

Japan and the UK



**Towards Real Collaboration on
Environment and Energy**

(Through the IEEI)



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Professor David Cope, former Director,
Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology,
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“There is an increasing recognition in Japan that we can learn more from the UK's energy policy than from any other country” –

Sumiko Takeuchi, Chief Researcher,
International Environmental Economics
Institute, Tokyo



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The UK can also learn much from Japan



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An unprecedented time in formation
of energy/environment policy in 30+
years

Why?

Environment

Not just climate change

- Local environmental quality
 - Biodiversity
 - Oceans

Climate Policy after the 5th IPCC Assessment

What is missing ... is not science but political ambition, which is ultimately a reflection of public support.

Nature, September 2013

Climate change continued

- The political realism of setting targets, e.g. 2°C
- The language of setting policy
- Greater emphasis on adaptation to potential climatic change

Electricity Market Reform

Fukushima

Ways to take things forward