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Are you part of the next generation of carbon experts?

The Climate Registry and the [Greenhouse Gas Management Institute \(GHGMI\)](#) have partnered to offer an online Basics of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Organizational Accounting course.

The course will prepare individuals and organizations

Be part of a community of leaders at The Climate Registry's Annual North American Policy Forum: June 23, 2010 in Chicago

Join industry, government, academic and NGO leaders in Chicago on June 23rd for The Registry's Annual North American Policy Forum. The Forum will feature a series of engaging panels and speakers who will focus on the rapidly evolving climate policy landscape and provide practical and innovative ways to prepare for - and thrive - in the low carbon world.

Speakers include:

Pat Quinn, *Governor*, State of Illinois (Invited)

Doug Scott, *Director*, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Chair of The Climate Registry

Mary Nichols, *Chairman*, California Air Resources Board

Robert Noël de Tilly, *Senior Policy Advisor*, Québec Ministry of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks

David Littell, *Commissioner*, Maine Department of Environmental Protection

Emilie Mazzacurati, *Manager*, Carbon Market Research, Point Carbon

John Hoekstra, *Director of Sustainability*, Summit Energy

Lisa Grice, ENVIRON

Gary Gero, *President*, Climate Action Reserve

Lucia Green Weiskel, *Climate Change Program Manager*, ICET (China Registry project)

Malcolm Fox, *Director of Sustainability Programs*, NSF

Jeff Fort, *Partner*, Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal LLP

for calculating carbon footprints according to established international standards (the World Resources Institute's GHG Protocol, ISO 14065) and The Climate Registry's General Reporting Protocol.

The course provides participants with practical experience using Registry protocols, and covers the basics of GHG organizational accounting. Learners who take the exam can receive a Certificate of Proficiency in both the Basics of Organizational GHG Accounting and Reporting to The Climate Registry.

The course starts May 1st, and you can register online through The Climate Registry's [calendar](#).

Upcoming webinars

[May 1: Basics of Organizational GHG Accounting \(through GHGMI\)](#)

[May 5: Introduction to The Climate Registry](#)

[May 17: Introduction to Batch Verification](#)

[May 19: Building an inventory](#)

- [May 21: Prepare for Verification](#)

[May 24: General Verification Training](#)

[May 25: Best practices in carbon management in the wine industry](#)

[May 26: Dollars and Sense: Making the Case for Energy Efficiency](#)

View our full [calendar](#)

2010 Regional

Ester Matthews, *Director Climate Protection Program*, City of Austin, Texas

Following the Forum, The Registry will hold its first-ever awards reception, honoring the leaders who are setting the standard in The Registry community.

For more information and for access to registration options click [here](#).

Member kudos

Congratulations to our newly Climate Registered Members!

Armstrong World Industries	Point Carbon North America
Bentley Prince Street	Progress Energy
Colorado Springs Utilities	Salt River Project
Cooper Mountain Vineyards	San Diego Unified Port District
Cormetech	Sokol Blosser Winery
El Dorado Energy LLC	Soter Vineyards
ENVIRON International Corp	Stanford Linear Accelerator Center
Hydranautics	Termoelectrica de Mexicali, S. de R.L. de C.V.
Johnson & Johnson	US Postal Service
Kennecott Utah Copper	USANA Health Sciences
Left Coast Cellars	Utah Transit Authority
Lemelson Vineyards	Washington State Department of Ecology
Mesquite Power, LLC	West Linn Paper Company
New York MTA	Wolverine Power Cooperative
Platte River Power	

The leaders of the pack

The Climate Registered reduction program Charter Members are Seattle Steam Company, Eastman Kodak, Flight Centre Canada, Allergan, Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Ecology & Environment, Armstrong World Industries, Bentley Prince Street, Thurston County, Left Coast Cellars, City of Austin, Sierra Nevada Brewing Co, 3Degrees and the US Postal Service.

These leading organizations have committed to applying for Climate Registered Silver, Gold or Platinum status by December 2010. Their efforts and initiatives will create a foundation of best practices that will no doubt benefit The Registry community for many years to come.

Save the date

All Charter Members and Members who will be Climate Registered by June should plan to attend the first-ever award reception in Chicago on June 23, 2010!

The Climate Registered logo - the mark of organizations that measure and reduce their emissions with integrity - is now available to organizations for use. For information, please visit our [logo guidelines page](#).

Forum series: speakers and sponsorship opportunities

The Registry is now confirming speakers and sponsors for our upcoming forums in Chicago, (June 23rd) and Vancouver (October 13th). If you are interested in speaking or sponsoring these events, please contact Kati Price at kati@theclimateregistry.org

chicago



Midwest Forum
Chicago | June 23

vancouver



Canadian Forum
Vancouver | October 13

Welcome new Members!

The Registry welcomed 26 new Members in March and April:

Willamette Valley Vineyards
King Estate Winery, LP
Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP
Adelsheim Vineyard, LLC
Stoller Vineyards
Winderlea Vineyard and Winery
The Taylor Companies
Chehalem Winery
Agromin
The Better World Group
Mahonia Vineyards & Nursery

Despite a down economy and uncertain legislation, commitment to climate action and energy efficiency is growing

A survey of 1,400 Executives and Managers from the public and private sectors found that despite a down economy, most organizations are planning to invest in energy efficiency. The majority said their energy efficiency projects were motivated by improved image (63%), incentive programs (62%) and associated GHG reductions (62%). The importance of climate change is up five percentage points from last year. These motivators were second only to cost savings (97%).

