

Date
Your Name
Your Address

Insert TD's Name
Office of the Houses of the
Oireachtas, Leinster House,
Dublin 2.

Dear [Insert TD's Name],

As one of your constituents, I'm writing to inform you that I support the Simpol Policy (Simpol) campaign. **This will affect who I vote for at the next election. I will be giving strong preference to ANY candidate - within reason – who has signed the Pledge to implement Simpol alongside other governments.**

Simpol is a range of policies to deal with global problems such as global warming, excessive corporate power, pollution, poverty and so on. But it is to be implemented by nations *simultaneously*, ONLY when all or sufficient governments have pledged to do so. In this way, global problems can be solved without any nation, corporation or citizen suffering a competitive disadvantage. Global warming is one example of how progress is impossible because each nation fears moving alone. As Tony Blair once commented, "The blunt truth about the politics of climate change is that no country will want to sacrifice its economy in order to meet this challenge". But sacrifice *only* occurs if nations fail to move together. That's why *simultaneous* implementation offers a coherent, no-risk solution. More information is available from Simpol's website www.simpol.org (global site) or <http://ei.simpol.org> (Rep. of Ireland site).

I will be voting in this way because I have become concerned that the policies needed to protect society and the environment, nationally and globally, are effectively out of bounds because politicians justifiably fear that their unilateral implementation would mean sacrificing the economy as business and jobs move elsewhere. So global (and many national) problems only get worse. But Simpol now offers us all - citizens, businessmen and politicians alike - a way out of this dilemma.

Politicians of all parties are being invited to make the Simpol Pledge (see form attached). In the UK, it has already been signed by 24 MPs from ALL the main UK political parties and by some MEPs and parliamentarians in other countries, and has the support of the former President of East Timor, Dr. José Ramos-Horta. An outline and strictly provisional list of Simpol's policy measures can be viewed at www.simpol.org.

For you as a politician, signing the Simpol Pledge signifies your intention in principle to implement Simpol simultaneously, only when sufficient other nations do likewise. Until then, you can continue to implement and support your party's existing policies unchanged. Also, Simpol's measures remain strictly provisional: a work-in-progress. So, making the pledge effectively involves you in no risk and yet it gives you access to the potential votes of Simpol's supporters. Making the Simpol Pledge also clearly differentiates those candidates having a practical solution to global problems from those who don't.

So, if you wish to secure my vote at the next election, and the vote of many other citizens in your constituency who also support Simpol, I would urge you to sign the attached Pledge Form and return it to the Simultaneous Policy Organisation (ISPO) at the earliest opportunity. **They will be publicising those politicians who decide to sign the Simpol Pledge and will be informing their citizen-supporters accordingly so they will know who to vote for at the next election.**

I look forward to hearing from you.
with kind regards,



Simultaneous Policy: Pledge Form (for election candidates)

As a candidate for, or Member of, the Dail, I pledge, if elected, to vote in the Parliament/Assembly for the Simultaneous Policy (Simpol) to be implemented when the governments of all, or sufficient, nations have likewise pledged to implement it (hereafter "the Pledge"). I will encourage members of my party to join this effort and to make the Pledge party policy.

Simpol will consist of policies designed to deliver global social justice and environmental sustainability. However, since defining its precise measures is an on-going world-wide democratic process undertaken by citizen-supporters of Simpol under the auspices of the International Simultaneous Policy Organisation (ISPO), I understand that signing the Pledge is only provisional at this stage. Furthermore, since I can cancel my Pledge at any time by notifying ISPO or Simpol-Ireland in writing, signing it represents no irrevocable commitment on my part until such time as the policy content of Simpol has been fully defined, and sufficient other governments have confirmed that they will implement it.

I understand that Simpol-Ireland and ISPO may make my Pledge - and any cancellation of that Pledge - known publicly and particularly to Simpol supporters in my country or region. I am making this Pledge in my own name (not in that of my party*).

Optional public statement in support of Simpol:

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Name (*in block capitals*):

Constituency Party

Address:

Telephone number: Email:

Date: Signature:

Please return this form to: **ISPO • PO Box 26547 • London SE3 7YT**
Tel: +44 20 8639 0121 Fax: +44 20 8639 0123

Note: Your contact details will be held by the Simpol organisation only and will not be published or passed to third parties without prior permission, unless already publicly available.
**The party as a whole can pledge to support Simpol using a different procedure.*

<http://ei.simpol.org>