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COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

EMPLOYEE POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM Original Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, by email at gifttravelreports@mail.house.gov, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Jacob Bornstein
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: _____ OR None
 b. Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates: Departure: November 5, 2021 Return: November 9, 2021
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: _____ OR None
4. Departure City: Washington, D.C. Destination: Edinburgh Return City: Washington, D.C.
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Conservative Climate Foundation
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended:
 Attended COP26 and multiple meetings related to decarbonization and international efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
 - a. a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
 - b. the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Additional Sponsor Form(s)*;
 - c. page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
 - d. the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.
Signify statement is true by checking the box.
 b. If not, explain:

I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Traveler: Date: 12/9/21

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Date: 12/9/21
Signature of Supervising Member: _____



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SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

Original Amendment

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within ten days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

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1. Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: Conservative Climate Foundation
2. Travel Destination(s): Glasgow, Scotland
3. Date of Departure: November 5, 2021 Date of Return: November 9, 2021
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Jake Bornstein

Note: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$2,557.87	\$1,813.32	\$483.32	\$195.63 (ground transportation) \$191.31 (COVID-19 testing) \$134.32 (taxi from COP26 to Hotel)
Accompanying Family Member	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. Signify statement is true by checking box.

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Heather Reams Date: 11/17/2021

Name: Heather Reams Title: Co-Chair

Organization: Conservative Climate Foundation

I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box.

Address: 410 First Street, SE, Washington D.C., 20003

Email: info@rightonclimate.org Telephone: (202) 276-7579

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.



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TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. This form and any attachments may be delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth or e-mailed to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. **You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.**

Name of Traveler: Jacob Bornstein

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I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. John Curtis

Office Address: 2400 Rayburn

Telephone Number: 202-226-7722

Email Address of Contact Person: jake.bornstein@mail.house.gov

Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via e-mail: travel.requests@mail.house.gov.



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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Jacob Bornstein
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying or providing in-kind support for the trip:
Conservative Climate Foundation, The Atlantic Council
3. City and State **OR** Foreign Country of Travel : Glasgow, Scotland
4. a. Date of Departure: November 5, 2021 Date of Return: November 9, 2021
b. Yes No Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?
If yes, list dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Yes No Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense? **If yes:**
(1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: _____
(2) Relationship to Traveler: Spouse Child Other (specify): _____
(3) Yes No Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:
6. a. Yes No Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?
b. **If yes**, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:
7. Yes No *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and Additional Sponsor Forms.

NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties.
Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
I serve as the Deputy Chief of Staff where part of my portfolio includes energy and climate policy. Additionally, I serve as the Executive Director of the Conservative Climate Caucus. This trip will help me in my official capacity to better understand international dynamics related to climate policy.
9. **Yes No Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?**
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member _____

Date 10/05/2021



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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

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NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip: **OR**
 - b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds: **OR**
 - c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:
4. Provide names and titles of **ALL** House Members *and* employees you are inviting. **For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited** (include additional pages if necessary):
5. Yes No Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?
6. Date of departure: _____ Date of return: _____
7. a. City of departure: _____
b. Destination(s): _____
c. City of return: _____
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: **OR**
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent: **OR**
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. **Check only one of the following:**
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above; **OR**
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging; **OR**
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night; **OR**
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights. If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:



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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box.*
11. **Check only one of the following:**
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box; OR*
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education.
12. For **each** sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip **and** its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
13. **Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:**
- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
- b. Class of travel: Coach Business First Charter Other (specify: _____)
- c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:
14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*
15. **Check only one.** I represent that either:
- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees; **OR**
- b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation.
- If "b" is checked:
- 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided):
- 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
- Reason(s) for Selecting: _____
- Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
- Reason(s) for Selecting: _____
- Hotel Name: _____ City: _____ Cost Per Night: _____
- Reason(s) for Selecting: _____
17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking the box.*



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18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates			
For each Member, Officer, or Employee			
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee		
For each Accompanying Family Member		

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19. Check only one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below; **OR**
- b. *Not Applicable*. Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify by my signature that

- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Heather Rouns Date: 10/04/21

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the agenda, invitation list, any attachments, and any *Additional Trip Sponsor Forms* directly to the Travelers.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

Willful or knowing misrepresentation on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution under 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Signatures must comply with section 104(bb) of the Travel Regulations.

