

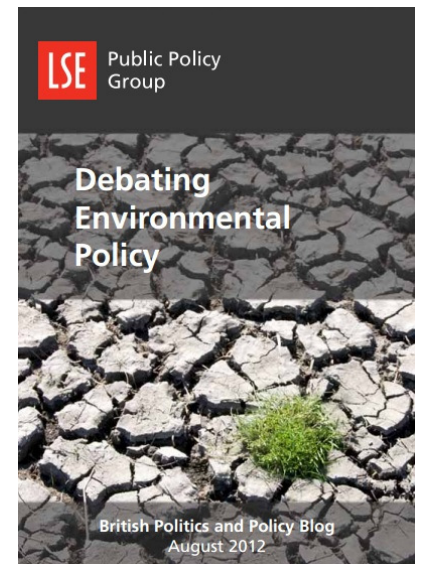
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Policymakers in developed economies and emerging markets alike are increasingly concerned about the catastrophic implications of climate change and are beginning to work towards building a more sustainable future on an increasingly crowded and resource-hungry planet.

[Scientific consensus](#) now estimates that, at current yearly levels of Green House Gas emissions into the atmosphere, average surface temperature will increase by 2 to 4.5 degrees centigrade by the end of the century. The [economic costs](#) of inaction are estimated to be in the areas of 5 per cent of global GDP per year. The risks of inaction are thus enormous and there are sizeable collective action problems that must be overcome. But, as Lord Nicholas Stern [recently remarked](#), the costs of mitigating climate change are manageable and informed public discourse can be a powerful driver in overcoming sluggish policy progress. *British Politics and Policy at LSE* ran a series on Climate Change and Environmental Policy in 2012.

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