







CLIMATE WEEK NYC

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Highlights from Climate Week NYC 2026















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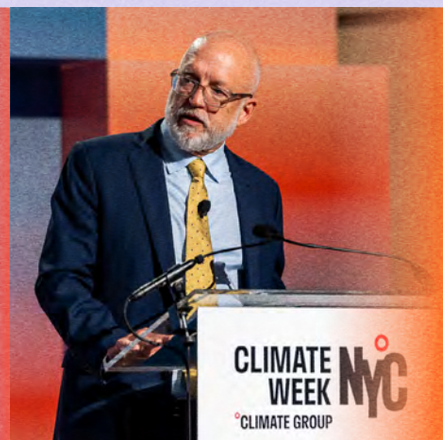
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ENERGY. IMPACT. ACTION. AND COURAGE.

After I stepped off the podium of the Opening Ceremony for the tenth time, handing over the microphone to speakers such as The Hon Anthony Albanese MP, Prime Minister of Australia and The Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP, Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom, I could not help but think back.

When I started in 2017, in the slipstream of the Paris Agreement, Climate Week NYC facilitated around 100 events and had an online reach of around 500 million. Our motto was Innovation. Jobs. Prosperity. It was a time defined by hope and optimism.

This year, we platformed more than 1,500 events, reaching billions of people, and our motto was Energy. Impact. Action. It signifies the shift we've made over the past years; from positive commitment to the need for urgent action and delivery.

Looking back on this Climate Week NYC, I'd add a fourth word to it: courage.

Yes, the number of events has grown 15-fold since 2017. But at the same time, the word climate is being scrubbed from political agendas, it gets less media coverage, and companies have gone silent in the public discourse. It now takes courage to speak out on climate, and the urgency we need.

Courage from businesses like Trane Technologies, Siemens, Takeda, and our other partners, that keep stepping forward where others are stepping back.

Courage of politicians that drive action, despite having to face off right-wing pundits and populists that are trying to derail the climate debate at home.

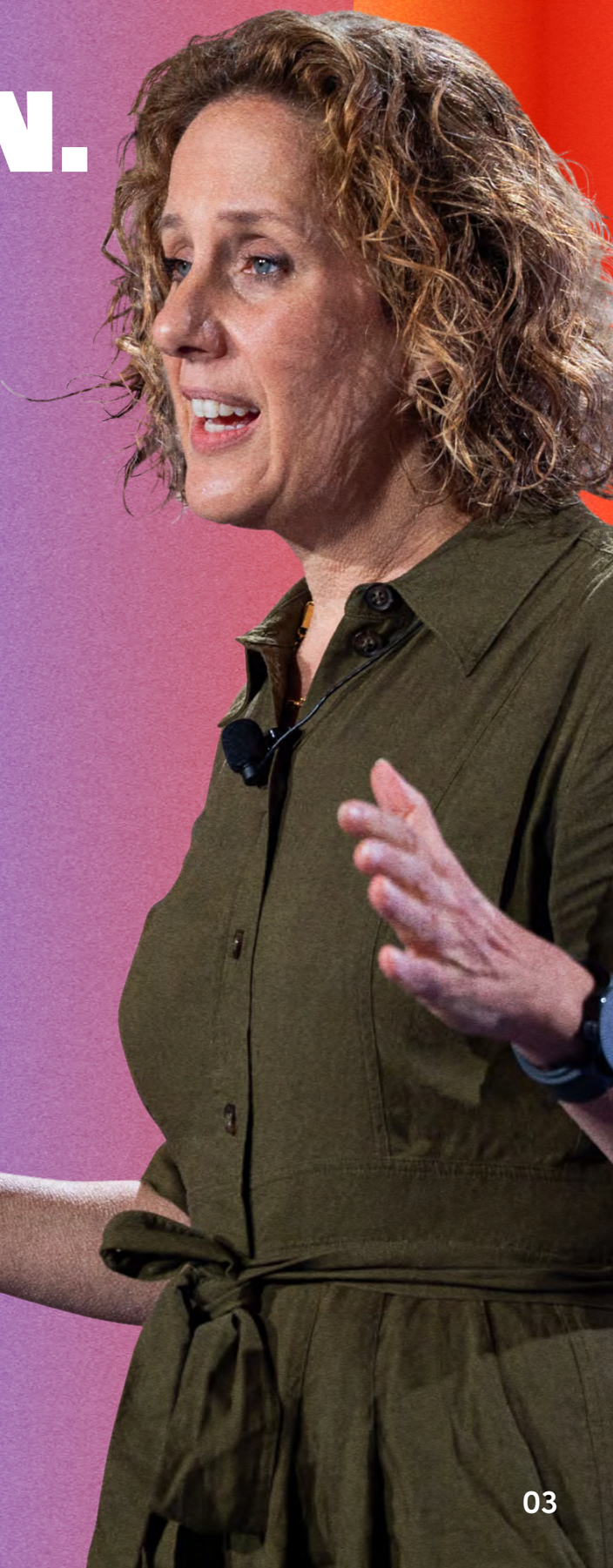
Courage captured in discussions on climate change as a national security issue; around the environmental impact of AI and datacenters, exploring the benefits versus the impact and risks. And the conversations we facilitated on information integrity highlighted an issue that is too often overlooked: the critical role AI platforms and tech companies must play in curbing dangerous misinformation.

And yes, the courage of the public and activists, who showed up across the week in such great numbers to highlight the climate breakdown that's ongoing while the world keeps burning fossil fuels.

We may not all have the same approach, but we all make Climate Week NYC, together. And we're all aiming for the same goal: curbing fossil fuel pollution to ensure a clean, healthy, and safe future.

It's concerning that working towards such an obvious target seems to need an act of courage. I'm proud we've been able to provide a platform for that – thank you all for your support.

Helen Clarkson OBE,
CEO of Climate Group



GLOBAL IMPACT

Media reach
20.8 billion

Impressions across Climate Group channels
12.8 million+

Out of home ad impressions
52.3 million

Total estimated participants
120,000+

Speakers
182

Total number of events
1,500+

THE OPENING CEREMONY AND THE HUB LIVE:

Attendees total
9,147

Attendees in person
1,852

Digital audience
7,295

ORGANIZATIONS BY SECTOR:

Corporate
34%

Civil society
27%

Government
19%

Media
9%

ATTENDANCE BY COUNTRY

Countries
78

US States
27

WORLDWIDE COVERAGE

The Opening Ceremony and The Hub Live of Climate Week NYC welcomed 113 different international media-houses on-site: from AFP, AP, Politico, TRT and Der Spiegel to more climate focused outlets like the ECO Channel and Climate Home News.

In addition, we hosted the Energy Gang podcast for two days, Outrage+Optimism dropped by, and the Climate Week NYC Daily Show with Newsweek and production company Hi-Impact shot three episodes: watch **episode one**, **episode two** and **episode three**.

Climate Week NYC goes far beyond the Opening Ceremony and The Hub Live. This year's edition gained coverage in over 10,000 articles, across 3.2k different news platforms, including the Economist, Washington Post, New York Times, Financial Times, TIME, Los Angeles Times, Bloomberg, Daily Mail, Politico, Axios, Vogue Business, CNN, Channel4, and Fortune.









