

# RME Research Conference 2016

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# PRME Working Group on Climate Change and Environment

#### Climate Change and Environment

This PRME working group was configured at the Global Forum 2015 in New York. The focus is on SDG 13'Climate Action' but several other SDGs are also addressed such as SDG 6 'Clean Water and Sanitation'. The aim of this PRME group is to help business schools and other organisations to embed climate change and environmental education into their teaching and training practices. The PRME group on Climate Change and Environment has three main objectives:

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http://www.unprme.org/working-groups/display-working-group.php?wgid=3379



# PRME Working Group on Climate Change and Environment

- Policy/Strategies: This section provides business schools and universities with policy templates
  on how climate change and other environmental issues can be integrated into operational
  policies/strategies but also into learning and teaching policies/strategies.
- 2. Teaching: Sharing of good ideas, best practice and innovative training methods aroundeffective ways of integratingclimate change and other sustainability issues into management education and training within universities and beyond. A special focus is on how to encourage students to work towards sustainable solutions.
- 3. Cooperation: Seeks the dialogue between business schools and private/public sector organisations, especially through the UN Global Compact, working together on solutions to climate change and other environmental challenges. The vision is that companies can offer 'wicked' problems for the best brains across the world to view, consider and share practical and feasible actions.

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# Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Project at NTU

- Final-year Business Management BA(Hons) students
- Currently 900+ students
- **CORE** Curriculum
- 10 weeks programme addressing EMS
- Companies work towards iiE accreditation

Business Partnership at Guardian University Awards

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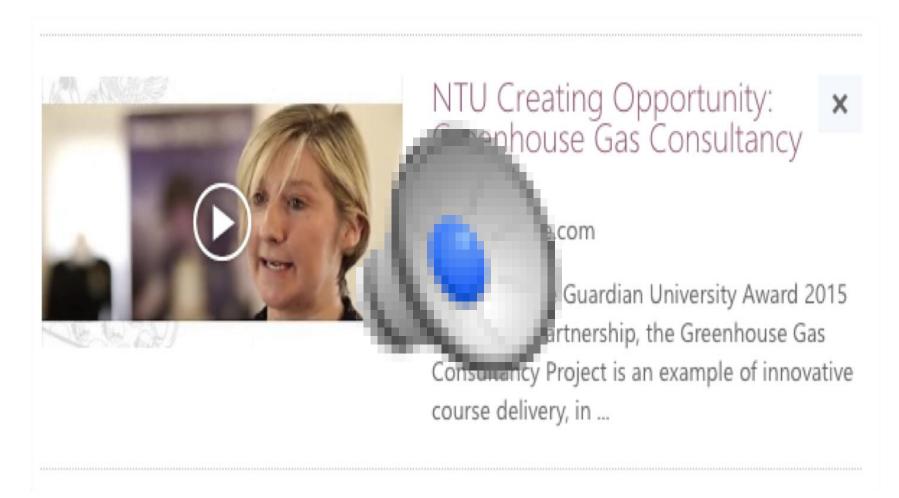
# Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Project at NTU

- The top 40 students gained an employment reference from NEPes
- 25 organisations were supported towards gaining an accredited FMS.
- Innovative ideas on how to reduce carbon emissions
  - plans for a carbon-free Christmas in a shopping centre
  - to unusual ways of reducing lift usage
  - and changing behaviour
- Four other local universities are now thinking of using the NTU model.

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## The Greenhouse Gas Management Project



https://www4.ntu.ac.uk/strategy/



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\* Joint research by Accenture & United Nation Global Compact. Click <u>HERE</u> to find out more.

\*\* To read the 2016 study, click <u>HERE</u>.



	Topic	Aim
Session One	Student experience of sustainability and topic of their choice	Engage students on a personal level
Session Two	Sustainability and topic of choice in your discipline	Facilitate disciplinary understanding of sustainability
Session Three	Connections between disciplines: Identifying Challenges	Facilitate interdisciplinary understanding of sustainability
Session Four	Local and global solutions	Identify interdisciplinary collaborations / solutions to sustainability challenges
Final Project Piece		







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Please NOTE: Activities in the Sessions must be completed to activate access to subsequent Sessions.

Each Session takes 30-60 min to complete.





This session is an online assessment for NBS final-year undergraduate students only (Leadership & Employability module).

