

Toward a New Climate Network

Transatlantic Solutions for a Low Carbon Economy

Transatlantic Climate Policy Group



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FOREWORD



Protecting our environment is one of my top priorities, and combating climate change requires collaboration with many levels of government. I am proud of the valuable contributions that our state has made to this goal, including our cities and counties that have shown tremendous leadership. California has also worked with other states, Canadian provinces, our federal government, and other nations on this important issue. In partnership, we can make a positive difference in the fight against climate change.

The United States and Europe have always been great friends, and by taking action together, we can enhance our efforts to preserve our environment and boost our economies. Through the exchange of innovative technologies, policies and more, we can lead the way and encourage our mutual growth.

Great progress has been made at all levels of government to tackle climate change. In 2008, I invited other governors to join me in co-hosting the Governors' Global Climate Summit, which aimed to build on the advancements that have been made by states and provinces throughout the world. Then in 2009, California again hosted delegates from around the globe to broaden the cooperative efforts to preserve our environment and pump up commerce. However, there is still work to be done, and it is through teamwork that we can make new progress. Now is the time to move forward together.

Additionally, I applaud the Heinrich Böll Stiftung for this outstanding project. They have long recognized the need for our world community to unite in order to protect our planet and stimulate a sustainable economy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arnold Schwarzenegger".

Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor of the State of California



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