

17. RESOURCES: ORGANISATIONS AND NETWORKS

The **Alliance of Religions and Conservation** is a secular body that helps the major religions develop their own environmental programmes based on their own core teachings, beliefs and practices, and to link with key environmental organisations.

www.arcworld.org

A Rocha is a Christian nature conservation organisation, the name coming from the Portuguese for “the Rock,” as the first initiative was a field study centre in Portugal. A Rocha projects are frequently cross-cultural in character, and share a community emphasis, with a focus on science and research, practical conservation and environmental education.

A Rocha UK, 13 Avenue Rd, Southall, UB1 3BL
0208 574 5935

E-mail: uk@arocha.org

www.arocha.org/uk

British Gas

provides *Think Energy Pack* for 11-14 year olds
0207401 4070

www.think-energy.com

The Carbon Neutral Company, based in London, invests in forestry and climate friendly technologies.

www.carbonneutral.com

The **Centre for Alternative Technology** works to develop solutions to problems of sustainability. Through its publications, catalogue, website and centre it provides information, materials, and demonstrations of tried and tested ways of living in a more environmentally friendly way.

Centre for Alternative Technology, Machynlleth, Powys,
SY20 9AZ

01654 705950

www.cat.org.uk

Centre for Sustainable Energy

CSE seeks sustainable energy solutions that engage people and communities to meet real needs for both environmentally sound and affordable energy services. It works with individuals and organisations from public, private and voluntary sectors on a wide range of initiatives at local, regional and national level.

www.cse.org.uk

Christian Aid is a major player in the Make Poverty History campaign but produced materials in 2006 under the title 'Making Poverty Permanent'. That is the possible consequence of climate change. Christian Aid is involved in working to make a difference.

Local rep: Elizabeth Perry

01935 850849

eperry@christian-aid.org

www.christianaid.org.uk

Christian Ecology Link is a multi-denominational UK Christian organisation for people concerned about the Environment. It provides information, mutual support and regular publications.

CEL is both a network and a campaigning organisation.

CEL, 3 Bond Street, Lancaster, LA1 3ER.

www.christian-ecology.org.uk

Church of England

For information on the Church of England's national activities and views on the environment go to:

www.cofe.anglican.org/info/socialpublic

Climate Care is a carbon offset organisation that invests in energy efficiency, renewable energy and forest restoration projects.

www.climatecare.org

Co2balance is a carbon offset organisation based in Taunton which invests in tree planting and has land in the South West.

www.co2balance.com

The Conservation Foundation provides a means for people in public, private and non-profit sectors to collaborate on environmental causes. Its regular newsletter *Parish Pump* provides a wealth of helpful information and is sent to people who have signed up as local activists, or 'Parish Pumps'.

The Conservation Foundation, 1 Kensington Gore,
London, SW7 0AR.

www.conservationfoundation.co.uk

Eco-congregation is a programme supported by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. It provides an ecumenical environmental toolkit with resources, support and an award scheme to encourage churches to weave creation care into their life and mission.

Eco-congregation, The Arthur Rank Centre, Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire, CV8 2LZ. Tel. 024 7669 2491. E-mail: ecocongregation@arocha.org
www.ecocongregation.org

The **Eco-Schools** programme provides a simple framework to enable schools to analyse their operations and become a more sustainable and more stimulating place in which to learn.
www.eco-schools.org.uk

The **Environment Agency**
Government Department for environmental matters
<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/>

European Christian Environmental Network (ECEN) helps the churches and other Christian groups in Europe engage in a broad range of environmental work by sharing information and common experiences, encouraging each other as a united witness in caring for God's creation and reflecting a wide variety of church traditions.
www.ecen.org

Friends of the Earth is a national campaigning organisation and network. *'Friends of the Earth inspires solutions to environmental problems which make life better for people.'*
www.foe.co.uk.

Global Footprints
provides resources for children
www.globalfootprints.org/

Greenpeace is a high profile international campaigning organisation. *'Greenpeace exists because this fragile Earth deserves a voice. It needs solutions. It needs change. It needs action.'*
www.greenpeace.org

John Ray Initiative is an educational charity organising events and courses and providing resources and briefing papers which connect the environment, science and Christianity.
www.jri.org.uk

Operation Noah is the climate change campaign of the UK churches.
www.operationnoah.org

Planet Energy
DTI website resource for 7 – 16 year olds
www.dti.gov.uk/renewable/ed_pack

SAGE is a group of Christians from a number of churches in the Oxford region with a particular concern for our Lord's Creation and producing newsletters, arranging walks, running courses, developing worship materials, and more: plenty of ideas to help you develop your own.
www.sageoxford.org.uk

Somerset Wildlife Trust works to manage 80+ nature reserves, protect rare and threatened species, monitor plans and developments and stand up for wildlife conservation, work with landowners, local business and government for the benefit of wildlife and to promote sustainable living.
Somerset Wildlife Trust, Tonedale Mill, Tonedale, Wellington, TA21 0AW
www.somersetwildlife.org

TEAR Fund
Christian action with the world's poor must now mean living responsibly in a world of climate change. TEAR Fund has ideas, links, helpful materials and a campaign to support. See the booklet *For Tomorrow Too* for other resources.
www.tearfund.org