

June 8 Guest Speaker: Dr. Shi-Ling Hsu, CCL Advisor, book author, and University Professor



Dr. Shi-Ling Hsu is the John W. Larson professor and Associate Dean for Environmental Programs at the Florida State University College of Law. He is the author of [The Case for a Carbon Tax: Getting Past our Hang-ups to Effective Climate Policy](#), which remains the most comprehensive general treatment and argument for carbon taxation. He teaches and writes in the areas of environmental and natural resource law, climate change, law and economics, and property. Professor Hsu holds an M.S. in ecology and a Ph.D. in agricultural and resource economics and was an EPA Star Fellow from 1996-98

CCL Canada June 2019 Actions at a glance:

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CCL Calls in May	Date and Time	Call Options
Canada: All CCLers welcome. We check in with each other, share field reports, and go over monthly actions.	Option 1: Thurs, June 6, 2019 , 6 pm PT/ 9 pm ET Option 2: Fri, June 7, 2019 , 8 am PT / 11 am ET Just pick 1 to attend. Sign this doodler to RSVP.	Uberconference Line (1-888-570-6238) or log in online for free.
CCL International: Dr. Shi-Ling Hsu	Sat, June 8, 2019 , 10 am PT/ 1 pm ET	Zoom Room 2017201717 or call +1 877.369.0926, code: 2017 2017 17
CCL Canada Education Call: TBD	TBD 4 pm PT / 7 pm ET SHARP	Zoom Room 3920795005 or call +1 877.369.0926, meeting code: 3920 7950 05

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Why? Studies have shown that the phrase climate change is not changing minds at the neurological level.

Phrases like “climate change” and “global warming” sound rather passive and gentle when what scientists are talking about is a catastrophe for humanity. We can better communicate to others the nature of our crisis by using more precise wording.

Earlier in May, Greta Thunberg, the Swedish teenager who has inspired school strikes for climate around the globe, [said](#): “It’s 2019. Can we all now call it what it is: climate breakdown, climate crisis, climate emergency, ecological breakdown, ecological crisis and ecological emergency?”

ACTION 2: Inform your MPs that we are seeking answers to specific questions from all political parties by July 1 so that we can post them online by the end of July. We will discuss the questions on our monthly calls.

NOTE: DO NOT SEND THESE QUESTIONS UNTIL AFTER THE MONTHLY CALL SO WE CAN ALL AGREE ON THE WORDING. [CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE LATEST VERSION ON GOOGLE DOCS](#)

- 1) What are your party's GHG emissions reductions targets for 2030 and 2050?
- 2) Will your party commit to Canada pursuing the 1.5C aspiration in the Paris Agreement?
- 3) Will your party commit to raising the national carbon price past 2022?
- 4) Will your party commit to ending "inefficient fossil fuel subsidies"? I'm more concerned with "efficient fossil fuel subsidies"
- 5) What complementary policies will your party enact to reduce GHG emissions?
- 6) How does your party plan to pay for transformation needed // what changes to our tax laws is your party committed to making? Can we include something about tax havens or is that just pushing a different agenda too far?
- 7) How will your party protect the poor and middle class from economic shocks during the transformation?
- 8) How will your party protect farmers from economic shocks during the transformation?
- 9) How will your party protect emissions-intensive-trade-exposed industries from economic shocks during the transformation? What are your thoughts on border carbon adjustments, and other international agreements?
- ##) What will your party do to ensure a fair transition for displaced oil and gas workers?
- 10) Will your party agree with the following:
We need science-based, legally binding greenhouse gas targets, transparent progress reporting and cross-party cooperation. Please use the [United Kingdom's Climate Change Act \(2008\)](#) as a model, which was the recommendation of Ontario's Environmental Commissioner in: Climate Action in Ontario: What's Next?
- 11) What are your party's thoughts on the Green New Deal for Canada?

Once we collect all the information, we will not rank the parties. Instead will post the answers in an objective table. Please [see what we did previously in Ontario and BC](#).

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[GreenPAC](#), a non-partisan, non-profit organization working to elect and support environmental leaders of all major parties running for office, officially launched the 100 debates project on June 5.

Visit 100debates.ca to see if there's already a debate being organized in your riding and by which organizations.

You can also [fill out this form online](#) to see how you can get involved and if there's no debate listed in your riding.

Check out this message to learn more about the project and how you can help promote it online:

Dear friends,

We are thrilled to let you know that today we **launched 100 Debates on the Environment!**

We want to extend our gratitude to you who have made the momentum behind this unprecedented project possible. From helping us to get the word out, to connecting us to potential organizers, to helping us to select **Debate Day - October 7th** - *your enthusiasm and support has been invaluable* -- Save the date!!

Incredible progress has been made! As of today, **debates are already confirmed in 65 ridings**, across every province and 2 of 3 territories. This list is constantly growing - with **potential organizers considering getting involved in another 51 ridings**.

To pull it all off we'll need all the help we can get promoting the debates on social media -- here's how:

1. **Follow** 100 debates on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).
2. **Tweet your support** for the project:

Sample tweets:

- Save the date. October 7 we're supporting @100debates on the environment. Join us! #Elxn43 #CdnPoli www.100debates.ca
- Be a part of history. On Oct 7, candidates from 100 ridings across Canada are debating #environment — the largest debates event to ever take place in Canada. #elxn43 #cdnpoli @100debates www.100debates.ca
- Oct 7 is @100debates on the #environment. The largest debates event to ever take place in Canada on the most urgent topic of our time. 🌍 #elxn43 #cdnpoli www.100debates.ca

Themed debates have never been done on this scale in Canada. Ever. On any issue. Not even close. Together, we are repositioning the environment as an issue that no party and no candidate can ignore.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to us any time with questions or ideas. We'd love to hear from you.

