

FUTURES LABS @ COP26

Bold ideas for systems change to accelerate the transition to a regenerative, just world

Reimagining Carbon Removals Programme

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Valence Solutions

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Carbon Removals: “Reimagining Carbon Removals

<p>Vision Statement</p>	<p><i>What are the visions for the future you want to explore?</i></p> <p>In this session we envision a future where, in parallel with rapid reductions, we are taking CO₂ out of the air at the scale needed to achieve net zero in an effective, affordable and equitable way and start reversing climate change. We then work back from the future to identify the grand challenges we must tackle now to get there.</p>
<p>Challenges</p>	<p><i>What challenges are you experimenting with to get there?</i></p> <p>In building a common view of a future with removals, we will look behind three of the fault-lines that currently hamper the effective use and growth of carbon removals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Global South v. Global North: How can the developing world benefit socially and economically from both nature-based and engineered carbon removals - and what is the responsibility of developed nations? ● Nature v. Tech: What will it take to get support for a holistic and systemic approach to removals that ensures a portfolio of solutions, addresses durability and gets away from “green vs chrome”? ● Reductions v. Removals: what needs to happen for carbon removals to be truly complementary and additional to reducing emissions - and not a distraction or excuse?
<p>09/11/2021 16:30-18:00</p>	<p>Reimagining Carbon Removals</p> <p>In this event, we aim to take a very different look at carbon removals. We will together ‘build’ a future where we are taking CO₂ out of the air at scale, and we have bridged the fault lines that hold back progress today – reductions vs removals, nature vs tech, Global South vs North. We then work back from the future we have envisioned and explore what needs to happen now to get there.</p>
<p>2 minutes</p>	<p>Welcome</p> <p>Host: Gabrielle Walker, Director, Valence Solutions</p>
<p>5 minutes</p>	<p>The story so far</p> <p>Speaker: Delia Meth-Cohn, Co-Founder, Rethinking Removals</p>

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45 minutes	Building the future - an evolving conversation James Mwangi, Executive Director, Dalberg Group and Founder of Climate Action Platform - Africa Nili Gilbert, Board Member, Rockefeller Foundation Julio Friedmann, Senior Research Scholar, Columbia University Jana Dallan, Partner, Carbonext Kumi Naidoo, Former CEO of Greenpeace and former Secretary General of Amnesty International
10 mins	The Futurist and the Future – a conversation on our vision Kim Stanley Robinson, Author of Ministry for the Future Cathy Li, UNFCCC representative of youth and women
10 mins	Back to the present - setting the scene Gabrielle Walker, Director, Valence Solutions
15 mins	The implementation challenge Walter Shalka, CEO Suzano Elizabeth Wilmott, Head of Carbon Removals, Microsoft Leo Prieto, CEO Lemu
5 mins	Next steps and closing remarks: Nigel Topping, UNFCCC High Level Climate Champion