

RACE Summit: Racial Action for the Climate Emergency



In the UK, the environmental charity sector is one of the least racially and ethnically diverse sectors and SOS-UK is working to try and change this through the collective mobilisation with [The RACE Report](#).

On 12th July 2024, [SOS-UK](#) in partnership with University College London sustainability team, the [Diverse Sustainability Initiative](#) and [Wildlife and Countryside Link](#) ran the first ever RACE Summit. The event brought together over 120 individuals from racially and ethnically minoritised groups in the UK environment sector, those who have the power to create the transformation for inclusion and diversity we need to see, and allies. It was day of co-producing ideas for positive change and collective action.

Read our Angelica's blog about the summit 'Climate justice means justice for all': [RACE Summit: Racial Action for the Climate Emergency](#).

Read Jemimah's blog about the summit 'Fostering inclusivity in the sustainability sector': [RACE Summit: Racial Action for the Climate Emergency](#).

Green Office Movement - Planning for the 2024-25 academic year

With the new academic year just around the corner, it is likely many Green Offices and student organisations are busy planning their programme of events, projects and campaigns for the year. We'd love to hear from you to share your stories and plans in our newsletter and through our social media to platform the work of our members. What are your priorities for the year? What are the challenges you might be facing? Do you have a program of events planned? Please tag us in your communications @sos_dot_earth and send us an email with your updates (contact@sos.earth).

For those of you who are sign-up members of the GOM, please don't hesitate to get in touch for a planning and support call with us to help you on your way.

The September Green Office Movement network call has been re-scheduled to **Tuesday 24th September, 1pm - 2pm (BST)/ 2 - 3pm (CET)**.



Education for Sustainability Forum - Side Event

Join the University of Tasmania for an online interactive forum to drive universities to embed sustainable systems thinking at their core.

The keynote speaker is Emeritus Professor Stephen Sterling, University of Plymouth, UK GUEST. Speakers include Professor Dr Agni Kalfagianni, Erasmus University Professor Fred Gale, University of Tasmania There will be presentations by: Assoc Prof Aidan Davison, the University of Tasmania Dr Laura Ripoll Gonzalez, Erasmus University Dr. Graham Wood, University of Tasmania Dr Ana Vasques, Erasmus University Dr Brian Deyo, Grand Valley State UniversityTIMING.

This virtual side event happening on Thursday 17 October Europe from 10.00-11.30 am (CEST) Australia from 7.00-8.30 pm (AEDT). Register [here](#)



SOS-International Monthly Member exchange!

Our last Member Exchange was great! It offered an opportunity to know the project priorities and strategies of our members so we can connect more.

Join October Member Exchange



4th October



Zoom



9.30am BST/ 10.30am CET (1-hour)/ 5.30pm UTC (Japan)

Topic: The priorities for the 2024-25 / second half of the year and how SOS-Int can connect and support initiatives.

Register Here: <https://bit.ly/3Z6civZ> 

Use this opportunity to share learning, updates, discuss collectively and connect.

HOST THE SOS SUMMIT 2025



The 2025 summit promises to be a platform where innovative solutions and global collaboration will shape a greener future for all.

To host the next SOS-International and GOM summit please complete

The Expression of Interest Form

<https://forms.office.com/e/nK3NDL5GcW>



Deadline is now **22nd September 2024**

For any questions, kindly contact us: contact@sos.earth



COP29
Baku
Azerbaijan
UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

The 29th Conference of the Parties (COP 29) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will occur from November 11 to November 22, 2024, in Baku, Azerbaijan. The leadership of the COP29 led by the president-designate, Mukhtar Babayev has announced the provisional dates for the COP activities and these are as follows;

Key Dates:

November 11, 2024: Opening Ceremony and High-Level Segment

November 13-15, 2024: Thematic Days focusing on Climate Finance, Adaptation, and Technology Transfer. Keep an eye out for education and youth focused days!

November 19-20th 2024: Ministerial-level discussions

November 22th 2024: Closing Ceremony and Adoption of the COP 29 Decisions

COP 29 will be a pivotal moment for global climate action, as nations gather to review and enhance their commitments to the Paris Agreement, focusing on efforts to limit global temperature rise to well below 2°C and pursuing efforts to limit it to no more than 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels.

COP 29 is more than just a conference, it's a call to action for the global community, especially those in positions of power, to step up and take the lead in addressing the climate crisis. As an organization dedicated to empowering young voices, SOS International encourages all students, youth groups, and allies to engage in this significant event. Whether through direct participation, virtual engagement, or supporting local climate initiatives, your involvement is crucial.

This global event should represent a critical opportunity for young people to actively participate in shaping the future of our planet, at whatever scale that may be. We will strive to keep you updated with student and youth engagement opportunities and events as key dates are finalised. Let's make COP 29 a milestone for youth-led climate action.

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