



# GLOBAL CLIMATE RESEARCH PRIZE

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# Our purpose

*Rewarding transformative &  
transboundary climate research*



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# What is the Prize?

## the GCRP

The *Global Climate Research Prize (GCRP)* is a biennial environmental award for academic institutions' researchers of any career stage who have already published, top quality research which has transformative and transboundary implications for addressing climate change-induced issues globally within the decade.

The Prize has an unusually broad remit, from advances in atmospheric physics to works of cultural history and literature.



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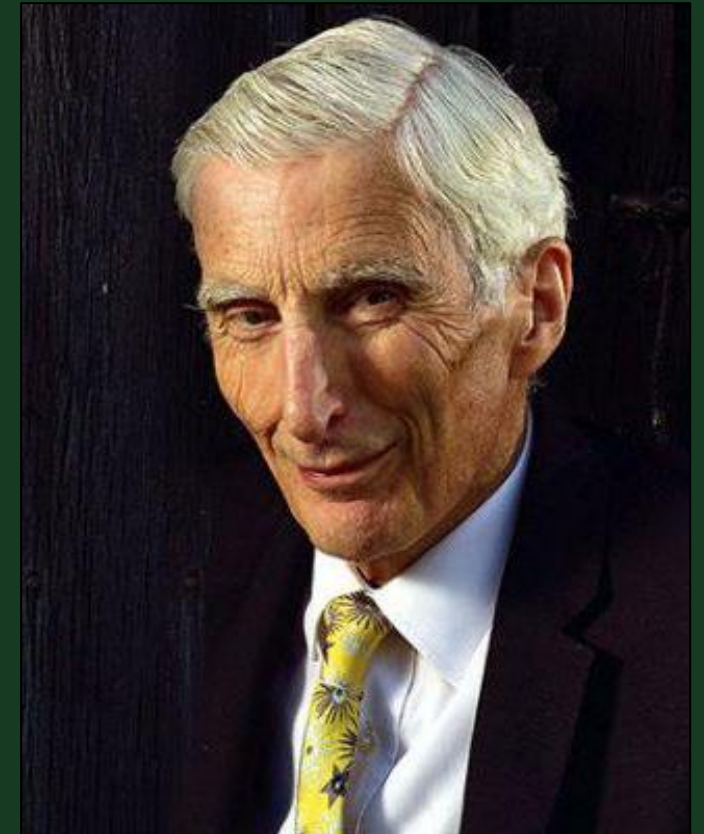
# Prize's Key Co-founders



**Prof. Hannele Seeck**, Professor of Communication Sciences, LUT & Life Member of Clare Hall



**Rector Juha-Matti Saksa**, LUT (left) & **President Prof. Alan Short**, Clare Hall University of Cambridge (right)



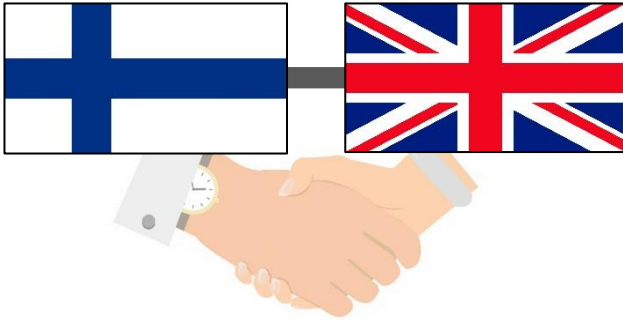
**Lord Martin Rees**, Past President of the Royal Society, Astronomer Royal, Honorary Fellow of Clare Hall Cambridge

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# Origins, Home, & Need for the Prize

## Finland-UK Strategic Partnership, formalized in May 2024



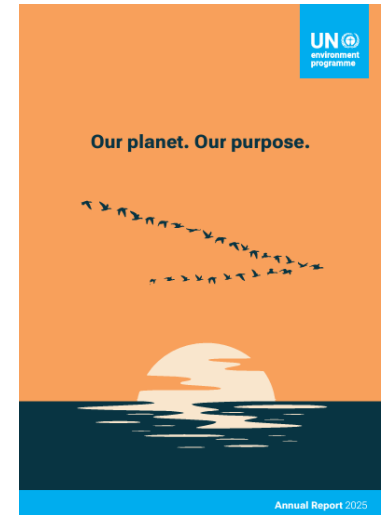
“Building upon a shared legacy of environmental stewardship and innovation, the UK and Finland recommit to continued collaboration on climate action and tackling environmental degradation, biodiversity loss and pollution. We will work together to advocate for greater ambition to tackle climate change, reverse ocean degradation, cease the decline of biodiversity, and mitigate the introduction of pollutants into the environment.”

**Academia, an institution built to endure**  
“Which conversations will still matter in fifty years,  
when today’s climate targets are long forgotten?” -  
Co-founder LUT Professor Hannele Seeck



“If climate treaties can stall and headlines move on, what holds the thread? What endures is long memory: the habit of returning, patiently and together, to problems that outlast generations and the empires of fashion. Universities were designed for that patience. They are among the few institutions built to last, to keep speaking across generations. The Global Climate Research Prize began there: not as a campaign, but as a way to keep a particular conversations going - and to invite others in.”

## Urgent Global Action is Needed



“[The UNEP Annual Report 2025] written by 287 scientists from 82 countries, found that humanity is off track in its efforts to counter climate change, nature loss and pollution.. “Our planet is under strain like never before. Temperatures are rising. Biodiversity is collapsing. And nearly every person on Earth breathes unsafe air.”\* - UN Secretary-General António Guterres



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