A MESSAGE FROM OUR HONORARY PRESIDENT AND CHAIR

When the Aldersgate Group was founded in 2006, the Climate Change Act was merely an early day motion; the Stern Review was months away from publication; Al Gore had just premiered “An Inconvenient Truth”.

Our foundation was marked by publication of our first report, Green Foundations. It argued that, “no economic policy which sacrifices environmental quality can succeed in the long term”. Ten years later, this belief remains core to the Group’s activities.

In our first decade, we’ve been at the heart of a major shift in thinking, from seeing regulations as obstructive and decarbonisation as a burden, to putting carbon emissions on the boardroom agenda and amplifying a business demand for “smart” regulation.

For our next decade, we look forward to implementation of the Paris Agreement, meeting our first four carbon budgets and establishing the systems to leave our natural environment in a better state than we found it.

To achieve all that, we look forward to working with our peerless membership which spans business, politics and civil society. We are beholden to our members and close collaborators for their enthusiasm and expertise and offer our thanks for their unstinting support.

Dame Fiona Woolf DBE
Honorary President

Joan Walley
Chair
“Aldersgate's influence means the voices of progressive businesses are always heard in government. They have helped ensure environmental policy became a partnership between the political and commercial worlds.”

RT HON AMBER RUDD MP
FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

“Through its advocacy on policy the Aldersgate Group is an essential catalyst in helping the UK move towards a low carbon economy.”

ABYD KARMALI
MANAGING DIRECTOR, CLIMATE FINANCE AT BANK OF AMERICA MERRILL LYNCH
A DECADE'S IMPACT ON UK POLICY

HOSTED MORE THAN 240 EVENTS

RECEIVED MORE THAN 700 MEDIA HITS

PUBLISHED 32 REPORTS

THE NUMBER OF ATTENDEES AT OUR EVENTS COULD FILL...

2x ROYAL ALBERT HALL
27x THE HOUSE OF COMMONS CHAMBER
137 LONDON DOUBLE-DECKER BUSES

HAD 50 MEETINGS WITH SECRETARIES AND MINISTERS OF STATE
“The Aldersgate Group has been invaluable in demonstrating that action on climate change makes economic sense and enjoys strong business support. The UK’s climate agenda has and will continue to benefit from their cross-economy, evidence-based approach.”

SIR DAVID KING
SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AT THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE

“I am very glad that the Aldersgate Group has been very supportive of the European Commission’s objectives on the Circular Economy Package and I count on their further support for the EU’s work in this area in the months to come.”

JYRKI KATAINEN
EUROPEAN COMMISSION VICE-PRESIDENT FOR JOBS, GROWTH, INVESTMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS