Update on the activities of the Society for the Environment

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Who we are

The Society for the Environment is a not-for-profit umbrella body which brings together professional institutions from different sectors and licenses them to award the qualification Chartered Environmentalist (CEnv) and Registered Environment Technician (REnvTech).

There are now 24 licensed professional partners, who between them have registered over 8,000 Chartered Environmentalists.
Sustainability through environmental professionalism

We exist to promote the advancement of, the dissemination of, knowledge of, and education in good environmental practice for the public benefit.

Registering and championing environmental professionals
Our Strategic Aims

We know that to deliver our vision, we must stay committed to and focused on delivering our strategic aims. Everything we do must help us represent, promote and support environmental professionals and ensure sustainability through environmental professionalism.

Guarding the Standards for Environmental Professionals

Promoting Environmental Professionals

Facilitating Collective Influence of Environmental Professionals

Maximising Organisational Impact and Sustainability
Recent Activities

How we’ve been working towards our vision
Using our voice

- Responding to Consultations
- Making relevant public statements
- Hosting events
- Responding to Brexit
- Providing solutions for the future
Consultation Responses

Environmental Audit Committee inquiry into domestic delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals

The Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs inquiry into food waste

The Science and Technology Committee inquiry into the implications and opportunities for Science and Research

The Department of the Environment (Northern Ireland) inquiry on the future of Environmental Governance in Northern Ireland

Environmental Audit Committee inquiry into the future of the Natural Environment post-Brexit

Environmental Audit Committee inquiry into HM Treasury and Sustainability
Helping CEEnvs have a voice

- Annual Survey of Environmental Professionals
- Environmentalists urge ministers to consider Microbeads ban
- European Partnership through ENEP
- World Environment Day
People, Politics, Planet: Any Questions?
We supported the BES, RGS and Sibthorp trust in a public debate on the future of environmental policy in the UK following the vote to leave the EU.

Honorary Fellows Workshop
We’re bringing our Honorary Fellows together to bring together all their expertise to help guide our frameworks.

Brexit: What does it mean for the Environment?
Extended special debates on the EU and the environment

Expositions
We joined CIWM at the Resources and Waste Management Expo in Birmingham and will be at the Contamination Expo Series in London.
Developed an evolving policy framework

Prioritised consultation responses to the urgent topics

Hosted events to gain valuable insight

Surveying Environmental Professionals as horizon scanning

Responding to Brexit
Routes to Registration

We are exploring ways in which we can reduce the barriers to registration, whilst still maintaining the high standard of the Chartered Environmentalist Registration.
Benefits of becoming a Chartered Environmentalist

- Public and professional recognition of your competence and professionalism, such as through the Academy of Experts
- Broadened perspective by working with peers
- Increased employability as you’re proven to be at the forefront of environmental best practice and possess transferable skills
- Evidence of continued professional development
More benefits of being a Chartered Environmentalist

- Representation by the Society through our Policy activities
- Access to the European Network of Environmental Professionals, and other groups like the Fit for the Future Network
- Events and seminars
- Industry insights through our new website
Chartered Environmentalists are able to demonstrate

-The theoretical knowledge of the environment to further the aims of sustainability

-Successful application of the knowledge to lead sustainable management of the environment

-Effective interpersonal and communication skills

-A personal commitment to professional standards, recognising obligations to society, the profession and the environment
Eligibility

The Chartered Environmentalist registration is open to anyone able to demonstrate the required professional competences and commitment, as set out in the CEnv Practice Direction. Individuals generally develop these through a combination of education and work experience. Applicants typically have a minimum of four years’ relevant work experience.

The application process for CEnv requires Masters level thinking which is demonstrated either through achievement of a relevant master’s degree or through the submission of written work deemed to be at an equivalent level by the CEnv assessors.
Key Competencies

- Knowledge and understanding of the environment
- Sustainable management of the environment
- Communications and interpersonal skills
- Personal commitment to professional standards
1. Join a Professional body

2. Speak to your Professional body about your plans to apply

3. Complete your written application

4. Submit your application for assessment and for CEnv applicants, attend your interview.

5. Sign the Code of Conduct

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