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ADDITIONAL TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by an organization that provides funds, services, or in-kind assistance to another entity to underwrite, in whole or in part, a trip or an event, meal, or activity that will occur during a trip, or a necessary expense that will be incurred during a trip, with express or implicit knowledge or understanding that one or more House Members or employees may participate in or attend that trip or event, or otherwise may be beneficiaries of the gift or donation.

Provide a copy of your completed form to the primary sponsor of the trip.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Name of Primary Trip Sponsor: _____
2. Name of your organization: _____
3. Yes No Is your organization designated a § 501(c)(3) charitable organization by the Internal Revenue Service?
4. Yes No Does your organization receive funding from any foreign government or multinational organization?
5. **Check one.** I certify that my organization:
 - a. Has provided a grant, gift, or donation to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor and conducts an audit or review of its grant, gift, or donation to ensure that the funds are spent in accordance with the terms of its grant, gift, or donation. **OR**
 - b. Has had a direct role in the organizing, planning, or conducting of a trip to
Destination: _____ on Date: _____
that is being organized or arranged by the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor. **OR**
 - c. Has provided in-kind support to the above-named Primary Trip Sponsor (e.g., meeting planning assistance, meeting space and set-up, and paying for expenses related to this trip directly to the service provider).
6. **Check only one:**
 - a. My organization does not employ or retain a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent **OR**
 - b. My organization employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but their involvement in planning, organizing, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the travel regulations.
7. I certify by my signature that
 - a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
 - b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent;
 - c. I am an officer of this organization and am duly authorized to sign this form; and
 - d. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____



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INSTRUCTIONS

Complete the *Additional Trip Sponsor Form* and submit the forms directly to the Primary Trip Sponsor.

Written approval from the Committee on Ethics is required before traveling on this trip. The Committee on Ethics will notify the House invitees directly and will not notify the trip sponsors.

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1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip:
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box.*
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
 - a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip: **OR**
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If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors:
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b. Destination(s): _____
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- a. Mode of travel: Air Rail Bus Car Other (specify: _____)
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<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee			
For each Accompanying Family Member			

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- a. I read and understand the Committee's Travel Regulations;
- b. I am not a registered federal lobbyist or registered foreign agent; and
- c. The information on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: Heather Rouns Date: 10/04/21

Name: _____ Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

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November 1, 2021

Mr. Jacob Bornstein
Office of the Honorable John R. Curtis
2400 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Bornstein:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to Scotland,¹ scheduled for November 5 to 9, 2021, sponsored by the Conservative Climate Foundation.

This approval represents the Committee's determination that the proposed trip complies with relevant House rules, federal laws, and Travel Regulations promulgated by the Committee. You should engage in your own assessment of the risks and implications of engaging in travel during the current COVID-19 pandemic.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$415 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

¹ Please be aware that the Committee's review of the proposed trip does not extend to either the security situation in the destination country or security related to foreign travel in general. We recommend you contact the Office of House Security (OHS) for a safety and security briefing prior to your departure. OHS may be reached at (202) 226-2044 or ohsstaff@mail.house.gov. House travelers should also register for the U.S. State Department's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at <https://step.state.gov>.

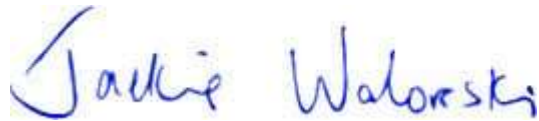
Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House employees may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts “of minimal value [currently \$415] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy” by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee’s Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,



Theodore E. Deutch
Chairman



Jackie Walorski
Ranking Member

TED/JW:rp

List of those invited to attend The Conservative Climate Foundation's Trip to Scotland:

Representative Garret Graves

Representative John Curtis

Representative Debbie Lesko

Representative David McKinley

Jake Bornstein; Deputy Chief of Staff, Office of Rep. John Curtis

Emily Domenech; Senior Policy Advisor, Office of The Minority Leader

Lou Hrkman; Professional Staff, House Select Committee on Climates

Sophia Varnasidis; Professional Staff, House Select Committee on Climates

Vivian Moeglein; Staff Director, House Committee on Natural Resources

Why are we inviting these members and staff:

We are inviting these Conservative Members of Congress and Congressional staff on this trip as they will be instrumental in creating durable policies domestically that address emissions on a global scale. Overall, Conservative members of Congress and staff are stepping up their interaction on climate policy and moving into a more global leadership role in address emissions and climate issues. Attending the UN COP ensures they have a visible global presence.

