

Speaker Biography Theo Mitchell Senior Advisor to the Bellona Foundation



Theo Mitchell is a Senior Advisor to environmental NGO, the Bellona Foundation, Director of climate policy consultancy, Enerfair Engagement, and Head of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Renewable and Sustainable Energy (PRASEG).

Formerly Head of Office for Ian Duncan MEP - now Lord Duncan, Minister for Climate Change in BEIS - Theo has played a major role in shaping European climate and energy policy. He Chaired technical trilogue negotiations between the EU institutions on phase IV of the Emissions Trading System and was heavily involved in developing the European Parliament positions on COP23, Energy Union Governance, energy market

design, and on the non-ETS Effort Share Regulation.

At the Bellona Foundation, Theo is working to establish the UK's largest NGO campaign on industrial decarbonisation to date. Encompassing everything from economic analysis and policy advocacy through to communications and political engagement, Bellona's programme aims to put net zero industrial strategy at the heart of UK efforts to tackle climate change and ensure that government's CCUS policy is as socially-just and environmentally-robust as possible.

In previous roles, Theo co-authored the Hampshire County Council Energy Strategy, was Policy Manager at the Carbon Capture and Storage Association, and ran a climate change programme at environmental NGO, SEED Madagascar, based in Fort Dauphin. He is a post-graduate mentor at the University of Birmingham and the incoming Treasurer of Newport Golf Club (Isle of Wight).