10k

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* For the period 1 August 2026 – 28 September 2026

** Calculated based on all outlets recorded unique visitors per month

AXIOS

Bloomberg

Channel 4

Los Angeles Times

The New York Times

The Economist

FORTUNE

FT FINANCIAL TIMES

CNN

The Washington Post

POLITICO

TIME

VOGUE BUSINESS

Daily Mail

MAIN PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



The Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP, Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom, emphasized that climate change has become a matter of national security. It must, he said, be an issue "for foreign ministers and prime ministers, as well as energy and climate ministers. The security community, not just the activist community, the generals, not just the green campaigners."

During the Opening Ceremony, **L'Oréal Groupe** welcomed 13 companies into the second cohort of L'AcceleratOR, a €100 million sustainable innovation program which identifies, pilots and scales sustainable solutions of the future to solve the most urgent challenges we all face across climate, nature and circularity.



Helen Clarkson OBE, CEO of Climate Group, emphasized in a passionate speech during the Opening Ceremony that we need to keep mentioning the word climate. "If we don't talk about it, others will – and they'll use the space to peddle lies and disinformation. Silence isn't neutral, it's dangerous. Silence enables inaction, and inaction leads to more climate change."

A **High-Level Dialogue**, part of the Global Renewables Summit, brought together more than 20 decision makers from business and government to discuss the opportunities and challenges of electrification. Among the attendees were **Taye Atske Selassie**, President of Ethiopia, **Murat Kurum**, COP31 President Designate, and **Teresa Ribera**, Executive Vice-President for a Clean, Just and Competitive Transition of the European Commission.

H.E. Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations, provided an assessment of where we stand: "We are breaching 1.5 degrees. But we are clawing back."



During The Hub Live, **The Lagos State government** announced a US $25–50 billion climate investment pipeline. It says its pipeline has more than 300 investment-ready projects across clean energy, resilient infrastructure, water and the circular economy, and with plans to take them to investors at COP31 in Antalya.



The Hon. Anthony Albanese MP, Prime Minister of Australia, delivered the opening keynote of Climate Week NYC during the Opening Ceremony. He lauded the work of so many first responders in his country, who step up to face off climate events such as flooding and bushfires: "As leaders, we must match their bravery."

Closing the Opening Ceremony, **H.E. Kristrún Frostadóttir,** Prime Minister, Iceland delivered a speech focused on the importance of energy resilience and the untapped global potential of geothermal power. Her call was clear: let's share knowledge, and roll out the next generation of geothermal.



California **Attorney General Rob Bonta** held a press conference to announce new legal action against the Trump Administration to protect a clean energy future. Attorney General Bonta and the California Energy Commission have sued the Trump Administration and offshore wind developer Invenergy over a federal agreement to terminate Invenergy's California offshore wind lease.





Dr. Fatih Birol, Executive Director, IEA set out four trends shaping the transition, in his opening keynote of the second day of The Hub Live: the continued rise of solar and electric cars, the persistence of coal, renewed interest in nuclear, and how countries have responded to the energy crisis. His argument was that we're entering the age of electricity, and that the pace of change still needs to double.

OUR SPEAKERS

The Opening Ceremony and The Hub Live brought together an exceptional group of leaders from across government, business, finance, academia, and civil society.

Speakers included heads of government, senior United Nations officials, ministers, governors, mayors, leaders of major international institutions, investors, and executives from some of the world's most influential companies. They brought perspectives from every region of the world and every sector of the economy. Together, their participation reflected both the global reach of Climate Week NYC and its role as a convening platform. Climate Week NYC is the ultimate moment for leaders to shape climate policy, investment, and innovation, forge transformative partnerships, and accelerate the delivery of solutions at the scale required.



"We are breaching 1.5 degrees. But we are clawing back.

H.E. Amina Mohammed of Nigeria,
Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations

STANDOUT SPEAKERS:

- **The Hon Anthony Albanese MP,** Prime Minister of Australia
- **H.E. Kristrún Frostadóttir,** Prime Minister, Iceland
- **H.E. Emine Erdoğan,** First Lady of Türkiye
- **The Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP,** Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, UK
- **H.E. Amina Mohammed of Nigeria,** Deputy Secretary-General, United Nations
- **Dr. Fatih Birol,** Executive Director, IEA
- **Nadia Calviño,** President, European Investment Bank Group
- **The Hon Dr Kevin Rudd AC,** President and CEO, Asia Society
- **Paul Polman,** Business Leader, Investor, Philanthropist
- **Bill McKibben**, Author, Activist, Founder of Third Act
- **Paschal Donohoe**, Managing Director and Chief Knowledge Officer, World Bank
- **Jesper Brodin,** Chair, The B Team, The Earthshot Prize
- **Dr. Mauro Atalla,** SVP Chief Technology and Sustainability Officer, Trane Technologies
- **Ezgi Barcenas,** Chief Corporate Responsibility Officer, L'Oréal Groupe
- **Cimarron Nix,** Chief Sustainability Officer, NIKE, Inc.
- **Sarah Chandler,** VP, Environment and Supply Chain Innovation, Apple
- **Karen Pflug**, CSO, Ingka IKEA
- **Dr. Eva Riesenhuber,** Global Head of Sustainability, Siemens
- **David Calabrese,** Executive Vice President, Daikin U.S. Corporation
- **Johanna Jobin,** Global Head of Environmental Sustainability & Compliance, Takeda
- **Damilola Ogunbiyi,** CEOand Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All, and Co-Chair of UN-Energy, Sustainable Energy for All
- **Senator Sheldon Whitehouse,** U.S. Senator and Ranking Member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, U.S. Senate
- **Dr. Maina Vakafua Talia**, Minister for Home Affairs, Climate Change, and Environment, Tuvalu









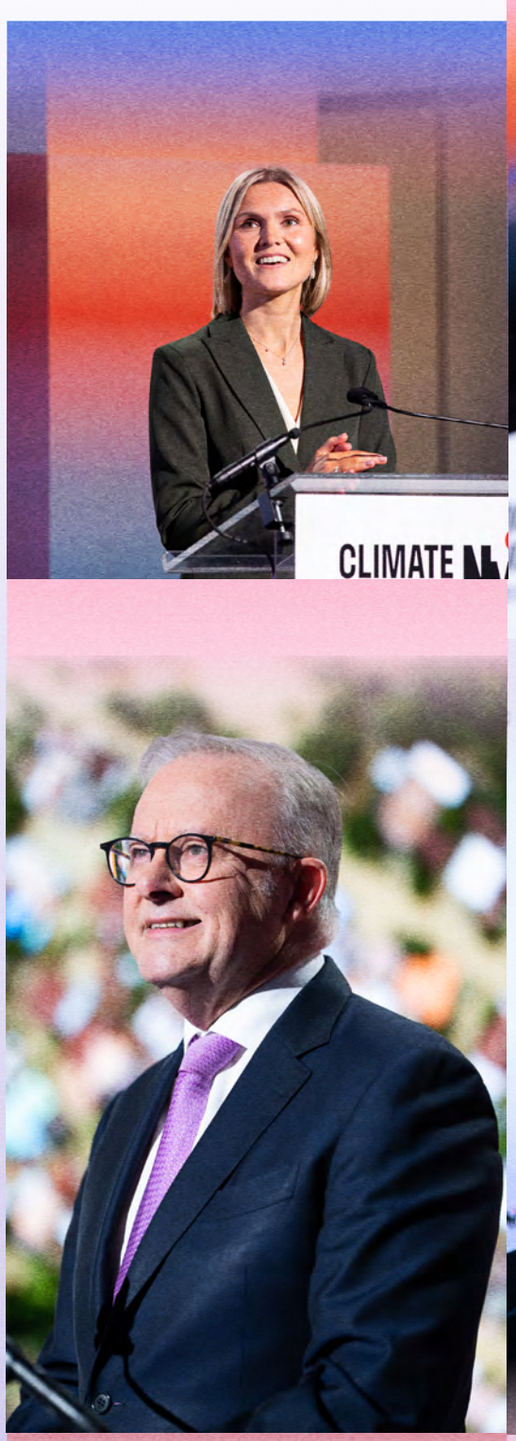
> **"The most important commodity in the energy world today is trust.**
>
> **Dr. Fatih Birol,** Executive Director, IEA

OPENING CEREMONY

Climate Week NYC's 2026 Opening Ceremony set the tone for the week. In two parts, global leaders brought the scale of the climate challenge to the fore, addressing the need for speed to deliver on the transition.

