

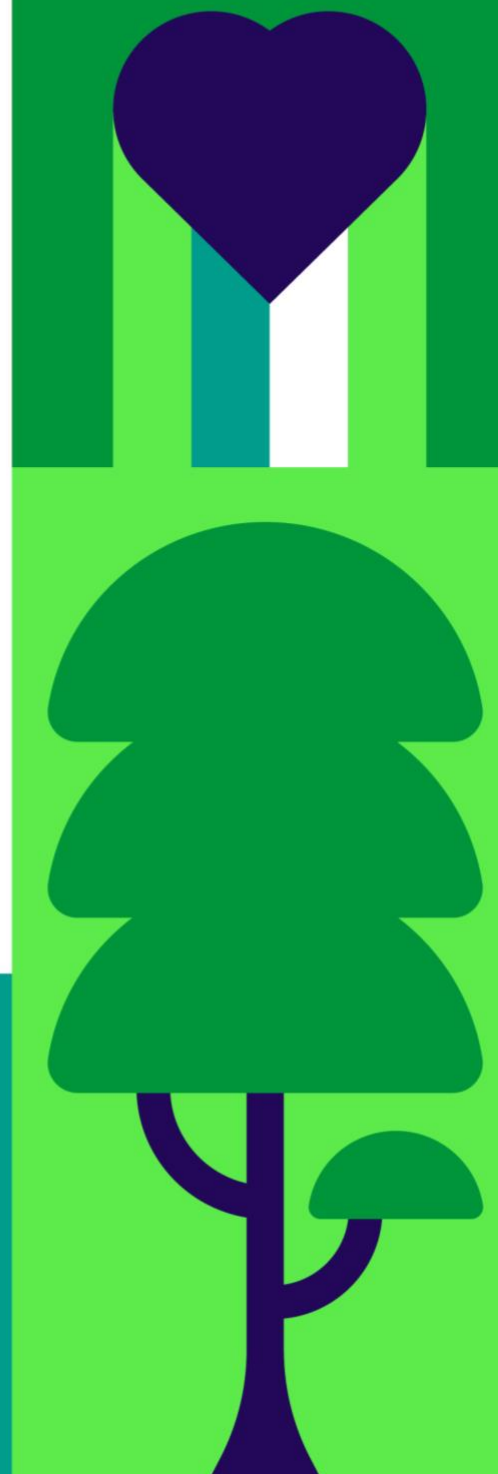
# The Climate Connection

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# COP29 Programme

**Azerbaijan**

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## Programme

The British Council's programme for the Conference of Youth **COY19** and UNFCCC Conference of Parties **COP29** represents a diverse schedule of activities that includes side events, exhibits, performances and interactive speaker sessions and much more. Through our focused programme, we will collaborate with our strategic partners and young people to highlight the role of education and arts and culture in addressing climate change and to share learning from global best practice.

### Saturday 9 November (COY19)

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/name	Content
11.15–12.15  Sharg Ballroom 3rd floor JW Marriott Absheron Hotel	YOUNGO	<b>Interactive Workshop:</b> Defining Key Youth Skills for an Inclusive Transition	Presenting insights from British Council research on youth and climate, as well as YOUNGO's just transition working group. The session will also introduce a new youth led campaign – 'the Hive', which aims to build a global picture of the skills young people need for an inclusive transition to greener economies.

### 11–22 November

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/name	Content
<b>Online Course</b>	University of Edinburgh and Learning for Sustainability Scotland	<b>MOOC:</b> Learning for a Sustainable Future – Live at COP29	Two-week online course that provides 'live' insights into the challenges being discussed at COP29, as well as responses to the conference themes from children and young people, community groups and ministerial bodies, both nationally and internationally.

### Week one: 11–16 November

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/name	Content
<b>Blue Zone</b> Exhibit Booth 7	International National Trust Organisations: INTO & National Trust (NT)	<b>Exhibition:</b> featuring content from INTO, NT and the British Council	Showcasing how the British Council and our partners are developing creative solutions to climate-related challenges through arts, culture, education, nature recovery and capacity building.



## Day one: Monday 11 November

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/name	Content
<b>15.00–16.00</b>  <b>Blue Zone</b> UK Pavilion	Exeter University	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> In a Climate Crisis: Uniting Education, Science and Culture through Innovative Creative Approaches, showcasing the 'We Are the Possible' international award-winning programme	Presenting an update on the British Council's new climate change strategy and showcasing how the 'We Are the Possible' programme connects science, education, culture and the arts through stories, theatre and the Schools Across the Ocean initiative. In collaboration with Khazar University and Duniya School.

## Day four: Thursday 14 November

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/name	Content
<b>18.30–19.30</b>  <b>Green zone</b> Extreme Hangout	Doc Society	<b>Screening:</b> Climate Stories Playlist	Showcasing three short films from The Climate Story Playlist, which is a partnered touring programme with Doc Society. The British Council's Touring Film Programmes are film packages curated with a variety of UK film industry partner organisations and range from documentary, drama and animation to award-winning short and feature films, and include films exploring different themes or targeting specific audiences. They are part of our core, year-round programme of film activities.

