

Welcome to the BEIS Bulletin from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. Here's the latest news from BEIS as at 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021:



### Calling all small businesses to lead the charge to net zero

The Together for Our Planet 'Business Climate Leaders' campaign encourages small and micro businesses to commit to cutting their emissions in half by 2030 and to net zero by 2050 or sooner through the new [UK Business Climate Hub](#).

Small businesses can use the hub to find practical tools, resources and advice to understand their emissions and develop a plan to tackle them, as well as providing ideas for steps they can take. The campaign was [launched on Friday by the Prime Minister and Business Secretary](#). You can help support the campaign by [sharing information from the stakeholder toolkit](#) with the SMEs you work with.



### New vaccine toolkit for employers

The [Department for Health has launched a new toolkit for employers](#) to help ensure employees get reliable information about COVID-19 vaccines. Several major businesses, including Asda, IKEA and Santander, have already pledged to promote vaccine uptake with their employees and to allow flexibility for staff to get vaccinated during work hours.

[Access the toolkit](#) to get materials for you to run internal awareness campaigns promoting the benefits of vaccination, including key messages, posters, fact sheets and videos providing accurate up to date information. The government is calling on as many employers as possible to join the campaign and support the efforts to continue to bring the nation out of lockdown.



### £166 million cash injection for green technology and 60,000 UK jobs

The green technology required to help the UK meet its world-leading climate targets has been given a £166.5 million cash injection, just 6 months on from the publication of the Prime Minister's [10 Point Plan for a Green Industrial Revolution](#).

The multi-million pound investment, awarded to innovators, businesses, academics and heavy industry right across the UK, will accelerate the delivery of the critical game-changing technologies needed to further drive Britain's climate change ambitions, while creating over 60,000 jobs across the UK.

You can find out more information on how this investment will take the UK closer to delivering on our ambitious climate commitments by [reading the GOV.UK story](#).



### **Business Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng visits Rolls Royce's plant in Derby**

Kwasi Kwarteng [visited Rolls Royce's](#) jet engine factory in Derby to attend the official unveiling of their new jet engine test facility, the largest in the world.

The completion of the project, after almost three years of construction and a £90m investment, is a major milestone for Rolls Royce and the UK's world class aero engineering sector, as it looks to bounce back as the civil aviation market recovers.



### **SMEs - Enter the United Nations' competition on transforming food systems today**

The UN Food Systems Summit competition 'Best Small Business: Good Food for All' will identify the best SMEs from across the world transforming food systems for a better tomorrow.

The competition closes for applications on 6 June 2021 and any business can apply if it has between five and 250 employees and plays a role in any aspect of food value and supply chain. It's a great opportunity for small organisations to get publicity, plus a share of a £100K prize!

[Apply for the competition today.](#)

#### **Other news:**

- [Business Secretary names top business brains set to boost Help to Grow: Management scheme](#)
- [UK secures historic G7 commitments to tackle climate change and halt biodiversity loss by 2030](#)
- [New round of funding to support innovation in every corner of the UK](#)
- [World's first remote offshore rescue service among robotics projects backed by government](#)
- [Dedicated government team to protect researchers' work from hostile activity](#)

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- [Find out how to make your workplace COVID-secure](#)
- [Read the roadmap: what is changing and when](#)
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