During the opening keynote, **The Hon Anthony Albanese MP**, Prime Minister of Australia, called for collaboration and courage, stating "There's no avoiding the scale of our responsibility, or the cost of inaction". Building on this, **The Rt Hon Ed Miliband MP**, UK Foreign Secretary, called for a change in how we assess risk and manage shocks, highlighting the need for climate and nature to be embedded in national security systems.

The stakes have never been higher. **H.E. Amina Mohammed**, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations, addressed the issue of sovereignty and what happens to nation states when climate goes awry. **H.E. Emine Erdoğan**, First Lady of Türkiye, reinforced what's at stake by highlighting that the most vulnerable societies are often left to bear the cost of high levels of consumption.









European Investment Bank President, **Nadia Calviño**, stressed the need to align finance with ambitions, sharing that the EIB will move towards doubling finance for adaptation to climate change.

While the stakes are high, so too are the opportunities.

While the stakes are high, so too are the opportunities. In conversation with Climate Group CEO Helen Clarkson OBE, **Paul Polman**, business leader, philanthropist, and investor, highlighted that companies and industries that are moving faster and positioning themselves for the future are better valued. Building on Polman's remarks, **Jesper Brodin**, Chair of The B Team and The Earthshot Prize, said: "We need more courage and voices out there to talk about the progress."

Answering that call, a panel of leading businesses addressed the role of resilience in creating a competitive advantage. **Ezgi Barcenas**, Chief Corporate Responsibility Officer at L'Oréal Groupe, explored the potential of asking "what if?" to inform the innovation pipeline and shape the future. **Cimarron Nix**, Chief Sustainability Officer at NIKE, Inc., cited NIKE's work in achieving 100% renewable electricity in its own operations through its RE100 membership. **Sarah Chandler**, VP, Environment and Supply Chain Innovation at Apple shared that Apple has cut emissions by 60% from its 2015 baseline while growing its revenue by 78%.

Dr. Mauro Atalla, SVP Chief Technology and Sustainability Officer at Trane Technologies, cited the potential of using heat pumps in data centers to heat the water of surrounding apartments.

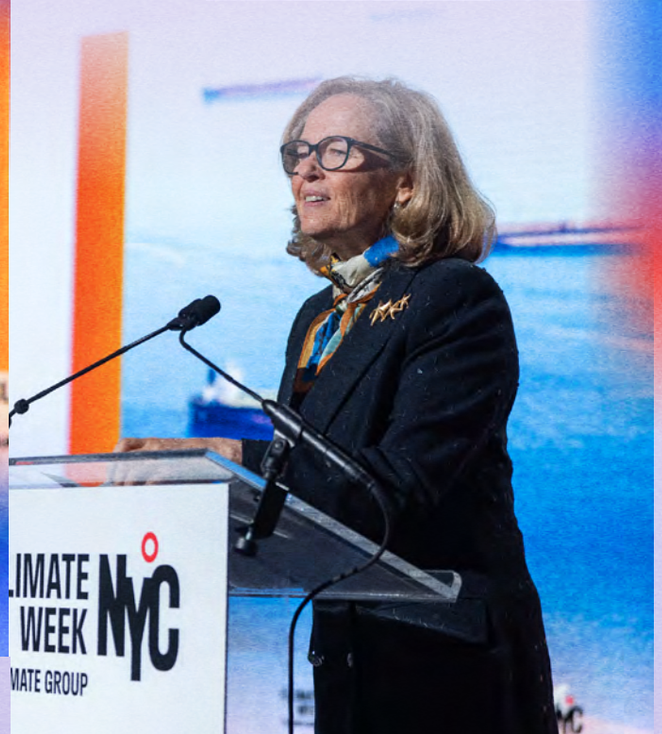
Exploring how AI could be leveraged, **Dr. Eva Riesenhuber**, Global Head of Sustainability at Siemens, highlighted that building emissions could be cut by 30% using AI. What's more, **H.E. Kristrún Frostadóttir**, Prime Minister of Iceland, closed the Opening Ceremony with an open invitation to utilities, energy companies and governments to bank on Iceland's vast experience with geothermal energy, stating: "Iceland stands ready as a partner, and as a testbed, for solutions you can take home and adapt to your own geology and your own grids."

The business case has been made. Technology is available, and investment is flowing. What remains is the need for courage, collaboration, and swift execution. As **Bill McKibben**, Founder of Third Act put it: "The only thing that matters now is pace."









