



Defra & Agricultural Economics Society one-day conference

Friday 17th January 2020

Going to zero: UK agriculture's contribution to climate change mitigation

Defra, Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London SW1P 3JR

9.30	Registration & Coffee	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Morning session <i>Chaired by John Curnow, Chief Economist and Director of Analysis, Defra</i></p> <p>The morning will focus on the challenges and potential impact of reducing carbon emissions in UK agriculture</p>	
10:00-10:40	Opening remarks, policy developments and outlook	David Kennedy, Director General for Food, Farming and Biosecurity, Defra
10:40-11:40	Keynote speech: Cross-government agricultural policy: developing consistent trade, climate and production policies for UK farmers	Matthew Bell, Frontier Economics
11:40-12:00	Coffee break	
12:00-12:40	Agriculture's potential and costs of reducing greenhouse gas emissions: how marginal abatement cost curve studies can help	Vera Eory, Scotland's Rural University College
12:40-13:20	What would 'net-zero' agricultural emissions achieve, and how does this compare to other sectors?	John Lynch, University of Oxford
13:20-14:10	Lunch	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Afternoon session <i>Chaired by Janet Dwyer, President-Elect of the Agricultural Economics Society</i></p> <p>The afternoon will focus on some of the policy and practical solutions to reaching net zero carbon emissions in the UK, as well as the international context</p>	
14:10-14:50	Hitting the target but missing the point? The problem with environmental efficiency	Tara Garnett, Food Climate Research Network
14:50-15:30	The NFU's Net Zero Ambition for UK agriculture	Rohit Kaushish, National Farmers' Union
15:30-16:10	Mitigation policies and their trade-offs in the agri-food sector: a global perspective	Ben Henderson and Marcel Adenäuer, OECD



	Coffee break
16:30-17:30	Panel discussion Reflections on the day, including future research and data needs, questions and comments from the floor.

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