These invited conservative Members of U.S. Congress and staff are now leaning forward on climate policy and doing so in a way that seemed impossible to many just a few years ago. In April 2021, House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy released a host of legislative proposals addressing many crucial climate-related conservative concerns, including critical minerals, energy security, grid reliability, government efficiency, innovation, carbon capture, natural solutions and conservation. House Leadership also established an Energy, Climate, and Conservation Task Force to identify new policy opportunities. In June, Rep. Curtis unveiled the creation of a Conservative Climate Caucus, with the goal of educating Republican Members on innovative clean energy technologies and commonsense policy solutions to reduce emissions. It has now grown to 65 Members, or a third of House Republicans. Also in June, the Senate passed the Growing Climate Solutions Act with overwhelming bipartisan support on a 92-8 vote (a majority, 47, of those votes were Republican). This bill is the first ever stand-alone climate change bill to pass out of the Senate.

The goal for our trip:

A meaningful number of Republican Members would benefit from a meeting with the official U.S. delegation to COP26 as organized by the Department of State and other global delegates, elected officials and conservative thought leaders.

Thus, the Conservative Climate Foundation is planning to host the "add-on" programming described above for Republicans in the official U.S. delegation with an open invitation to the full U.S. delegation to (1) learn new policy approaches from global counterparts, (2) share successes in the U.S., and (3) gain first-hand experience with innovative technologies in the U.K.



COP 26 Agenda

Friday, Nov. 5 | Evening departure from Washington DC

7:25 pm: Entire group will depart Washington, DC en route to Glasgow

Saturday, Nov. 6 | Morning arrival in Scotland, Orientation, Climate Tourism, and Reception

10:50 am: Entire group arrives at Edinburgh International Airport

Noon: Entire group travels to Transit to COP26
Orientation and ethics briefing

1:00 pm: Lunch at TBA

2:00 pm - 4:30 pm: COP26

COP26 Site: The Blue Zone (UN-managed space that hosts the negotiations). All attendees within the Blue Zone must be accredited by the UNFCCC through the US State Department. The Green Zone (managed by the UK Government) is a platform for the general public and civil society.

NOTE: Additional visits to the COP site and to meet with U.S. negotiators will be coordinated with the U.S. State Department.

4:30 pm: Entire group travels to local accommodations

The Gleneagles Hotel | Auchterarder, Perthshire | Scotland PH3 1NF

Entire group will check in and take some time to rest and recover from the overnight flight

Option to take COVID testing

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm: Reception and dinner

Dinner at Gleneagles Hotel | Auchterarder, Perthshire | Scotland PH3 1NF



Sun, Nov. 7 | Global Conservative Convening at Climate Action Solution Centre (CASC)

7:30 am - 9:00 am: Entire group travels to Blair Estate for the Global Conservative Convening at Climate Action Solution Centre (CASC)

Policy briefing? Answer FAQs

9:00 am - 2:30 pm: Global Conservative Convening at Climate Action Solution Centre (CASC) and afternoon site visit

After transport to Blair Estate, the delegation will participate in a day of discussions on conservative efforts around the globe to advance clean energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

See Addendum for details (last page).

All meals will be provided at the Blair Estate.

This convening is in partnership with the Atlantic Council. Agenda items may include:

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm: Entire group travels to COP26 Blue and Green Zones

3:30 pm - 6:15 pm: Meetings with U.S. negotiators and U.S. companies at the COP26 Blue and Green Zones.

Need to coordinate this block of time with the U.S. State Department.