OPENING CEREMONY ATTENDEES

Physical audience

Attended: **1,070**

States: **24**

Cities: **218**

Countries: **60**

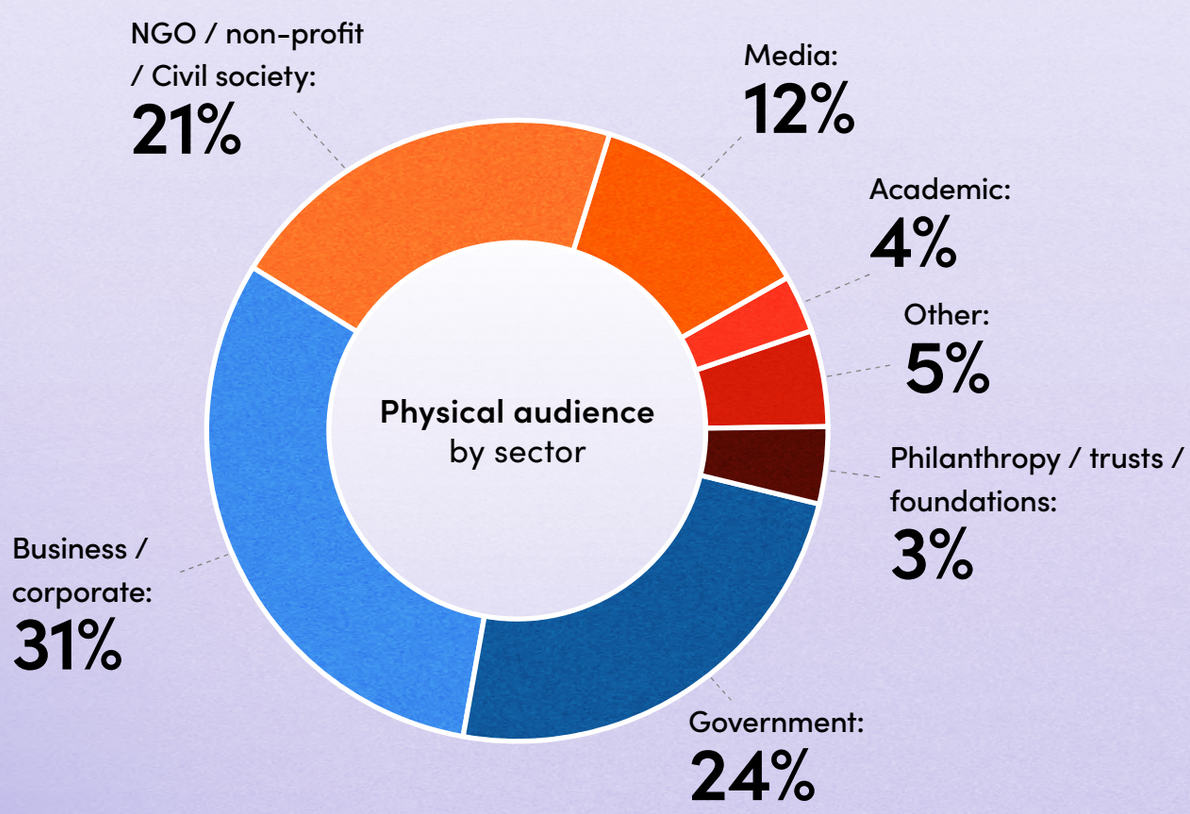
Organizations: **768**

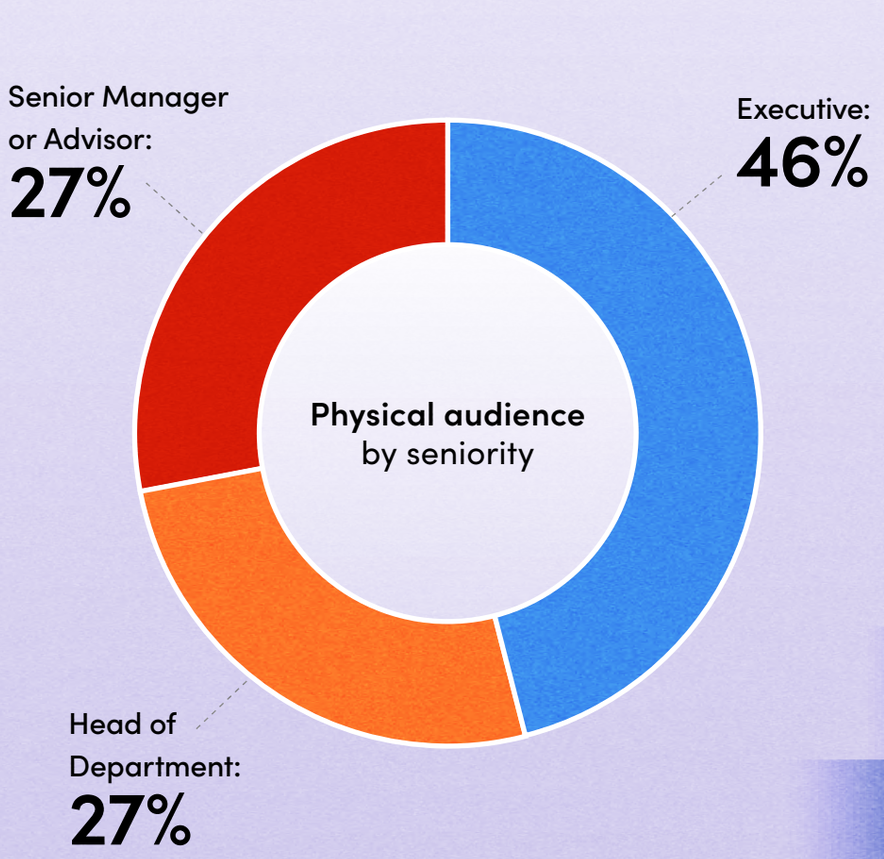
Digital audience

Online views: **4,234**

Combined audience

In person + Digital: **5,304**





ELECTRIFYING LEADERSHIP

Climate Week NYC is a platform for action, for speeches, but also for deep, consequential discussions between senior decision-makers that can shift markets. The High-Level Dialogue was such a moment.

Hosted by Climate Group, Fortescue, the Global Renewables Alliance, and the European Commission, we brought together more than 20 senior leaders from business and government to move the dial on electrification as part of the Global Renewables Summit.

Heads of government, ministers, CEOs, and leaders from international organizations and civil society in this closed-door session agreed that speeding up clean electrification and tripling global renewable energy capacity by 2030 must be key pillars of corporate and government strategies.

The extraordinary group of more than 20 decision-makers sent a strong signal to investors, other governments, and industry colleagues worldwide that the direction is clear: secure, reliable, resilient and affordable energy systems must be built on homegrown, clean electricity and futureproof grids.







As demand for electricity surges, only the rapid expansion of renewables can meet that demand while keeping emissions in check. This is backed by **recent polling among almost 2,000 business leaders** in 18 countries, which showed overwhelming business support for a rapid switch to renewables based electrified economies, supported by battery storage. Some 90% of the polled businesses expect to be largely electrified by 2035.

One theme that came through loud and clear at the High-Level Dialogue was that the electrification of economies is an implementation challenge. Permitting, grid congestion and coordination all require a bottom up, rather than a top down approach.

New partnerships between business and government can move from announcements to delivery. As the Governor of Lagos said at the Global Renewables Summit, this is an opportunity we have never had before. We need to make sure that we aren't here next year lamenting a lack of progress. Because nobody wants to lament.

There is already much to celebrate. Renewables are bringing clean, affordable energy to places that have never had it. The challenge now is to move beyond making the case for action, and make the actual transition tangible in homes, businesses and communities.

