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DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC LECTURE

on the theme:

“THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY”



SIR DAVID KING

Chair of the Climate Crisis Advisory Group
Former Chief Scientific Adviser to the UK Government



ZACK KING

Director of the Climate Crisis Advisory Group
(CCAG)



TUESDAY, 10 MARCH 2026



5:00 PM



IMAGINARIUM, SAVITRI JINDAL FACULTY OFFICE BLOCK, GROUND FLOOR

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE



WELCOME ADDRESS

5:00 PM – 5:10 PM

JUSTICE MICHAEL DAVIS WILSON

Eminent Jurist & Distinguished Professor of Law



INTRODUCTION TO THE THEME

5:10 PM – 5:20 PM

PROF. (DR.) ABHIROOP CHOWDHURY

Professor and Dean
Jindal School of Environment & Sustainability



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5:20 PM – 6:00 PM

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SPECIAL ADDRESS

6:00 PM – 6:10 PM

ZACK KING

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Q/A SESSION

6:10 PM – 6:20 PM



CONCLUDING REMARKS & VOTE OF THANKS

6:20 PM – 6:30 PM

PROF. DABIRU SRIDHAR PATNAIK

Professor and Registrar
O.P. Jindal Global University

ABOUT SIR DAVID KING & ZACK KING

Sir David King is one of the world's most respected climate scientists and science advisers. He is Chair of the Climate Crisis Advisory Group (CCAG), providing strategic leadership to a global network of experts focused on translating climate science into decisive policy action. Sir David served as the UK Government's Chief Scientific Adviser from 2000 to 2007, where he was instrumental in placing climate change at the centre of national and international policy discussions, including elevating it onto the agenda of the G8. He later founded and chaired the Centre for Climate Repair at the University of Cambridge, focused on large-scale solutions to restore the climate system. Across his career, Sir David has advised multiple governments, the United Nations, and international institutions on climate risk, mitigation, and systemic responses to global threats. He is widely recognised for his clear-eyed approach to climate risk, his emphasis on scientific integrity, and his leadership in shaping credible pathways that integrate emissions reduction, resilience, and responsible innovation.

Zack King is Director of the Climate Crisis Advisory Group (CCAG), a science-to-policy platform working with leading climate experts to support credible, evidence-led climate action. Within CCAG, Zack has led the organisation's work on voluntary carbon markets, shaping science-led analysis and strategic advice focused on integrity, governance, and the role of carbon markets as credible climate finance rather than offsetting tools. Alongside CCAG, Zack leads Impact Strategies Group (ISG), a UK-based advisory consultancy supporting corporates, financial institutions, and philanthropies on climate risk, transition credibility, and high-integrity climate finance. Through ISG, he has worked closely with a leading global financial advisory firm on voluntary carbon market strategy, including market integrity, governance reform, and the alignment of carbon finance with real-economy decarbonisation. Zack has extensive experience convening senior policymakers, scientists, and market actors at major global moments including COPs, London Climate Action Week, and New York Climate Week, and is known for building trusted bridges between science, policy, and finance to support credible climate action at scale.