

# The role of legislation in implementing NDCs, increasing ambition and achieving carbon neutrality by 2050

Official UNFCCC Side-Event

**Saturday, 7th December 2019, 16:45—18:15**

Venue: COP 25, Madrid. **Hall 4, Room 3**, Blue Zone

*How to get public and political support for climate and energy transition laws and how to approach climate action in the times of social crisis? Why legislation is important on the road to net zero? What makes a law credible, effective and investable? The expert panel will discuss these questions drawing on the experiences in Chile, the EU, Germany, Spain and the UK. Hear the results of a new study on the attitudes of citizens towards the climate and energy transition legislation in Spain; latest developments on the net zero framework in the EU and the discussions on how to address climate concerns through the process of developing a new constitution in Chile.*

**16:45 – 16:55**      **Welcome: Global trends, challenges and opportunities around framework climate change and energy transition legislation**  
**Dr. Alina Averchenkova**, Distinguished Policy Fellow, Lead for Governance and Legislation, Grantham Research Institute, London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE).

**16:55 – 18:15**      **Panel discussion: Harnessing political and public support for ambitious climate and energy transition legislation. Experiences from the EU and Latin America**

- **Melissa Maljean Dubois**, Advisor to Senator Alfonso de Urresti, Senate of Chile
  - **Prof. Pilar Moraga**, CR2 and University of Chile
  - **Michael Bloss**, Member of the European Parliament, Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance
  - **Dr. Lara Lazaro**, Senior Analyst, Elcano Royal Institute, Spain.
  - **José Lopez-Tafall Bascuñana**, Director for Regulation, ACCIONA
  - **Laura Martín Murillo**, Advisor on Employment and Just Transition, Ministry for Ecological Transition, Spain (TBC)
- Moderator: **Dr. Alina Averchenkova**, Grantham Research Institute, LSE.

## Organizers

**The Center for Climate Science and Resilience (CR2)** brings together researchers from different disciplines of the natural and social sciences who study how climate change impacts ecosystems and Chilean society.

**The Elcano Royal Institute** is a think tank specialised in international and strategic studies conducted from a Spanish, European and global perspective. Its goal is to promote knowledge of the current international situation and of Spain's foreign relations and to provide a focal point for debating and generating ideas that may prove useful in the decision-making processes.

**Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment** was established by the London School of Economics and Political Science in 2008 for policy-relevant research and training, bringing together international expertise on economics, finance, geography, the environment, international development and political economy.