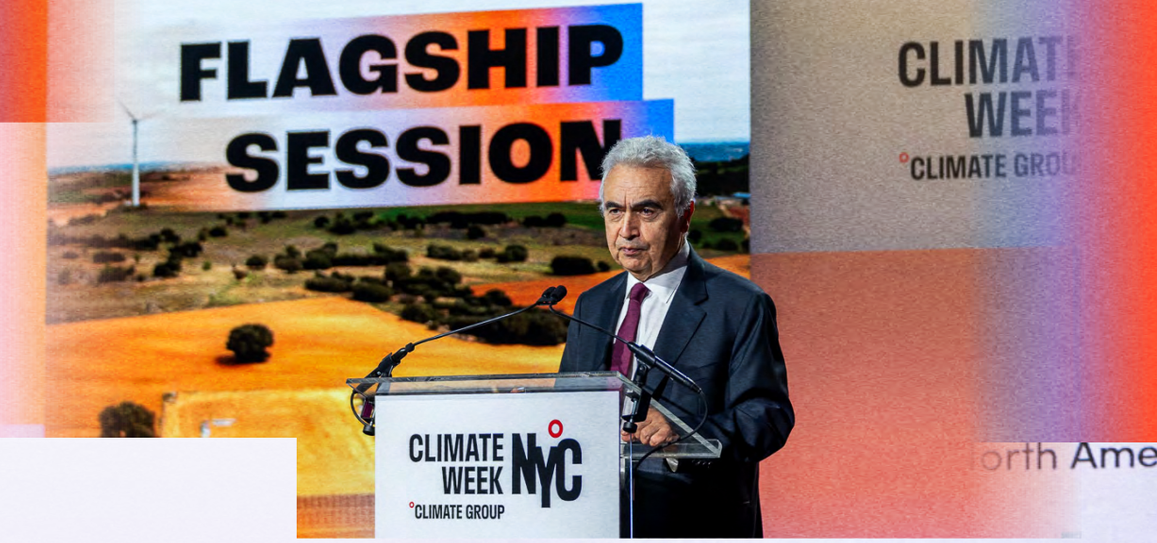


Government and non-governmental participants

- **Babajide Sanwo-Olu,** Governor, Lagos
- **Jong-ho Kyun,** Deputy Minister for Climate Change of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Korea
- **Kushla Munro,** Executive Director, COP31
- **Miatta Fahnbulleh,** Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero, UK
- **Murat Kurum,** COP31 President Designate, Republic of Türkiye
- **Simon Stiell,** Executive Secretary, UNFCCC
- **Steven Victor,** Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, and the Environment, Palau
- **Taye Atske Selassie,** President, Ethiopia
- **Teresa Ribera,** Executive Vice-President for a Clean, Just and Competitive Transition, European Commission
- **Zane Lightbourne,** Minister for the Environment and Natural Resources, Bahamas

Private sector & other high-level participants

- **Amanda Dasch,** Chief Development Officer, Ørsted
- **Dr. Andrew Forrest,** Founder and Executive Chairman, Fortescue
- **Bruce Douglas,** CEO, Global Renewables Alliance
- **Brandon Spencer,** President, Business Motion, ABB
- **Francesco La Camera,** Director-General, IRENA
- **Karen Pflug,** CSO, Ikea
- **Martin Pibworth,** Chief Executive, SSE Plc I Sr. Board Member, GWEC
- **Mike Rann,** Chair, Climate Group
- **Mohamed Jameel Al Ramahi,** CEO, Masdar
- **Shanta Barley,** Director Real Zero Hub, IIASA Real Zero Institute
- **Tariye Gbadegesin,** CEO, Climate Investment funds
- **Zoisa North-Bond,** CEO, Octopus Energy Generation



THE HUB LIVE

The Hub Live is the forum where climate leadership is tested, challenged and accelerated – and where speakers get into the details to drive real impact.

Our three flagship sessions set out the Challenge, the Change and the Opportunity we face. The conversation opened with a focus on the reality of a rapidly changing world where decisions of today can easily be upended by global events. As **Scott Tew,** Global Head of Sustainability Strategy at Trane Technologies observed "We are still using band-aids" rather than addressing the underlying issues we're facing head-on. The discussion that followed focused on the breadth and scale of the challenge. It highlighted the importance of bold leadership from across the political divide and shone a spotlight on the real-world impact that community-led climate action can deliver. The event highlighted how community-led climate action can deliver tangible benefits to people's daily lives.

During the Clean Air, Healthy Returns: The Economic and Health Case for Fleet Electrification thematic session, hosted by Clean Air Fund, discussions on fleet electrification showed how reducing transport emissions can improve air quality in urban neighborhoods, with local communities playing a key role in building support for policies that protect public health and create cleaner, healthier places to live.

In the panel Strait talk, reality check: how do we keep the lights on in an uncertain world?, **David Calabrese,** Executive Vice President, Daikin U.S. Corporation, argued that the technology for efficient heating and cooling is ready now, and that what is missing is policy to speed up adoption and enough trained people to install it.

Delivering the opening keynote on day two, **Dr. Fatih Birol,** Executive Director, IEA, directly addressed the choices made in the wake of the unprecedented energy crisis the world is currently facing. The message was clear: make the hard choices now to preserve our future. Reinforcing this point, **Liz Chatwin,** VP Global Sustainability, AstraZeneca drew on AstraZeneca's experience to demonstrate how organizations that stay committed to their net zero ambitions will not just reduce emissions, but also drive greater efficiency, innovation, and resilience across their operations.

Closing out The Hub Live, our third flagship session turned to the opportunities, and how leaders might best seize them. **Mayor Eddie Melton of Gary,** Indiana reflected on the devastating storms that







struck his city earlier this year, arguing that such events should serve both as a warning of the growing impacts of climate change, and as an opportunity to mobilize investment to help communities withstand the impact of climate change. Broader economic opportunities also emerged as we explored how emerging “electrostates” are being positioned for long-term growth through investment in clean energy, infrastructure, and innovation.

This forward-looking approach was similarly adopted by other speakers who examined the role of emerging technologies in accelerating progress. As **Sunya Norman,** SVP of Impact, Salesforce, noted, “AI is a tool, and we need to be intentional about where we direct it”, reinforcing the message that the transition belongs to those who pair innovation with purpose and action.

The conversation continued throughout The Hub Live’s thematic program, with sessions spanning the themes of American Innovation and Abundance, Energy, Food, Leadership and Green Growth, Nature and Health, and Transport and Industry. Key takeaways from these sessions mirrored this year’s focus on Energy, Impact, and Action.

Indeed, as electricity demand rises thanks to the electrification of our economies and the global roll out of AI, leaders broke down how we can future-proof our energy systems. These discussions focused on practical solutions that would energize action, including how to unlock grid capacity to support electrified transport, demonstrating the kinds of infrastructure upgrades and policy changes needed to meet rising electricity demand without compromising reliability. From energy security and grid capacity to the role of efficiency and innovation, speakers set out a vision for shockproof systems that can support growth for decades to come.

From our healthcare to our food systems, the real-world impact that climate action can have on people and places was made clear this year. Sessions dissected what it means to implement plans that consider their wider impact, from the construction of healthier communities and more resilient supply chains to stronger local economies. For example, **Johanna Jobin,** Global Head of Environmental Sustainability & Compliance, Takeda outlined how reducing emissions across health systems will improve outcomes for both people and the planet, making clear that successful climate action is measured not only by emissions reductions, but also by our ability to strengthen the systems and services that communities rely upon.



