

# Productive and Inclusive Net Zero (PRINZ) workshop

This workshop will convene researchers and policy stakeholders to explore findings from the ESRC-funded PRINZ programme and related research. Participants will discuss policy implications, share insights, and shape the direction of ongoing collaborative work.

We hope you will be able to join us at the LSE, and provide your perspectives in the discussion, which will be held under Chatham House Rules.

13 Feb 2026, London School of Economics, Sir Arthur Lewis building, 32 Lincoln's Inn Fields. SAL 1.04.

## Registration and coffee from 09:15

### 09:45 – 10:00 Welcome and introduction

Anna Valero, LSE  
Ralf Martin, Imperial Business School and International Finance Corporation / World Bank

### 10:00 – 10:30 Keynote presentation and context setting

**The growth story of the 21st century: the economics and opportunity of climate action**  
Nicholas Stern, LSE

### 10:30 – 11:45 Informing UK industrial strategy

Chair: Henry Overman, LSE

**Informing industrial strategy for clean technologies in the UK: the green industrial policy matrix and beyond**  
Anna Valero, LSE

**Firm and sector level decision-making on productivity and net zero**  
Alice Owen, University of Leeds

**Place-based industrial strategy: opportunities and limitations**  
Bart van Ark, University of Manchester

**Recent lessons from US industrial policy**  
Nathan Lane, LSE

Roundtable discussion

### 11:45 – 12:00 Coffee

**12:00 – 13:15 International evidence on net zero, productivity and competitiveness**

Chair: Swati Dhingra, LSE

**Green innovation: an opportunity for developing countries?**

Ralf Martin, Imperial Business School and International Finance Corporation / World Bank

**The economic benefits of renewable energy**

Sam Fankhauser, Oxford Smith School, University of Oxford

**Ray of hope? Chinese innovation, green industrial policy and the rise of solar energy**

John Van Reenen, LSE

**Resource creation and structural change: net zero; productivity and competitiveness**

Dimitri Zenghelis, Bennett School of Public Policy, University of Cambridge and the Grantham Research Institute, LSE

Roundtable discussion

**13:15 – 14:00 Lunch****14:00 – 15:15 Net zero and the labour market**

Chair: Sandra McNally, University of Surrey and CEP, LSE

**What online vacancy data tells us about low carbon work, skills and place**

Aurélien Saussay, LSE

**Apprenticeships and low-carbon skills in England**

Guglielmo Ventura, University of Barcelona and CEP, LSE

**Beyond efficiency: labour market resilience in an age of AI and net zero**

Maria del Rio-Chanona, University College London

**Challenges and opportunities for the UK's clean energy jobs plan**

Hugo Jones, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Roundtable discussion

**15:15 – 15:20 Concluding remarks and close**