



EDF at the UN Climate Action Summit and Climate Week

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As the call for action to address climate change grows louder worldwide, the UN Secretary General is asking leaders to develop ambitious plans that meet the urgency of the crisis facing our planet. Will leaders attending the UN Climate Action Summit rise to the occasion? What will businesses and civil society leaders bring to the table in terms of new initiatives that can make progress in tandem with – or despite – what governments do? And how will the growing youth movement impact their actions?

Join us for a behind the scenes look and analysis of this year's UN Climate Action Summit and Climate Week activities in New York.

EDF Engage Podcast, "Live from Climate Week!" featuring EDF Senior Vice President of Climate [Nathaniel Keohane](#), EDF Vice President of Global Climate [Britt Groosman](#) and youth activist Helen Watts of Student Energy. **Monday, September 23 at 6 p.m.** For more information or to RSVP, please contact EDFengage@edf.org.

EDF will be participating in a number of events during UN Climate week, detailed below. Most are closed to the public, but we invite journalists to contact us if they are interested in attending or covering an event.

S A T U R D A Y, SEPTEMBER 21st

- *Transformative Solutions: Next Generation Technology and Global Youth Movements.* EDF, the UN Secretary General's office, the youth activist group [Student Energy](#), and Mission Innovation are hosting a session on how technology can improve the environment. This panel will feature speakers from Google, technology start-ups, as well as EDF Europe Executive Director [Bryony Worthington](#) and EDF Senior Manager, EDF+Business Energy, [Isabel Mogstad](#) who will be speaking about our [Breathe London](#) project and [MethaneSAT](#).
- *Carbon pricing.* The Carbon Pricing Leadership Coalition will launch the [High-Level Commission's Report on Carbon Pricing and Competitiveness](#). The Commission is co-chaired by Feike Sijbesma, CEO of Royal DSM, and Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group. The Commission brings together private sector leaders and senior government officials to explore the evidence base, the concerns of business, and the lessons from carbon pricing systems across the world. EDF's [Nathaniel Keohane](#) and [Kelley Kizzier](#) were advisors to this report and are on the advisory Committee.

S U N D A Y, SEPTEMBER 22nd

- *Reducing deforestation.* EDF will co-organize two panels at the [Nature's Climate Hub](#) focusing on nature-based solutions to reduce deforestation. The [first event](#) will present two new initiatives - Emergent Forest Finance Accelerator and [Architecture for REDD+ Transactions](#) – seeking to develop a

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new structure to scale finance for tropical forest protection. The [second event](#) features a discussion on corporate engagement in the [Produce, Conserve, Include strategy \(PCI\)](#), an initiative designed to support sustainable and inclusive economic growth in the state of Mato Grosso, Brazil through 2030. Both events are open to the public.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd

- *UN Climate Action Summit officially begins.* EDF's work on shipping is expected to be mentioned at the summit. Contact rcontreras@edf.org for embargoed statement and background.
- *U.S.-China Power Sector Carbon Trading Workshop.* EDF is hosting this workshop with the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) and China Electricity Council (CEC) to discuss sub-national industry ETS cooperation between the U.S. and China on climate change.
- EDF Engage Podcast, "Live from Climate Week!" (see above).

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th

- *[Carbon Removal Technology: A Must-Have for the Climate](#)* hosted by EDF and the Aspen Institute. Keynote address from former U.S. Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz followed by a panel discussion moderated by EDF President [Fred Krupp](#). The panel will feature leading policy experts, entrepreneurs and researchers.
- *[Carbon Forum North America](#).* The International Emissions Trading Association's (IETA) annual regional forum for political, business and NGO leaders to discuss the latest developments, innovations and the outlook on climate action and leadership. EDF and iCAP are co-organizing the two-day conference (Sept. 24-25) at the Explorers Club, which will consider business-driven climate solutions, focusing on carbon policy, pricing, finance and innovation. EDF's president [Fred Krupp](#), Senior Vice President [Nathaniel Keohane](#), Associate Vice President [Kelley Kizzier](#), and Chief Natural Resource Economist [Ruben Lubowski](#) will be on panels. Reception to follow. For a free press pass, contact Awa Antille, antille@ieta.org.

- "Oceans and Coastal Ecosystems for Climate Action - Fisheries and Aquaculture," co-organized by EDF with FAO, IUCN and CERMES. Contact Tad Segal, tsegal@edf.org.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th

- *Carbon Forum North America, day two* — EDF, IETA and iCAP.
- *Report on Oceans and the Cryosphere* will be released by the IPCC. EDF experts will be available to talk about the climate impact on fisheries. Contact Tad Segal, tsegal@edf.org.

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