THE HUB LIVE ATTENDEES

Physical audience

Attended: **1,852**

States: **27**

Countries: **70**

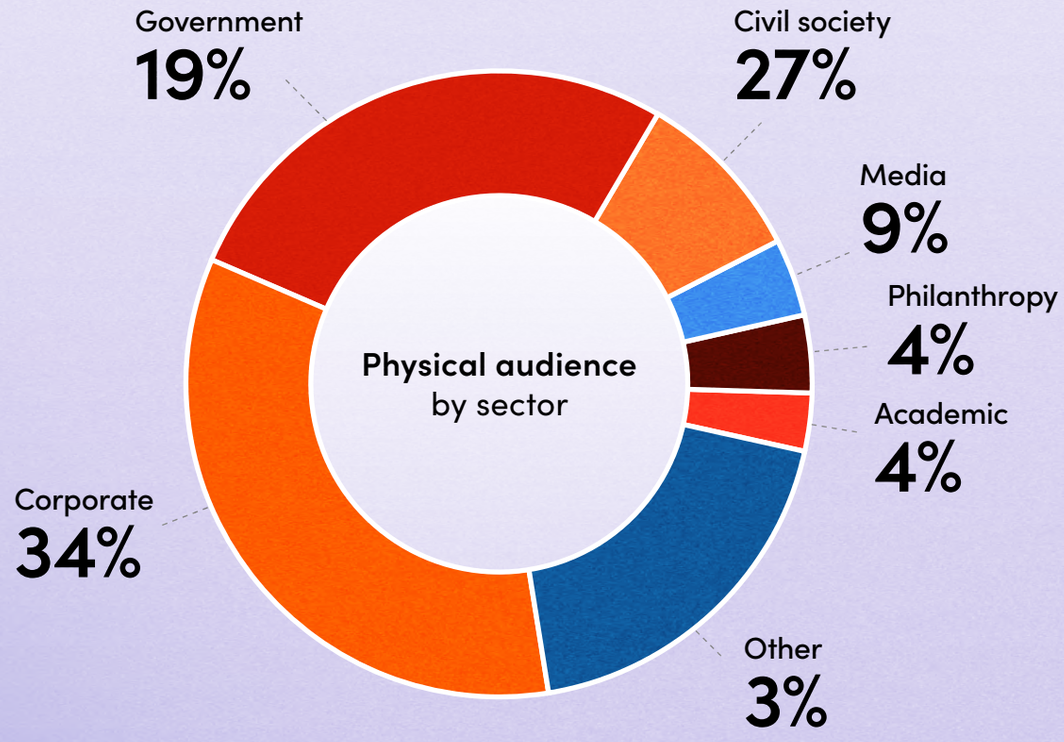
Organizations: **973**

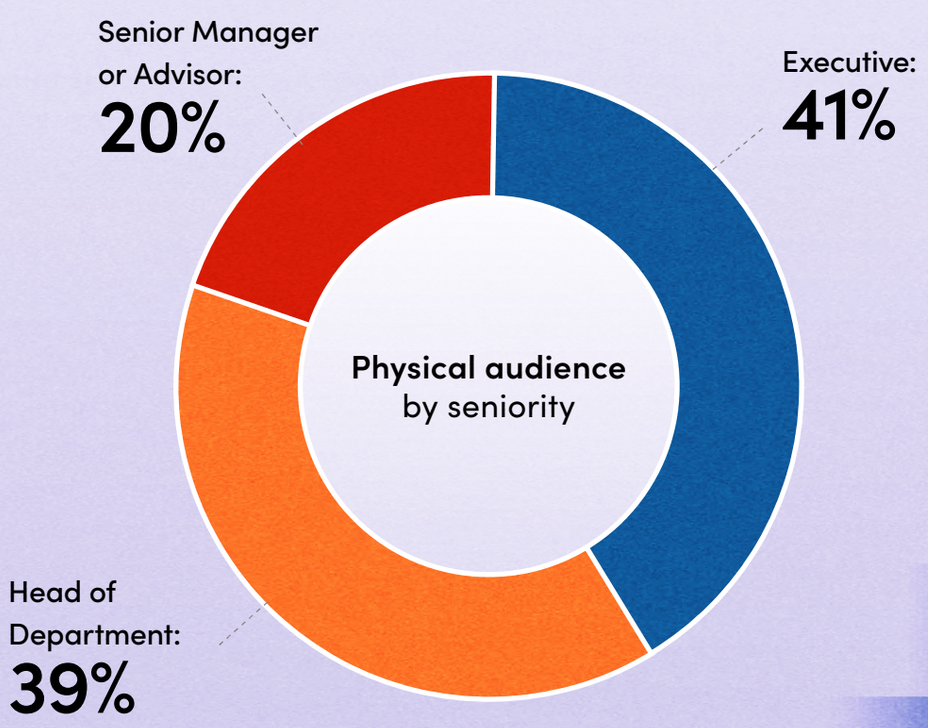
Digital audience

Online views: **3,631**

Combined audience

In person + Digital: **5,483**





EXECUTIVE SERIES

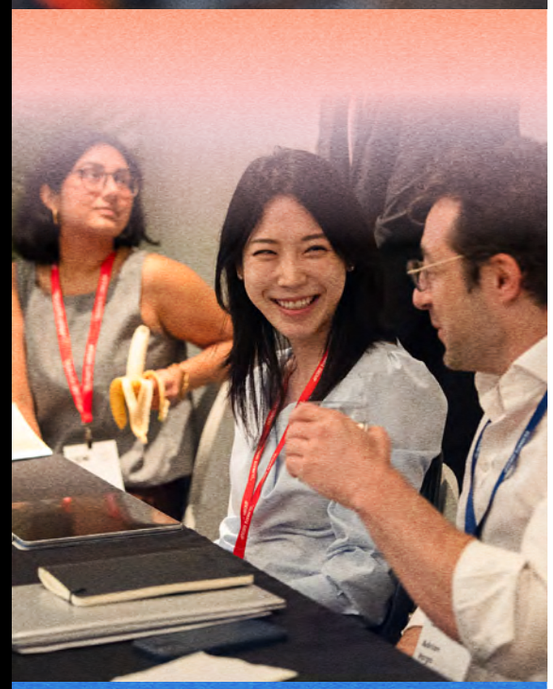
Climate Week NYC and its partners bring key decision makers together in its Executive Series – closed door sessions that facilitate open and honest discussions.

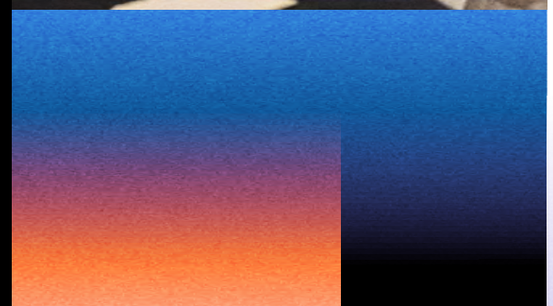
This year, topics ranged from the impact of AI on climate misinformation, the collaboration of climate weeks and COPs, to how companies can get ready for changes in the GHG protocol.

ROUNDTABLES:

- Climate Week NYC Opening Roundtable – Why Electrification Is Good Business
- Supercharging Electromobility in Latin America: How Can Businesses Collaborate Across National Borders to Influence Regional Policy?
- Senior Leader Roundtable on AI Emissions Transparency
- Scoping Scope 2: How Can Companies Prep for a Changing GHG Protocol?
- From Pledge to Panel: How Indonesia Can Deliver on Its 100GW Solar Ambition
- Climate's Translation Problem: The Missing Rosetta Stone of Climate Analytics
- The Accords: A Necessary Direction for Environmental Philanthropy
- Shifting Distributed Energy Policy, Maximizing Speed, Demand and Affordability In partnership with Pew Trust
- Connecting the Action Agenda Across the Year: A Climate Weeks Dialogue
- 24/7 CFE Solutions Accelerator Workshop
- Trust by Design: Protecting Climate Information in the Age of AI



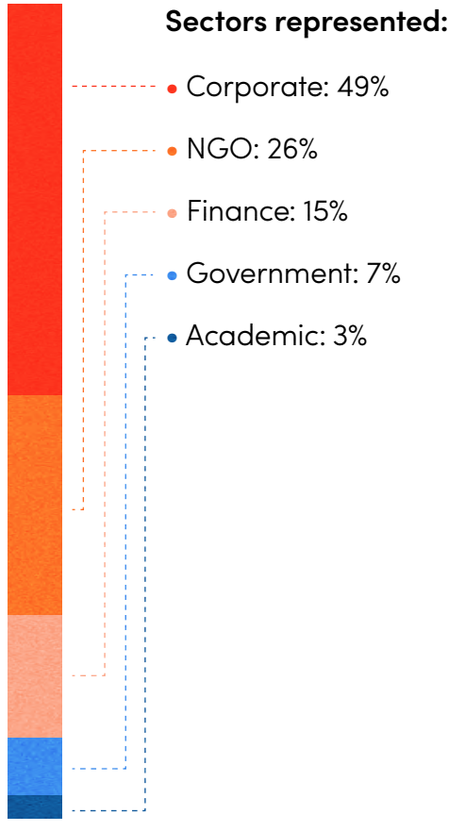




11
roundtables and workshops across two days

192
attendees

147
Organizations



CLIMATE LEADERS' RECEPTION

As is our tradition, we reserved the Monday evening of Climate Week NYC to ensure senior leaders from business, government, and civil society would meet at the annual Climate Leaders' Reception. Hosted by BCG, this year the theme was 'Make Progress Multiply'.

