

# International Cooperation and the Transformation of National Interests

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# Why are we stuck?

- Global governance is a global public good (Sandler, Barrett)
- National Positions tend to be collective action problems (Victor, Schreurs)
- North/south differences and perceptions of equity (Victor, Roberts & Parks)
- International Science policy and the limits of the IPCC (Haas, Edenhofer)
- Science wars in the USA and UK (Bradley, Oreskes)
- Science Communication (Boykoff)
- Public Opinion & Partisan Politics (Leiserowitz)
- Energy subsidies (IEA, Haas)



# Building Blocks for Better governance and transforming states understanding of national interests

- How to escape the trap of climate politics?
- Transform national understandings of their interests away from collective action traps and free riding.
- Radically transform the IPCC to improve its legitimacy, the utility of its information, and channels to target audiences.
- Mobilize transnational forces including finance capital, renewable energy sector, insurance industry, NGOs to popularize the issue, promote more energy efficient r&D, and replace fossil fuel subsidies with renewables subsidies.
- More attention to equity and fairness in collective bargaining at the international level.
- What does science policy look like in India?
- Pragmatist Methods for research and policy: elite interviews, focus groups with industry groups and policy makers
- For more see Biermann et al 2012 “Transforming Governance and Institutions for Global sustainability” *Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability* 4: 51-60; Biermann et al 2012 “Navigating the Anthropocene” *Science* 16 March: 1306-7.