6:15 pm - 6:45 pm: Entire group travels back to The Gleneagles Hotel

6:45 pm - 9:00 pm: Reception and dinner at The Gleneagles Hotel along with BSCE and other invited guests



Mon 8 Nov | Member Site Visits and Civil Society Events

7:00 am - 8:30 am: Breakfast at The Gleneagles Hotel (on-demand/on your own)

8:30 am - 9:30 am: Transit to Edinburgh

9:30 am - Noon: Site Visit: Flexitricity Control Room and discussion of market-friendly approaches to large-scale clean energy deployment, residential-to-grid energy storage, and demand management. The goal of this site visit is to help contextualize the scale of the economic and industrial opportunity associated with clean energy abundant near the COP.

Include guests from the Port of Leith, which has announced plans to become Scotland's largest renewable energy hub.

Includes guests from the H100 Fife project, a world-first hydrogen network that brings renewable hydrogen into homes providing zero-carbon fuel for heating and cooking.

Noon – 2pm:

Lunch (speaker TBD): The White Hart Inn

Local tourism

2:00 – 2:45 pm: Transport to COP

3pm – 5.30pm: Meetings with U.S. negotiators and U.S. companies at the COP26 Blue and Green Zones.

Need to coordinate this block of time with the U.S. State Department.

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm: Entire group travels to the Corinthian Club in Glasgow.

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm: Corinthian Club for a salon dinner concurrently with American conservative organizations such as C3 Solutions and the Grace Richardson foundation and select global conservative organizations following the “Climate and Freedom Symposium”.

8:30 pm - 9:30 pm: Entire group travels back to The Gleneagles Hotel



Tues 9 Nov | Morning departure from Glasgow

7:00 - 8:30 am: Breakfast at The Gleneagles Hotel (on-demand/on your own)

8:30 - 9:00 am: Entire group travels to Glasgow International Airport

9:00 - 10:00 am: Entire groups departs for Washington, DC or home districts

** Please note that this agenda is subject to change.*

**Please note travel restrictions in Scotland are in place and require travelers to be fully vaccinated or quarantine upon arrival.*

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Sun 7 Nov | Global Conservative Convening at Climate Action Solution Centre Detailed Agenda

9:00 - 9:30 am: Orientation and coffee

9:30 am -- Noon: Morning Session: Technology and economic growth.

The goal of the morning session is to provide education on the latest clean energy and climate technologies and better understand what economic growth from these emerging areas will look like and where the jobs can be.

Carbon removal and nature based solutions

What is carbon trading ... Rachel Kight (sp?)

Nuclear ... roundtable w. DOE and others

Climate Pathfinders

Speaker from Hunterston Port and Resource Centre (PARC), a hub for offshore wind and oil and gas decommissioning. It is located 25 minutes from the Blair Estate.

Noon - 1:00 pm: Lunch presentation -- Michael Lebreich BNEF founder.

The goal of the lunch discussion is to understand the global trends (data) in clean energy and clean energy finance and how the US fits in.

1:00 - 1:30 pm: Break

Tour castle?

1:30 - 2:30pm: Afternoon session: What US policy leadership can look like.

The goal of the afternoon session is for U.S. members of congress to discuss with members of the US Chamber of Commerce on what kinds of US policy can help drive emissions reductions, economic growth, and the U.S. carbon advantage.

2:30 pm: Depart for COP26

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COP 26 Congressional Trip Agenda

November 5 to 9, 2021

Note: there is potential for delays into COP26 due to security issues, as well as last minute meeting room changes.

Friday, November 5

Various times: Members and staff depart Washington, D.C. en-route to Edinburgh, Scotland

Saturday, November 6

10:15 AM: Transportation to Glasgow (for those already at Gleneagles Hotel)

10:35 AM: Members and staff arrive at Edinburgh Airport to be picked up by coach bus

11:15 AM: Entire group travels to COP26

Will make stop adjacent to airport for those who are just arriving to clean-up, refresh, grab a quick bite to eat, and take COVID-19 test

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton, Edinburgh Airport
100 East Field Rd, Ingliston, Edinburgh, H28 8LL

***Note, please have business attire with walking shoes easily accessible within your luggage*

Orientation and briefing en-route to Glasgow

1:30 – 4:30 PM: Attend COP26 “Nature Day”