Helen Clarkson OBE, CEO of Climate Group opened the evening with a welcome address focused on the leadership needed to turn climate ambition into collective action. She urged businesses to "put their money where their words are" by aligning investment with the transition, working constructively with policymakers to accelerate clean energy and infrastructure, and collaborating across sectors to scale solutions.

The evening also featured reflections from COP30 President-Designate **Ambassador André Aranha Corrêa do Lago,** who highlighted how renewable energy is increasingly linked to energy justice, national independence and affordability.

BCG CEO **Christoph Schweizer** focused on moving from commitment to execution, highlighting the growing presence of climate topics in boardroom discussions. He called on businesses to share what they are learning, and work together to overcome the barriers slowing progress. Overall, there was a clear focus on how businesses can help build a stronger, more resilient economy and future by acting now.















EVENTS PROGRAM

The world's climate community comes together

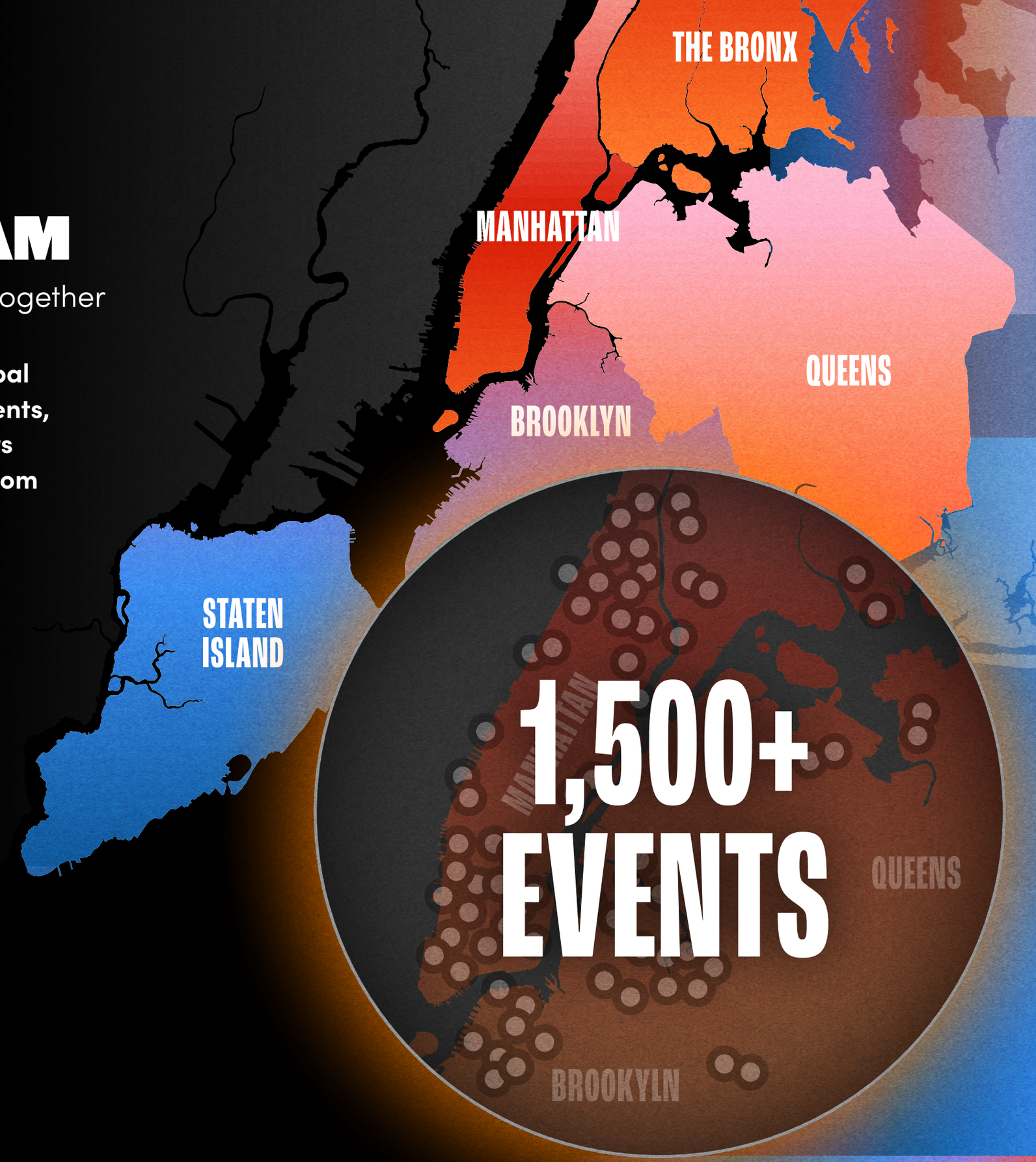
We brought together a record-breaking global community of leaders, businesses, governments, grassroots organizations, and changemakers to explore how climate solutions can move from ambition to implementation.

With more than 1,500 events across New York City, this year's program was the biggest in Climate Week NYC history. But its impact went beyond the numbers; it was reflected in the connections made, partnerships formed, and conversations that renewed optimism, strengthened accountability, and brought new voices and perspectives into the climate movement.

Climate Week NYC created a key moment for the city, bringing together global decision-makers, community leaders, innovators, and advocates across thousands of gatherings. From major stages like The Hub Live to grassroots events happening across neighborhoods.

As **Jerome Foster II** reflected, "New York really showed up this week" — a moment where the city's energy, creativity, and communities came together around a shared purpose. Across events large and small, people found new ways to connect, collaborate, and build momentum for what comes next.

From clean energy and technology to health, nature, food, and the future of cities, the program showcased the breadth of solutions, and the collaboration needed to bring them to more communities.













As **Saad Amer,** CEO and Founder of Justice Environment, reflected:

"We have to tackle climate change from the bottom up and from the top down — and if we go in both directions we can hit everyone in the middle and solve this crisis faster."

The conversations started in New York will continue long after the week ends. Through the partnerships built, ideas shared, and people carrying this momentum into their communities around the world.

We have to tackle climate change from the bottom up and from the top down — and if we go in both directions we can hit everyone in the middle and solve this crisis faster.

