



SENATORS FOR CLIMATE SOLUTIONS

SÉNATEURS POUR DES SOLUTIONS CLIMATIQUES



# **Senators for Climate Solutions 2022-2023 *Year Two in Review***

# Who We Are:

Open to all Senators who wish to join

## 46 HONOURABLE SENATORS FROM ALL SENATE GROUPS (& NON-AFFILIATED)

### Cofounders

Mary Coyle  
Stan Kutcher

Margaret Dawn  
Anderson  
David Arnot  
Michèle Audette  
Diane Bellemare  
Rob Black  
Gwen Boniface  
Andrew Cardozo  
Claude Carignan  
Bernadette Clement  
René Cormier

Jane Cordy  
Brent Cotter  
Pierre Dalphond  
Colin Deacon  
Marty Deacon  
Tony Dean  
Pat Duncan  
Renée Dupuis  
Brian Francis  
Rosa Galvez  
Amina Gerba  
Clément Gignac  
Margo Greenwood  
Peter Harder  
Nancy Hartling  
Frances Lankin  
Tony Loffreda

Elizabeth Marshall  
Sabi Marwah  
Marie-Françoise Mégie  
Marilou McPhedran  
Julie Miville- Dechêne  
Rosemary Moodie  
Ratna Omidvar  
Kim Pate  
Chantal Petitclerc  
Jim Quinn  
Mohamed Ravaliala  
Pierrette Ringuette  
Judith Seidman  
Karen Sorensen  
Raymonde Saint- Germain  
Yuen Pau Woo  
Hassan Yussuff

### What we do:

We bring together, inform and support Senators from all Senate groups who want to find effective solutions to climate change.

## International Connections

Senator Pat Bovey, Senator Rosa Galvez and Senator Mary Coyle attended the COP27 International Climate Conference in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt, in November 2022 as part of the official Canadian delegation. The Senators met with parliamentarians from across the globe, represented the Canadian Senate and attended a variety of sessions focused on climate solutions.

Senator Andrew Cardozo and Senator Rosa Galvez represented the Senate at the COP15 International Biodiversity Conference in Montreal in December 2022.



At COP27, Canadian Senators meet with Baroness Bryony Worthington (second from the left), cofounder and co-chair of Peers for the Planet, the UK House of Lords' climate and biodiversity group.

# Group in Action

## BRIEFING NOTES

- *Fall Economic Statement 2022 Climate Highlights*
- *Budget 2023 Climate Highlights*
- *COP15 UN Biodiversity Conference Highlights*
- *COP27 UN Climate Conference Highlights*
- *Find all of the briefing notes from this session and past sessions on our new SharePoint Drive. Recordings and notes for most of our live events are also available. Member Senators and their staff can click the SharePoint Tab on our website to access.*

Follow our Twitter account where we post updates for Senators on climate news and share our group's progress.



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## EVENTS WITH EXPERTS

- *September 2022: Official Launch of the Senators for Climate Solutions Group, with remarks by the Right Honourable David Johnston, Senator Michèle Audette, Senate Speaker pro-tempore Pierrette Ringuette, Baroness Helene Hayman of the UK House of Lords' Peers for the Planet group, and a representative of a delegation of New Zealand Parliamentarians.*
- *October 2022: "Saving Us: A Climate Scientist's Case for Hope and Healing" with Dr. Katharine Hayhoe of The Nature Conservancy and Texas Tech University.*
- *December 2022: "Post-COP27 Briefing Session" with Steven Kuhn and Laurence Ahoussou, Canada's Chief and Deputy Chief Negotiators for Climate Change.*
- *February 2023: "Post-COP15 UN Biodiversity Conference Briefing Session" with Tara Shannon, Canada's Chief Negotiator for COP15, and Kelly Torck of the Canadian Wildlife Service.*
- *February 2023: "Powering Canada's Future: What will it take to green and grow the grid?" with Caroline Lee of the Canadian Climate Institute, Anthony Haines of Toronto Hydro, and Dr. Sara Hastings-Simon of the University of Calgary.*
- *May 2023: "Climate Solutions in Agriculture", expert panel moderated by Senator Rob Black, featuring Scott Ross of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, Brent Preston and Andrew Rushmere of Farmers for Climate Solutions, and Dalhousie University Professor David Burton.*

*In this second year of our climate work, we are fortunate to have benefitted from the helpful contributions of our GreenPAC Parliamentary Intern, Ben Liao Gormley, and appreciate our partnership with GreenPAC.*



# New Resources for our Members

## New SharePoint Drive

## New Website

The new Senators for Climate Solutions website is being launched in July 2023. It amplifies the work of our group, highlighting our activities, news, and resources.

For our members only, we have launched the Senators for Climate Solutions SharePoint Drive. Available on the drive are briefing notes and recordings of our events with experts, including coverage on federal budgets and international COP Climate Conferences. Member Senators and their staff can click the “SharePoint” tab on our website to access these resources.



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### About Senators for Climate Solutions

#### Our Purpose

Senators for Climate Solutions brings together, informs, and supports Canadian senators who want to find effective solutions to climate change. Our focus has been on education with a view to using our knowledge in our legislative work and other roles as senators. We have more than 45 members with representation from across the country and throughout the chamber.

Go to <https://senatorsforclimatesolutions.sencanada.ca/> to visit our website



# Looking Ahead 2023-2024:

We welcome your suggestions

## ● Expert Events

In the fall, we plan to host expert panels on responding and adapting to climate-induced natural disasters, and on climate finance. In the winter, we will host events on different energy solutions and on nature-based solutions.

## ● Briefing Notes

We will be providing briefing notes on COP28 context & outcomes, the Fall Economic Statement and Budget 2024.

## ● International Networking

We will ensure the Senate is represented at the COP28 Dubai International Climate Conference in December 2023. We will also continue collaborating with the UK House of Lords' Peers for the Planet and work to foster other international linkages.

***More to come in 2024***