The survey also found that action against climate change is growing even though the future of legislation is unclear. Although there was a slight drop in expectations for climate legislation this year, more organizations are setting voluntary carbon reduction goals. The vast majority of these businesses identify energy efficiency as their top climate strategy.

As energy efficiency becomes a standard part of strategic business planning, cost savings will remain the primary motivating factor. The co-motivators of GHG management and public image, however, will continue to grow in importance. Businesses are looking for ways they can max out the benefits of energy efficiency by bundling cost savings with strong marketing campaigns and GHG management.

The Climate Registry's Cool Planet Program participants benefit from tailored press releases and publicity, technical support building their GHG inventory, and funds to assist with the costs of verification. More information on the Cool Planet Program can be found [here](#).

This survey reflects the results of the fourth annual energy efficiency indicator released by Johnson Controls, Inc. on April 19, 2010. For more information on the 2010 Energy Efficiency indicator see [here](#).

Members in the news: Oregon wineries deliver low carbon wine

Fourteen pioneering Oregon wineries joined The Climate Registry as part of their commitment to the Carbon Neutral Challenge.

The participating wineries represent approximately 20 percent of Oregon's overall wine production, meaning that one-fifth of the wine produced in the state will now be low carbon wine. The wineries instituted a number of improvements to reduce GHG emissions, including installing solar panels, lighting retrofits, tank insulation and

Brown-Forman Corporation
2ndNature
A to Z Wineworks / Rex Hill Winery
Bekaert Specialty Films, LLC
Cascadia Consulting Group
Anne Amie Vineyards
Calico Solar, LLC
Township of Manchester
All American Asphalt
Mission Foods
Limoneira Company
The Lone Pine Paiute-Shoshone Reservation
P.W. Grosser Consulting, Inc.
Catholic Healthcare West
Chicago Transit Authority

What's new at The Registry? The Oil and Gas Production Protocol

The Registry has finalized the Oil and Gas Production (O&GP) Protocol, which is now posted on our [website](#).

The protocol is the first set of voluntary standards for North American oil and gas exploration and production organizations to comprehensively address measuring and reporting the entire range of GHG emissions sources associated with the exploration and production of oil and natural gas.

The O&GP Protocol will serve as an annex to The Climate Registry's General Reporting Protocol (GRP).

using goats, sheep and raptors instead of lawn-mowers and pesticides.

Click [here](#) for the media release.

Click [here](#) for the video on the Wine Spectator website (see carbon neutral segment).

Click [here](#) to register for the webinar being hosted by The Climate Registry and participating winery Sokol Blosser on best practices in carbon management in the wine industry (May 25th).

Verification corner

Last call for 2010 Batch Verification

The Registry has selected Advanced Waste Management Systems, Inc. (AWMS) as its 2010 Batch Verification Body (Batch VB).

Batch verification is a cost-effective verification process for Registry Members who have relatively simple GHG inventories (e.g. office-based organizations that may also have a few vehicles). For this batch of small emitters, The Registry negotiates a standard contract and fixed price with a Verification Body to help streamline the process and minimize the costs of completing verification.

In order to be eligible for batch verification, your GHG emissions inventory can not exceed 1,000 tonnes total CO₂-e emissions per emissions year; process emissions can not be included; and fugitive emissions must comprise less than five percent of the entity's total emissions.

In addition, Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions must originate from only the following sources:

- Indirect emissions from electricity consumption
- Direct emissions from stationary combustion for heating, cooling, or emergency electricity generation;
- Direct emissions from mobile combustion; and,
- Fugitive emissions from refrigeration, air conditioning, and/or fire suppression.

Members interested in participating in batch verification MUST participate in an Introduction to Batch Verification webinar. The Registry has already hosted two webinars and will hold a final webinar on May 17. Click [here](#) to register.

This webinar will introduce you to the Batch VB, help you to assess your eligibility to participate in batch verification, answer common questions regarding batch verification procedures, and provide information on how to submit your batch verification application directly to the Batch VB.

Morrison Hershfield and TUV SUD America attain ANSI Accreditation

On March 8, 2010, the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited Morrison Hershfield, Inc. and TUV SUD America Inc. to

conduct GHG inventory verification services for Members of The Climate Registry.

In order to attain accreditation, Morrison Hershfield and TUV SUD completed a thorough assessment process in which they demonstrated their independence, impartiality and competence to successfully verify GHG emissions inventories. ANSI's evaluation process included reviewing each firm's management systems and internal procedures, as well as participating in a facility visit to observe how each company provided verification services to a client.

The Climate Registry congratulates Morrison Hershfield and TUV SUD on this significant achievement and has added the two companies to the list of ANSI-accredited, Registry-recognized Verification Bodies. Members of The Climate Registry may use ANSI-accredited Verification Bodies to meet the verification requirements of The Climate Registry's voluntary reporting program.

Join The Climate Registry for "Prepare for Verification" webinars

The Climate Registry is hosting a round of webinars to help Members prepare for verification. The webinars, which are specifically designed for Registry Members, review the process and steps to verification, share lessons learned from organizations who completed verification and share tips provided by Verification Bodies.

Friday, May 21, 2010
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM EDT | 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM PDT
Register [here](#)

Thursday, June 17, 2010
1:00 PM - 2:30 PM EDT | 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM PDT
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About The Climate Registry

The Climate Registry is a non-profit organization that operates the only North American voluntary GHG registry. Governed by states, provinces, territories and tribes, The Climate Registry helps hundreds of public and private organizations measure, report and reduce their carbon emissions with integrity.

For information about joining The Registry, please visit www.theclimateregistry.org.

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