

# [***The Solent Cluster launched to reduce emissions across the region***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:66SD-T8J1-JD3Y-Y012-00000-00&context=1516831)

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"To form a decarbonisation cluster that spans the public, private and higher education sectors is a monumental step forward for the region.

"It will introduce sustainable fuels for local transportation, the aviation and the shipping sectors; create low carbon energy to heat homes, businesses and public buildings; and open up new highly skilled jobs opportunities."

Anne-Marie Mountifield, Chief Executive of Solent Local Enterprise Partnership said: "Decarbonisation is at the heart of our economic strategy for the area and the creation of The Solent Cluster will sit alongside our ambition to pioneer approaches to climate change adaptation and decarbonisation, linked to our coastal setting, and establishing real expertise which other regions - nationally and globally - can learn from.

"This is an important opportunity to decarbonise the Solent region, and we are proud to be a part of this collaborative effort to significantly reduce CO2 ***emissions*** from multiple sectors," said Dan Ammann, President of ExxonMobil Low Carbon Solutions. "We look forward to working with our founding members and others to develop a compelling project."

The Solent Cluster could enable organisations to bid for government investment support for projects to decarbonise the Solent region and realise the benefits that can flow to the region's businesses and communities.

\*Image, left to right:

Matt Crocker - Senior Vice President of ExxonMobil Low Carbon Solutions

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