# Climate Change for Trade Unionists

**PCS Union** is hosting two courses on climate change, created specially for trade unionists by the **Climate Outreach and Information Network** (COIN), working with **Ruskin College**. COIN is the leader in the field of ommunicating climate change and Ruskin College is recognised nationally for its track record of education for trade unionists over many years.

**These courses are open to any trade union member. The courses are free and are available on a 'first-come-first-served' basis. Book immediately to avoid disappointment (there are only 25 places on each course).**

## Climate Change Condensed

*Monday 15th September 4:30 – 8:00pm*

This is the first course in Britain created specially for trade union members that covers 'all you need to know about climate change' in just three hours. There is plenty of discussion and debate along the way. You are guided through the issues by videos of experts – including scientists, campaigners and TU activists.

The workshop covers the causes and impacts of climate change, the need for adaptation, the scientific and political consensus, the international carbon budget, large-scale solutions and carbon emissions. It also asks questions like: What should the TU movement be going for in negotiations? How should the movement respond to a low carbon future? How can trade unionists obtain the benefit of the low carbon future?

## 'How to win the climate change argument in a 15 minute tea break'

*Monday 22nd September 4:30 - 8:00pm*

**How do you persuade colleagues that climate change is real and serious? How do you overcome denial?**

*"It's all China's fault". "They just want to put up taxes". "The real reason for climate change is solar flares, I saw that programme last year".* This course arms you with ways to respond to these views. You work together to develop powerful arguments for action. The course pays particular attention to finding ways to respond to people who either just don't want to believe in climate change or don't want to act on it.

**Please fill in the attached form and send it to:**

COIN, The Old Music Hall, 106 - 109 Cowley Road
Oxford OX4 1JE or email it to info@coinet.org.uk

### The venue:

PCS learning centre, Douglas Houghton House,
231 Vauxhall Bridge Road, LONDON SW1V 1EH
Tel: 020 7801 2700

### How to get there:

The building is about five minutes walk from Victoria rail, underground and bus stations. It is on the right hand side of Vauxhall Bridge Road (heading away from Victoria Station towards Vauxhall Bridge), just beyond the junctions with Gillingham Street and Gillingham Row. It is easiest to leave Victoria station by Exit 2 which brings you out on Wilton Road. The PCS building is located right next to the Queen Mother Sports Centre, set back behind black railings. Please ring the buzzer and wait for a reply. The PCS learning centre is on the third floor.

# Application Form
# 'Climate Change for Trade Unionists'

Organising and Learning

## Course details

**Which course do you want to attend? Please tick. (These courses will be oversubscribed, please only apply if you can definitely attend)**

**'Climate Change Condensed'**: Mon 15th Sept 2008, 4:30pm – 8:00pm ☐

**'How to win the climate change argument in a 15 minute Tea Break':**
Monday 22nd Sept 2008, 4:30pm – 8:00pm ☐

## Personal details

Surname Forename
Address (for mailing)

Postcode
Please indicate whether this is your work or home address: Work ☐ Home ☐
Daytime Telephone no E-mail

## Monitoring details

Age: Date of birth: Gender: ☐Female ☐Male

Ethnicity:
☐Asian: Bangladeshi
☐Asian: Indian
☐Asian: Pakistani
☐Asian: other
☐Black African
☐Black Caribbean
☐Black other
☐Chinese
☐Mixed ethnic background
☐White

Do you consider yourself to have a disability? ☐

## Other details

Union Union post:?

Please state any special requirements:

Please state any conditions of which the course organiser should be aware:

Signature: Date:

**Please return to: COIN, 106-108 Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 1JE or email to info@coinet.org.uk**