Saad Amer, CEO and Founder of Justice Environment







EVENTS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Across New York City, Climate Week NYC inspired action through public installations, community events, expert convenings, technology showcases and cultural moments. Key programmatic highlights included:

Along the waterfront, participants set out on **a 24-mile walk** organized by 24 The Planet, raising dedicated funds for land restoration across sub-Saharan Africa.

In Red Hook, **Who Gets Shade?** explored how trees, pavement, and access to public space shape who feels extreme heat most.

In recognition of Climate Week NYC, **Forbes revisited Dr. Jane Goodall's** most enduring lessons on conservation, action, and our responsibility to the planet.

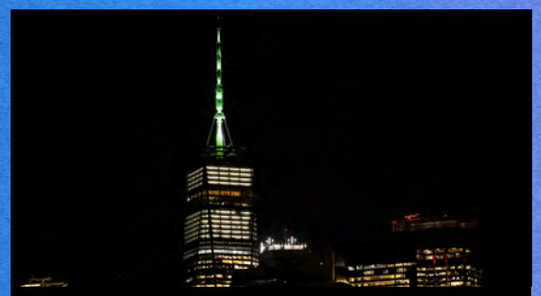


Photo: courtesy of The Nest Climate Campus

The Nest Campus served as a hub for solutions-focused discussions on the technologies and policies shaping the transition, bringing together experts, innovators and decision-makers to tackle emerging challenges, from data center growth and energy demand to electrification, infrastructure and climate innovation.

More than half of US bird species are in decline, and climate change is a major driver. A **Come to the Cove event** spent time at Sherman Creek in Manhattan, New York City's largest remaining wetland, spotting the birds stopping off on their fall migration and pitching in on restoration work.





The **New York City skyline turned green** in honor of Climate Week NYC. Thanks to One World Trade Center, Sven LIC, Javits Center, One Bryant Park, One Five One, Pier 17 at The Seaport, The Phoenix at Deno's Wonder Wheel Amusement Park.

Food security was a key focus at The Greene Space, where our CEO joined Governor **David Beasley**, Ambassador **Ertharin Cousin** and other global leaders to explore how technology, finance and partnerships can strengthen resilience to growing food security risks driven by climate change, conflict and economic instability.

Prompted by flooding on the city's subway, five artists launched a conceptual tote bag that transforms into a self-inflating life jacket in 15 seconds.

A hackathon on health and extreme weather, run by the UNFCCC and Climate in Health, explored how technology can help vulnerable communities prepare for and respond to extreme weather.

At Assembly, Swissnex's hub for Climate Week NYC, **Swissnex and the ETH Alumni Association** hosted Built Different: The Cities We Need. Researchers, founders and urban innovators explored how cities can cut carbon pollution faster and prepare for extreme weather, with technologies from ETH spin-offs ranging from low-carbon buildings to digital models of how cities work. The message was clear: the solutions exist, but scaling them needs political leadership and collaboration across sectors.

Estimated event program attendees:
Over
120,000

Event calendar views (since June 2026):
130,000

Total Panels/Conferences/ Workshops:
1,150

Total Community activations:
100

Total Performances/ Exhibitions/Arts:
88

Total Mixers/ Networking:
70

ANNOUNCEMENTS from across the week

Leaders from government, business and the built environment came together at a **COP31 Türkiye** roundtable to explore how subnational governments can help deliver the 35 by 35 target, accelerating the transition from fossil fuels to building electrification.



The European Network on Climate & Health Education announced significant progress in climate and health training, having equipped more than 6,000 medical students across 61 medical schools in 16 countries to address the health impacts of climate change.



The Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD) published new guidance to help technology and communications companies identify, manage and disclose their nature-related impacts, dependencies and risks.

UN Member States adopted a political declaration on sea-level rise, calling for enhanced international cooperation and stronger support for small island states and vulnerable coastal communities facing increasing climate impacts.

New York Mayor Zohran Mamdani launched a major initiative highlighting how supporting better housing in NYC will make life for New Yorkers not just greener, but cheaper too.

The UK Government announced a £331 million package to tackle climate change and nature loss, including £330 million for the Global Environment Facility, reinforcing support for international climate action.



New climate and finance commitments were unveiled across the week, including **Nigeria's** new $300 million clean energy fund.



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Governor Gavin Newsom announced a major step towards linking California's Cap-and-Invest Program with Washington State, building on California's longstanding carbon market partnership with Quebec and strengthening regional climate cooperation.



THE POWER OF OUR GLOBAL NETWORK



Climate Group's members drive climate action throughout the year – they're the backbone of ongoing international corporate and political climate action.

So, when they come to Climate Week NYC, we ensure they meet in person to tackle shared challenges and accelerate implementation. We bring them together at our events, partner events, roundtables and networking sessions, creating opportunities to exchange practical insights and help shape the next phase of climate action. The partnerships and ideas developed during the week help drive progress long after the event ends. Then, they take that inspiration back to their companies to drive further action across the globe.



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214
member individuals and

70
member organizations joined us in New York, from

19
countries, across

5
continents

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Honorable Commissioner Ope George, Ministry of Economic Planning and Budget representing the Governor of Lagos State, said: "I would also like to thank the Climate Group and the Under2 Coalition for the important work they are doing to bring governments, businesses and other stakeholders together to accelerate climate action... The State-Determined Contributions Framework provides an important foundation for this work. We are now focused on building the investment and implementation pathways around it."

The Under2 Coalition and the Government of Québec brought governors and ministers from across the Americas together on where cross-border cooperation can speed up delivery.

Governors and ministers joined The New York Climate Exchange for the Under2 Coalition's inaugural **Governors' Climate Leadership Dialogue & Reception** on Governors Island.

The Under2 Coalition and Climate Policy Radar announced a new partnership to make climate laws and policies from states and regions around the world easier to find – supporting peer-to-peer learning and helping governments build on each other's experience.



CLIMATE GROUP SMART ENERGY COALITION

At the Empire State Building, our Smart Energy team met with members on energy efficiency policy, then a panel with Corgan Inc, Living Future and Empire State Realty Trust on retrofitting an icon.



The **Blend Better Cement campaign** launched at the Chrysler Building, bringing together stakeholders from across industry and government to advance policies driving the use of blended cement, which can cut emissions by 50% compared with ordinary Portland cement. The launch coincided with the announcement that Ethiopia, Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda and Cambodia have joined a group of leading nations backing **The Intergovernmental Council for Buildings and Climate's** call to action on the production and use of blended cement, bringing the total number of supporting governments to 12.

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RE100

Climate Group's RE100 campaign hosted a roundtable session 'From pledge to panel: How Indonesia can deliver on its 100GW solar ambition', gathering Indonesian policymakers and global businesses working in the country to discuss how the public and private sectors can work together to translate demand for renewables into new solar projects. Following this, RE100 joined the Indonesia Solar Investment Forum focused on what it takes to finance solar at scale.

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EV100

Climate Group's EV100 announced a partnership with Smart Freight Centre to accelerate freight decarbonization globally, starting in Mexico and South Africa.

SUBNATIONAL METHANE ACTION COALITION

Cristina Massot, Secretary General of the Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Food, said: "It's an honor to join the Subnational Methane Action Coalition. For us, this signatory is not the beginning, but a means of accelerating the work already underway. Methane accounts for 14% of our greenhouse gas emissions in Catalonia, concentrated in agriculture and waste. We want to learn from other subnational leaders and together, lead through collaborative action and achieve meaningful methane reductions by 2030."

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