

JUST TRANSITIONS RESEARCH

NEWSLETTER

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Dear colleagues,

At the Centre for Employment Relations, Innovation and Change, we have been researching decarbonisation, net zero and Just Transition with a focus on work, employment and skills.

We have a series of briefs, reports and podcasts on this topic and this newsletter updates you on where you can find our results through events and reports.

We are continuing to develop outputs including open access learning, more on this in future editions!

If you have any questions or comments about our work in this area, please get in touch.

With best wishes,
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Hybrid event on Global Just Transitions findings: Brussels on June 5th, 2025, you are very welcome to join us in person or online where we will share examples of Just Transition from across the world at an event co-organised by the European Trade Union Institute, Hans Böckler Foundation, and partners, which will take place in Brussels. Please register here: [Labour, Climate Policy and Just Transition: Global Perspectives](#). We welcome delegates from European trade unions and union confederations, affected trade unions, policymakers, think-tank representatives and academics with related research interests.

UK Just Transition Policy Recommendations: In our latest [Policy Brief](#), as part of the [Just Transition – Global Exploration project](#), we focus on Just Transition in the UK, outlining the actions government and the trade union movement need to take to ensure workers are participating and engaged, and not left behind in a transition to net zero. We suggest a roadmap for a fair and just transition in the UK that includes:

- Creating a Just Transition Observatory to make Just Transition initiatives known and visible
- Institutionalising collaboration on Just Transition via a national Commission
- Department for Energy Security and Net Zero (DESNZ) and Cabinet level leadership to coordinate just transition
- Creating statutory rights for Green reps
- Expanding Skills Passports to a wider range of sectors
- Engaging workers with climate education
- Creating Transition Labs to channel worker voice
- Developing positive visions of decent green work
- Integrating green employment transitions into industrial agendas



See over for our latest publications on the UK and German cases



Aligning Just Transition for workers and Labour Party Policy [here](#) we set out a review of Labour’s climate policy and the implications for workers



German Trade Unions and Decarbonisation: A Transition to Green Growth, A-Growth or Degrowth?

Link [here](#)



German Elections: Why most political parties aren’t talking about the climate crises

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