***note: specific times and locations to be announced on the ground*

Exploration of COP26 and meetings with various business and international leaders

Conversations with:

Representatives from the Japanese Delegation to COP 26

Kelly Sims-Gallagher, Academic Dean, Tufts Fletcher School and Professor, Environmental and Energy Policy

Dr. Lucas Joppa, Chief Environmental Officer, Microsoft

**we may also meet with the bi-partisan US Senate CODEL @ COP 26 at some point*

Attire: Business (Please wear comfortable walking shoes, we will be on our feet for a bit of time)

Location: COP26

Scottish Events Campus, Exhibition Way, Glasgow G3 8YW

4:30 PM: Group travels back to local accommodations

***Location:* The Gleneagles Hotel, Auchterarder PH3 1NF, United Kingdom**

5:30 PM: Arrival and Check-in.

6:00 – 8:30 PM: Reception and Dinner

***Topic:* Welcome event Congressional delegation, staff, and stakeholders to Scotland. Discussion on the rapidly changing state of global nuclear, nuclear's use in fuels.**

Speakers:

Kirsty Gogan, Founder & Managing Director, Terra Praxis

Rich Powell, Co-Chair, Conservative Climate Foundation

Heather Reams, Co-Chair, Conservative Climate Foundation

Location:

Reception in The Assembly Room, Gleneagles Hotel

Dinner in The Billiard Room, Gleneagles Hotel

***Attire:* Business casual**

Sunday, November 7

7:30 – 9:00 AM: Breakfast (Times will be assigned for breakfast, hotel will provide)

Location: The Strathearn Restaurant, Gleneagles Hotel

8:30 AM: Coffee meet & greet

Location: The Billiard Room, The Gleneagles Hotel

9:00 – 10:30 AM: Salon Discussion on Enabling the Global Expansion of Nuclear Energy

Topic: Nuclear energy currently provides around 10% of the world's electricity and nearly a third of the world's low-carbon electricity. New nuclear technologies are also being commercialized today, and they offer a new suite of end uses beyond the electricity sector. International collaboration can accelerate bringing these technologies to market. The discussion will focus on the current U.S. nuclear energy policy landscape, a case study in deploying new technologies, and opportunities for U.S. leadership. DG Sama Bilbao y Leon and Mr. Dan Albas also will share their unique global perspectives on the current and future of the nuclear industry.

Speakers:

Dan Albas, M.P., House of Commons, Parliament of Canada

Sama Bilbao y León, Director General, World Nuclear Association

Nicholas McMurray, Senior Program Director, Nuclear Energy, ClearPath

Jeffrey Merrifield, Partner, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman

Dr. Benjamin Reinke, Senior Director, Corporate Strategy, X-Energy

Location: The Billiard Room, The Gleneagles Hotel

Attire: Business casual

10:30 – 10:45 AM: Break

10:45 – 11:45 AM: Carbon Capture and Nature Based Solutions Roundtable

Topic: Briefing by DRAX on a groundbreaking negative emissions technology bioenergy with carbon capture and storage project (BECCS) in North Yorkshire. The project would remove 20-70 million tonnes of CO₂ per year by 2050, delivering 40 percent of the negative emissions the country indicates it needs to reach net-zero by 2050.

Speakers:

Mariano Molina, International Public Affairs Manager, DRAX

Ross McKenzie, Group Director of International Affairs, DRAX

Jason Eberstein, Vice President, Government Relations, Enviva

Niall Mac Dowell, Professor of Future Energy Systems, Imperial College London

Location: The Billiard Room, Gleneagles Hotel

Attire: Business casual

11:45 AM – Noon: Break and COVID-19 testing

****Note:** We will be working with attendees to schedule them to take COVID-19 tests for over lunchtime

Noon – 1:30 PM: Lunch presentation and pre-departure COVID-19 testing

Topic: Presentation to focus on global trends in carbon trade and finance

Speaker: David Banks, GOP Climate Advisor and Sr. Fellow, CRES Forum

Location: The Birnam Brasserie, Gleneagles Hotel

Attire: Business casual

1:30 – 1:45 PM: Break

1:45 – 3:30 PM: Discussion on opportunities for market-friendly climate policy and U.S. leadership.

