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Clifford Chance ran a COP26 Perspectives Series which introduced and explored the campaign themes and related topics of the COP26 summit held in November 2021 in Glasgow. The series shed light on the history and context of the annual UN COP climate change discussions, and examined what we can expect this year both in and outside the formal meetings, and how policy outcomes may translate into practical implications and opportunities for global businesses.

Topic	Date / Time
<p><b>COP26 – did it deliver?</b> <i>Paul Koppel, Roger Leese, Angela McEwan, Olamide Oladosu, Cheng Li Yow, Thomas Voland</i> Now that COP26 is over, some of our expert panellists from our COP26 Perspectives Series reflected on whether it met expectations and assessed what to look for next. <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b> 24 November 1pm – 2pm GMT</p>
<p><b>Electric vehicles: Low-carbon mobility – getting to net-zero</b> <i>Ferry Franz (Toyota Motor Europe), Nicole Englisch, Thomas Voland, Phillip Souta</i> Consumer uptake of electric vehicles is taking off, but so is the realisation that lower exhaust emissions alone won't deliver 'net zero'. The overall carbon footprint of vehicle and battery production is coming under increasing scrutiny, with implications for extractive industries, energy production and transmission, and alternative fuel sources such as hydrogen. Our experts examined how net zero is most likely to be achieved. <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b> 3 November 1pm – 2pm GMT</p>
<p><b>The role of women in managing climate change</b> <i>Emma Howard Boyd (Environment Agency), Clare Perry O'Neill (World Business Council for Sustainable Development), Clare Burgess</i> This session organised in collaboration with the Energy &amp; Climate Change Institute, Queen Mary, University of London included our keynote speaker, Emma Howard Boyd, Chair of the Environment Agency, and a follow-up discussion with Claire Perry O'Neill, Managing Director for Climate and Energy at the World Business Council for Sustainable Development. We discussed the key themes and developments shaping the area, with a special focus on the disproportionate impact of climate change on women, and the role of women as instigators of change. <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday</b> 21 October 6:30pm – 7:30pm BST</p>

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<p><b>The future of cities</b>  <i>Bernice Lee (Chatham House), Tina Paillet (RICS), Chinwe Odimba-Chapman, Daniel Royle, Matt Taylor</i>            Achieving net zero has huge implications for our daily lives and our urban environments. In this session, we discussed what future cities might look like around the world, investigated the role of technology, considered potential investment opportunities and explored what this means for the workforce of the future.  <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b>            20 October            1pm – 2pm BST</p>
<p><b>Adaptation and resilience</b>  <i>Lucia Bevere (Swiss Re), Flavia Rosembuj (International Finance Corporation), JinWee Tan (M&amp;G plc), Paul Koppel, Olamide Oladosu</i>            One of the goals of COP26 is to help communities adapt to climate change. We welcomed speakers from IFC, Swiss Re and M&amp;G plc alongside panellists from Clifford Chance to discuss the challenges that lie ahead and we examined how development banks, the insurance industry, asset owners and regulators are proposing to foster adaptation and resilience.  <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b>            13 October            1pm – 2pm BST</p>
<p><b>Mobilising finance – the third COP26 goal</b>  <i>María Fernanda Esquivel (CMI Energía), François Gilles (European Investment Bank), Huw van Steenis (UBS), Clare Burgess, Angela McEwan</i>            The financial sector is being called upon to facilitate and encourage the trillions in private finance needed to achieve net zero targets and to take more account of climate in financial decision-making and regulation. Meeting the challenge of securing US\$100bn in climate finance each year from developed countries is high on the agenda. We examined what this might mean in practice for COP26 and why and how the financial sector is regarded as pivotal to arresting climate change.  <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b>            6 October            1pm – 2pm BST</p>
<p><b>EU's CBAM – international trendsetter or doomed to fail?</b>  <i>Mathias Elspass, Nigel Howorth, Dan Neidle, Gail Orton, Janet Whittaker</i>            In July 2021, the European Commission published a proposal for a new carbon border adjustment mechanism (CBAM) to address the issue of carbon leakage from products produced outside the European Union. The panel considered the design of CBAM, its ramifications for different sectors (in the EU and abroad), the likelihood of a challenge at the WTO and whether other jurisdictions will follow suit.  <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday</b>            16 September            1pm – 2pm BST</p>

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<p><b>The Challenges of Energy Transition</b> <i>Karina Ng (Shell International), Olamide Oladosu, James Pay, Delphine Siino Courtin</i> What are the challenges facing the implementation of the energy transition needed to limit climate change in line with the 2016 Paris Agreement? In this webinar, our panel considered these challenges from a range of different perspectives, and shared their thoughts on how to achieve the pace and breadth of change required. <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b> 30 June 1pm – 2pm BST</p>
<p><b>China's opening-up and green agenda</b> <i>Paget Dare Bryan, David Tsai, Ying White, Maggie Zhao</i> China's 14<sup>th</sup> five-year plan suggests that the country will remain committed to sustainable development over the next five years. In this session, our panel discussed China's Green agenda, what China's Green commitments mean for business and how the increasing foreign ownership of Chinese assets will help introduce the international standards on ESG. <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday</b> 22 June 9am – 10am BST</p>
<p><b>Trade and climate change – what does the pathway to COP26 and beyond look like?</b> <i>Jessica Gladstone, Jeremy Stewart, Thomas Volland, Janet Whittaker</i> Businesses are increasingly seeking opportunities to reduce the emissions intensity of their supply chains in order to achieve net zero targets. At the same time, governments are exploring a range of domestic and international policy options for accelerating the transition to a more sustainable economy – particularly in the lead up to COP26 in Glasgow. The panellists explored some of the barriers faced by businesses seeking to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, and the role that international trade and regulatory policy can play in alleviating these barriers. <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday</b> 8 June 1pm – 2pm BST</p>
<p><b>Nature-based solutions</b> <i>Martin Berg (HSBC Pollination), Robert Spencer (AECOM Europe), Daniel Drabkin, Roger Leese, Lily Marcel, Deborah Zandstra</i> Our first session in the COP26 Perspectives Series looked at nature-based solutions and the crucial role that nature plays, not only in combating climate change, but also in sustaining healthy life, nutritious diets and national economies. Our panel discussed biodiversity and climate change; what are nature-based solutions, and why are they so critical?; and how will nature-based solutions be financed? We looked at a variety of state and private sector mechanisms, including sovereign debt for nature swaps, tax and trade policy, private investment and the role of NGOs. <b>Click here to view the video recording.</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b> 26 May 1pm – 2pm BST</p>

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