

**Establishing the UK as the  
Global Centre of Excellence for Carbon Dioxide Removal Finance**

**15:45- 17:00 on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Fishmongers' Hall, London Bridge**

## **Background and Meeting Objective**

In order to achieve the ambition of the Paris Agreement and stabilise global temperatures, it will be necessary to not only reduce emissions of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere, but also remove, and permanently store, large quantities of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

The meeting, convened by the Bridge Institute and cKinetics, will bring together experts in financial and professional services with key stakeholders from policy, industry and academia to discuss how the UK can establish – and maintain – its position as a **Global Centre of Excellence for Carbon Dioxide Removal Finance**. The meeting would also explore enabling cross-border capital flow for scaling high-integrity Carbon Dioxide Removal (CDR) market.

The meeting is being convened alongside the [Carbon Removal Investment Summit](#) and the associated [Investor Conclave](#), which together are designed to foster a data-driven dialogue on the capital and investment dynamics needed to scale carbon removals. The Summit shares a common objective with this workshop: to better understand how finance, market infrastructure, and institutional leadership can help accelerate high-integrity CDR.

This meeting, organised with the support of the FCDO, HSBC and the City of London Corporation, builds on work to **establish an international agency for CDR** that has been conducting workshops in the UAE, Canada, UK, Germany, India, Singapore and Australia. The UK's comparative advantage in the CDR space does not lie in the large-scale deployment of removal techniques, but in the financial and professional services sector. Participants will hear brief opening remarks from leading thinkers on CDR from the University of Oxford, followed by a workshop session that will involve participants in scoping out what it will take to establish the City of London and the UK as a Centre of Excellence for CDR Finance.

The meeting will be conducted under the Chatham House Rule and a report detailing the outcome of the workshop will be prepared and shared with the participants.

## **About Bridge Institute**

The Bridge Institute is a global, non-partisan, apolitical non-profit that works to unlock ecosystems around some of the world's most complex challenges. For the past 15 years, the Institute has supported governments, corporates, foundations, and philanthropists across peacebuilding, government relations, communications, finance, global health, geopolitics, and strategy. In the carbon removal context, the Bridge Institute brings a systems-level approach to convening stakeholders, mapping policy and finance barriers, and supporting practical roadmaps for scaling high-integrity CDR markets. Its work is guided by the UN Sustainable Development Goals and focuses on building the partnerships, governance structures, and market conditions needed to move from ambition to implementation.

## **About cKinetics**

cKinetics is a global sustainability-focused advisory firm working at the intersection of sustainable markets, policy, finance, and climate transition. It works with investors, businesses, and policymakers worldwide to help shape more effective, interconnected, and better-informed environmental markets. Through its market intelligence division, cCarbon.info, cKinetics provides data, analytics, and forecasts across carbon, clean fuels, and other environmental commodity markets. Its work also supports sub-national climate action and helps inform the design of cross-border transactions and market mechanisms needed to scale environmental markets with integrity.