## Day five: Friday 15 November

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/name	Content
<b>18.00–19.30</b>  <b>Green zone</b> Extreme Hangout	Exeter University, Khazar University and Duniya School	<b>Theatre Performance:</b> Bright Light Burning: Sustainable Theatre for Climate Action	'Bright Light Burning' is a sustainable theatre performance designed to communicate the urgency of climate action through artistic expression. It highlights how arts and culture contribute to climate action. Supported by the British Embassy and The Great Challenge Fund.



## Day six: Saturday 16 November

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/name	Content
<b>16.00–17.30</b>  <b>Green zone</b> Youth House (Ministry of Youth and Sport Pavilion)	Scotland Beyond Net Zero	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> Universities Tackling Climate Change – spotlight from Scotland Beyond Net Zero.	Focusing on how universities are tackling climate change, with a focus on how Scotland beyond Net Zero are addressing themes that include climate finance, global sustainability leadership, learning for sustainability and the contribution of university alumni. The session includes an opportunity for UK Alumni to network and an insight into the Global MOOCs – Living for a Sustainable Future and Live at COP29.

## Day seven: Sunday 17 November

Time/venue	Partners	Activity type/ name	Content
<b>09.00–16.00</b>  European Azerbaijan School	European Azerbaijan School	<b>Event:</b> Schools Climate COP Simulation.	The Schools Climate COP Simulation, part of our Schools Connect programme, is a role-playing game premised on a fictitious international climate summit. A facilitator plays the role of a UN leader, while each participant plays the role of a delegate representing a specific nation, negotiating bloc, or, in some cases, an interest group.

## Day eight: Monday 18 November

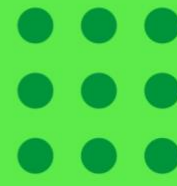
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<b>12.30–13.45</b>  <b>Green Zone</b> Youth House (Ministry of Youth and Sport Pavilion)	SOS-UK (Students organising for Sustainability)	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> Developing Young Peoples' Green Skills to Accelerate a Net Zero Transition.	Exploring how young people in the UK and globally are working alongside policy makers and through hands-on research to enhance development of green skills.
<b>15.00–16.30</b>  <b>Green Zone</b> Youth House (Ministry of Youth and Sport Pavilion)	Exeter University	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> Climate Education (with a focus on the Schools Across the Ocean project).	Featuring research and policy insights, and showcasing creative and innovative approaches in the Schools Across the Ocean initiative – a collaboration with Khazar University and Duniya School.



<b>18.00–19.00</b>  <b>Blue Zone</b> Pakistan Pavilion	Prime Minister's Youth Programme and Education Above All Foundation	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> Empowering Young Pakistanis as Climate Leaders.	Showcasing achievements of programmes implemented by the Government of Pakistan, the British Council and partners to engage young leaders in climate action. Engaging in meaningful conversations between policymakers, practitioners and young leaders to identify creative and sustainable mechanisms for including youth in climate action.
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## Day nine: Tuesday 19 November

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TBC <b>Blue Zone</b> Qatar Pavilion	Education Above All Foundation	<b>Panel Discussion and Youth-Led Project Presentations:</b> Empowering Youth for Climate-Resilience: Kenya, Pakistan and Vietnam	Showcasing how education for climate action projects empower young people to lead climate initiatives that contribute to green communities and sustainable development. The session will discover practical approaches to fostering food security and climate resilience. The session will engage young people from marginalised and climate-affected communities, providing them with a platform to showcase their work and learn from global best practices.
<b>13.30–14.40</b>  <b>Blue Zone</b> Digital Innovation Pavilion	Entertainment and Culture Pavilion Foundation	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> COP as a Catalyst for Creative Climate Action	Highlight the power of COP as a creative catalyst for the cultural sector to engage in the space of climate and environment.
<b>16.00–18.00</b>  <b>Green Zone</b> Arts Pavilion (COP Presidency Pavilion)	Exeter University; Khazar University; Duniya School	<b>Theatre Performance:</b> Bright Light Burning: Sustainable Theatre for Climate Action	‘Bright Light Burning’ is a sustainable theatre performance, designed to communicate the urgency of climate action through artistic expression. It highlights how arts and culture contribute to climate action. Supported by the British Embassy and The Great Challenge Fund.



## Day10: Wednesday 20 November

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<b>Blue Zone</b> UAE Pavilion	Ministry of Culture, UAE	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> Culture-Based Climate Action	With the aim of developing a UAE national policy on culture-based climate action, the Ministry of Culture is collaborating with the Ministry of Climate Change and Environment and the British Council to ensure a science-backed and evidence-based process. This session will include the sharing of objectives and a proposed approach of the new 'Culture-Based Climate Action' baseline study, with a focus on the UAE cultural sector with the broader aim of sharing learning and recommendations with other counties.

## Day11: Thursday 21 November

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11.30–13.00 <b>Blue Zone</b> Side Event 1 Room	International National Trust Organisations: INTO and National Trust	<b>Panel Discussion:</b> Cultural and Educational Responses to Climate Change– Supporting Adaptation, Resilience and Youth Agency	Bringing to life research and practice on how education and culture can improve climate literacy and skills, protect heritage at risk and inspire hope and action in young people, creatives and communities worldwide to tackle the climate emergency and invigorate nature recovery.