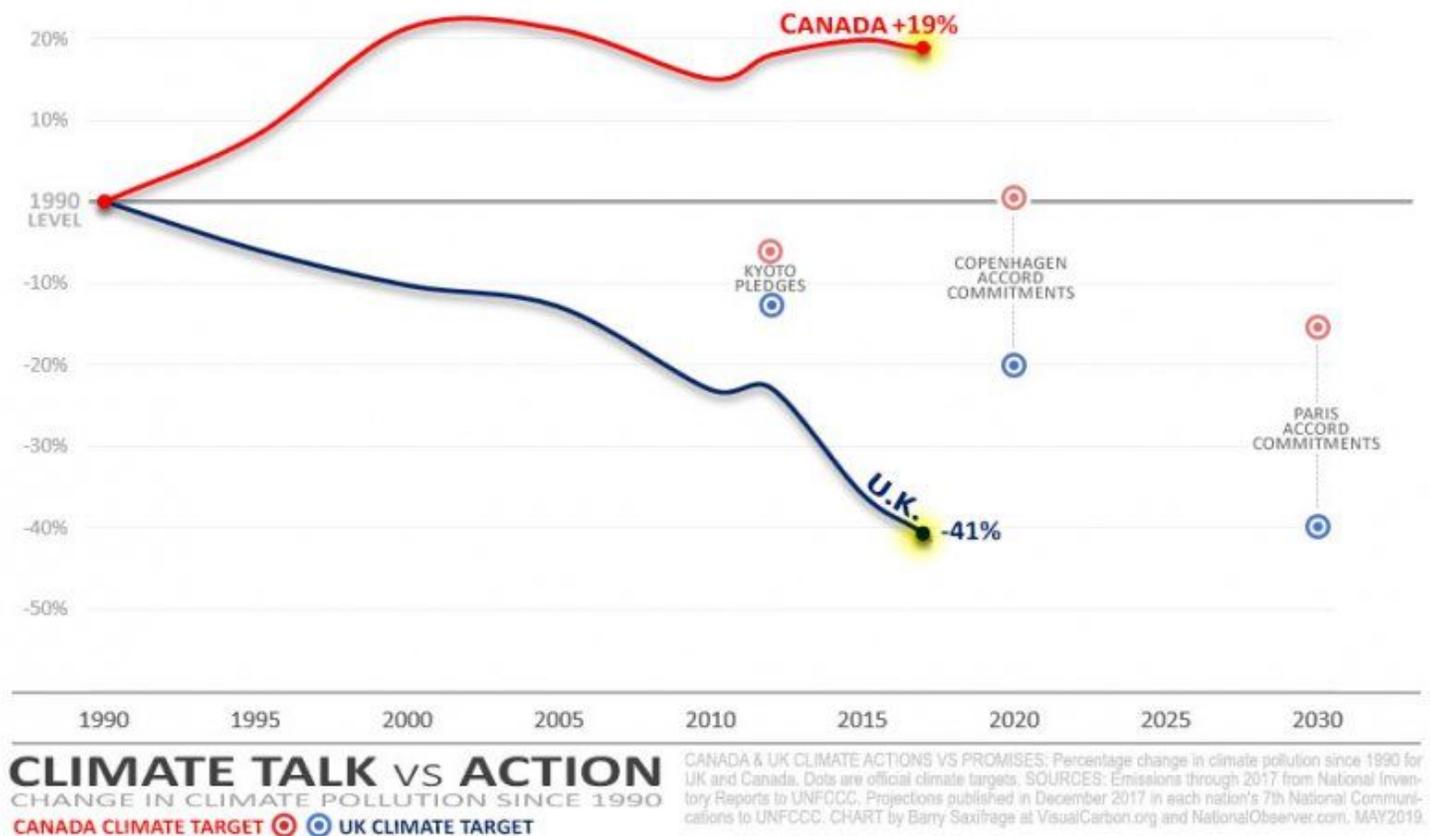
With much gratitude and excitement,

The 100 Debates team

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We are not fans of petitions at CCL. But other agencies are helping us. Additionally, We Don't Have Time is working very hard to take up some good space on social media for the climate. This is a key battleground for hearts and minds in this election. We should be leaning on them - especially given that they are offering to help us.

LASER TALK: The UK Climate Change Act



In 2008, the UK parliament passed [the UK Climate Change Act](#), which sets legally binding long-term emissions targets, along with 5-year carbon budgets 12 years in advance. To make sure they stay on track, the law covers all emissions in all years — not just a single target year far in the future.

The Act also established the [Committee on Climate Change](#) (CCC) to ensure that targets are set and monitored based on non-partisan, expert advice and reporting.

[According to the CCC](#), in 2017, the UK met the first carbon budget (2008-2012), was set to outperform the second (2013-2017) and third (2018-2022), but was not on track to meet the fourth (2023-2027).

In contrast, according to Environment and Climate Change Canada's [2018 climate pollution projections](#) report shows Canada's emissions are projected to be less than halfway to Canada's 2030 Paris Agreement target.

As part of a plan for Canada to do its fair share in keeping [global heating below 1.5 °C](#), we can use the UK Climate Change Act as a model, which was the recommendation of Ontario's Environment Commissioner in [Climate Action in Ontario: What's Next?](#)