

COP24 Side Event

A matter of urgency: How to get transport on a fast track to decarbonization

Unlike all other key sectors transport has not delivered emission reductions to date. Given the ever-increasing need for mobility of people and goods, a failure to get transport on a climate fast track puts the Paris targets at risk. Solutions to bring down emissions and to safeguard mobility and access are there but their implementation remains slow in most regions across the globe. The event will identify the main barriers that prevent transport from shifting to a sustainable pathway, showcase leading initiatives for climate action in transport and emphasize the electrification of road transport embedded in sustainable transport policy.

Date: Monday, 10 December 2018, 05.30 – 07.00 p.m.

Location: German Pavilion at COP 24, Katowice, Poland

Moderation by Christian Hochfeld, Executive Director, Agora Verkehrswende

PROGRAMME	
05.30 – 05.50	<p>Introduction: Taking stock of climate action in transport within G20</p> <p><i>Christian Hochfeld, Executive Director, Agora Verkehrswende</i></p>
05.50 – 06.35	<p>Keynote</p> <p><i>George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, British Columbia</i></p> <p>Panel Discussion: Can electrification of road transport support the transformation of the transport sector and ensure future mobility?</p> <p><i>Els de Wit, Deputy Director Vehicles and Fuels, Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management of the Netherlands</i></p> <p><i>Andreas Klugescheid, Head of Steering Governmental Affairs, External Relations and Sustainability Communication, BMW Group</i></p> <p><i>N.N., City of Warsaw</i></p> <p><i>George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, British Columbia</i></p>
06:35 – 07:00	<p>Moderated Dialogue</p> <p><i>Michał Kurtyka, President of COP24 and State Secretary at the Ministry of the Environment of Poland</i></p> <p><i>Jochen Flasbarth, State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety of Germany</i></p>