However, if you would like something similar for your course, please contact your Course Leader or Employability Coordinator about this. Thank

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#### **Welcome to Session 1!**

"Everything is energy and that's all there is to it. Match the frequency of the reality you want and you cannot help but get that reality. It can be no other way. This is not philosophy. This is physics."

#### Albert Finstein



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#### How can we power the world sustainably?

Session One is about analysing how energy fits in to your life; both in the personal sphere and into your future employment. The diagram below shows a couple of reasons why sustainable energy is something that matters in your own life. Can you think of more reasons?



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Click on your School's image below to look at the links to Resources.

The resources have been shared with us by the academics in your School. If there are further

resources which you think your School needs to share with us, please let your Tutor, Course Leader, or Employability Coordinator know.



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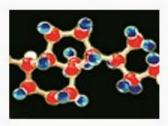
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School of Social Sciences



When you are ready, click here to get to the Challenge!

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#### Subject/Discipline

#### **Links to Resources**

20 Business Opportunities in Renewable Energy Industry

AltFuelsNow (2014) Carbon Credits: Criticisms

BSR (Business for Social Responsibility) (2007) Beyond Neutrality: Moving Your Company Toward Climate Leadership

Carbon Neutral Co. Ltd (2016) Carbon Offset Project Types

<u>Carbon Trust (2013) Energy Management: a Comprehensive Guide to Controlling Energy Use</u>

Colwell, D. (2007) Carbon Offsets: Buying Your Way Out of Responsibility

<u>Davenport, C. (2014) 'Industry awakens to threat of climate change', The New York Times</u>

Earley, K. (2013) 'Facelift Access Hire: simple innovations for big energy savings', The Guardian,

Funk, M. (2014) Windfall: The Booming Business of Global Warming (New York: The Penguin Press)

General Business



Once you've posted your solution in the Discussion Forum, it will be added to this map.

Click on the icons to see what each project is about. Have fun exploring the map!













### Climate change COP21 Trump cards

- Developed after the COP21 [21st Conference of the Parties (or "COP") to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)]
- 'Carbon Crush'
- Aim: Explore issues around climate change
- Categories:
  - Carbon Emission
  - Political Power
  - Population
  - Carbon Pledge

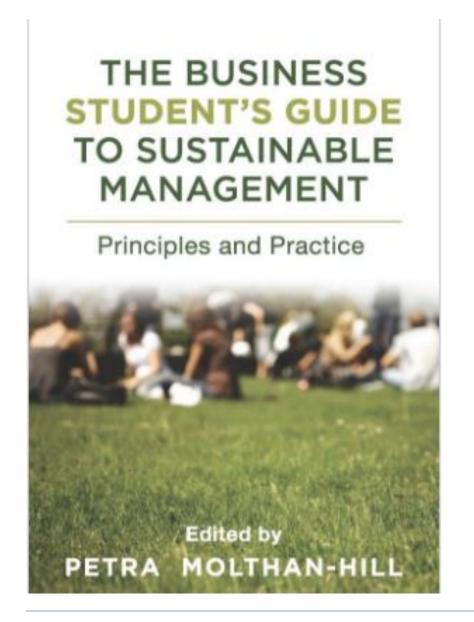


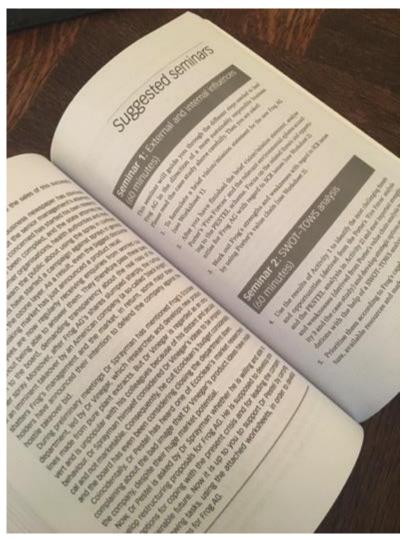
# Climate change COP21 Trump cards

#### **Questions to start discussions:**

- 1) Which countries are the biggest emitters of carbon?
- 2) Which have the best carbon pledges?
- 3) How are populations, emissions and carbon pledges related?
- 4) How do you think political power impacts on global carbon pledges?
- 5) How could less powerful actors increase their power /influence?
- 6) Why do you think some data is missing?









# Thank you for listening.





















































































# NTU Green Academy

The NTU Green Academy aims to ensure everyone at NTU is able to acquire the skills and knowledge necessary to shape a more sustainable future and contribute to a better world!



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