Topic: Discussion with U.S. Members of Congress and leaders of global and US businesses on policies that can help drive emissions reductions, economic growth, and the U.S. carbon advantage.

Attendees: In addition to the U.S. House of Representatives members and staffers, and invited attendees including American and International companies.

Location: The Billiard Room, Gleneagles Hotel

Attire: Business casual

4:00 – 5:30 PM: Exploration of cultural landmarks and Scottish culture or take a local area hike on own. (optional)

Location: Details to be provided upon arrival.

Attire: Business casual

6:30 – 9:30 PM: Reception and dinner

Speakers:

Mr. Robert Kump, President & Deputy CEO, Avangrid

Mr. Keith Anderson, CEO, Scottish Power Renewables

With Guests From:

United States House of Representatives; The Business Council on Sustainable Energy; ClearPath; Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions (CRES) Forum; Scottish Power; Avangrid

Location: The Ballroom, Gleneagles Hotel

Attire: Smart Dinner Wear (it's Great Britain)

Monday, November 8

7:15 – 8:00 AM: Pick up boxed breakfast at the Gleneagles Hotel

8:00 – 9:00 AM: Transit from hotel to Flexitricity Site Visit, Edinburgh

9:30 AM – Noon: Flexitricity site visit and discussion

Topic: Tour and discussion of market-friendly approaches to large-scale clean energy deployment, residential-to-grid energy storage, and demand management. The goal of this site visit is to help contextualize the scale of the economic and industrial opportunity associated with clean energy abundant near the COP.

Speakers:

Angus McIntosh from H100 Fife Project, a world-first hydrogen network that brings renewable hydrogen into homes providing zero-carbon fuel for heating and cooking.

Charles Thompson from ORE Catapult, on the Levenmouth Demonstration Turbine (LDT) and other offshore renewable projects.

Keith Gains from Quinbrook, a low-carbon investment company, currently constructing the first new Synchronous Condenser to be build in the UK, to help stabilize the grid as older baseload coal, gas and nuclear plants are retired and intermittent renewables capacity increase.

Location: Flexitricity, 6th floor, Mainpoint, 102 West Port, Edinburgh, EH3 9DN

Attire: Business

Noon - 1:45 PM: Lunch

Location: The Castle Arms, 6 Johnston Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2PW, United Kingdom

Angus Robertson MSP, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, External Affairs, and Culture will meet the delegation for lunch.

Following lunch, we hope to have a brief time for attendees to walk about the historic castle area.

Attire: Business

1:45 – 3:00 PM: Transit from Edinburgh to COP26

3:00 – 5:30 PM: Attend COP 26, meetings with U.S. negotiators and U.S. companies at the COP26 Blue and Green Zones. (Adaptation, Loss, and Damage Day)

*****note, specific times and locations to be added on the ground*****

Meetings with Representatives of the Taiwan Government in attendance

Press interviews

Attire: Business

5:30 PM: Group at Blue Zone Zone to depart and transit to Corinthian Club

Member of Congress walk to Corinthian Club (2 blocks away)

6:00 – 7:00 PM: Reception

Location: The Corinthian Club, 191 Ingram Street, Glasgow

Attire: Business

7:00 PM (sharp) – 9:00 PM: Salon Dinner

The salon dinner will be a *moderated Chatham House Rules, strictly off-the-record discussion* to include Members and senior staff from the UK Parliament, the US House of Representatives, international policy and business leaders, and a select few members of the media. The topic of discussion will be related to the UNCOP26 meetings and the importance of embracing and expanding free-market economic freedom around the world for addressing climate change.

Attending groups include:

C3 Solutions

The Grace Richardson Foundation

ClearPath

CRES Forum

Location: The Corinthian Club, 191 Ingram St, Glasgow G1 1DA, United Kingdom

Attire: Business

9:00 PM: Return to Gleneagles Hotel

Tuesday, November 9

Various times: Breakfast, hotel check-out

Location: Gleneagles Hotel

Various times: Transit to Edinburgh International Airport

***Attendees will be provided airport transfer information**

Various times: Depart for the United States