengthening synergies between pandemic recovery and climate adaptation and mitigation strategies to foster economic growth and job creation?
- How can lessons learned from Covid-19 be integrated into economic resilience initiatives to climate related events?
- In what ways are international agencies taking a fresh look at their climate efforts in light of Covid-19 economic response and recovery?

These are some of the questions we will examine during this virtual high-level dialogue. The aim is also to identify joint action to leverage the opportunity that this will entail.

IOE will launch a policy publication on climate change and employment. The paper will offer guidance on how business and governments can work together to ensure adaptation and mitigation strategies are good for business and the environment.

Tentative Agenda*

Welcoming remarks

- Erol Kiresepi (IOE President)

Setting the scene and moderation

- Roberto Suárez Santos (IOE Secretary-General)

Dialogue 1

- **Inger Andersen** (Executive Director, UNEP): *How can international governance best reinforce and support business efforts? TBC*
- **Josu Jon Imaz San Miguel** (Chief Executive Officer, Repsol): *Companies taking the lead: Opportunities and challenges TBC*

Q&A 1st round

Dialogue 2

- **Bruce McMaster** (President of the National Business Association of Colombia, **ANDI**): *Taking sustainability action: what is the reality on the ground?*
- **Vic Van Vuuren** (Director of Enterprise Department / Green Job Programme, **ILO**): *Strengthening climate resilience, supporting job creation and sustainable enterprises*

Q&A 2nd round

Dialogue 3

- **Jenny Bofinger-Schuster** (Senior VP Sustainability & Corporate Responsibility, **Siemens**): *Achieving carbon neutrality by 2030: what impact on the supply chain?*
- **Rodolfo Lacy** (Director Environment Directorate, **OECD**): *Building back better: A Sustainable, Resilient Recovery after COVID-19?*

Q&A 3rd round

Looking ahead (towards COP26)

- **Nigel Topping** (High Level Climate Action Champion for UN climate talks, **UNFCCC**): *How can business and governments and the international community boost progress?*

IOE concluding remarks

* Order may be subject to changes