



CALSTART is a member-based, nonprofit organization working nationally and internationally with businesses and governments to develop clean, efficient transportation solutions. CALSTART's network connects companies and government agencies and helps them do their jobs better, with particular expertise in providing leadership and funding to start-ups and early adopters. From technology firms to transit operators and from vehicle manufacturers to research institutions, CALSTART is connecting every element of the clean energy sector, offering customized services, information, and programming.



John Boesel

CEO

John Boesel is president and chief executive officer of CALSTART, a nonprofit organization dedicated to developing clean, efficient solutions within the transportation sector, with the goal of significantly reducing air pollution, improving public health, and helping to mitigate the effects of global climate change. He assumed this position in 2001, having served as vice president of technology programs since 1993.

Prior to joining CALSTART, Boesel worked as a commercial banker for Wells Fargo in their corporate headquarters. He also served for nearly four years as legislative aide to California Assemblyman Sam Farr, managing energy and environmental legislation.

Boesel holds a Bachelor of Arts in history from the University of California, Davis, and an MBA from the University of California, Berkeley's Haas School. He serves on the UC Davis Institute for Transportation Studies Advisory Board and is a member of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Mobile Source Technical Review Subcommittee.



Stephanie Kodish

Senior Director, Global Drive to Zero

Stephanie Kodish draws on two decades of experience as an environmental and social justice leader spearheading collaboratives and campaigns resulting in the strengthening and implementation of clean air and climate laws and policies to support healthier communities, restoration of public lands and a transition towards a clean, just energy economy.

Before joining CALSTART as Senior Director, Global Drive to Zero™, Stephanie served as Senior Director and Counsel for Clean Air and Climate at National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA) where she oversaw dynamic programs and advanced strategic initiatives to curb air pollution and mitigate the causes and effects of climate change.

Prior to her work with NPCA, Stephanie represented communities overburdened by pollution from coal-fired power plants and oil refineries as Counsel for the Environmental Integrity Project. Stephanie's experience in international environmental policy includes working with a global environmental investment research advisory group where she focused on social and environmental costs of the oil and gas industry and with the World Resources Institute, where she concentrated on systems of legislative representation in support of indigenous community self-determination.

Stephanie holds a Juris Doctor and a Master's in Environmental Law from Vermont Law School, a Bachelor of Arts from the Ohio State University, and is currently licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the District of Columbia. She lives in Knoxville, Tennessee with her three amazing kids and treasured beau. Stephanie is a lover of nature and believes that together we can heal the world.



Sita Holtstag

Europe Director, Drive to Zero

Sita Holtstag joined CALSTART in 2022 as the Europe Director. She leads Drive to Zero's activities in Europe, supporting and advancing the [Global MOU](#), which includes many European nations. Her focus will be on commercial vehicle transformation to zero-emission technologies, emphasizing policy advocacy and industry engagement to strengthen regulations, secure zero-emissions commitments, accelerate infrastructure investments, and scale vehicle deployments.

Prior to joining CALSTART, Sita has spent the past 14 years working for the Dutch government in various roles and government ministries, most recently with their Enterprise Agency and Ministry of Infrastructure leading their international freight and logistics efforts. She has been one of the main driving forces behind the Netherlands' leadership on zero-emission freight vehicles and the close collaboration between CALSTART/Drive to Zero and the Netherlands. Sita Holtstag has a Master's degree in Conflict and Development from the Australian National University and a Bachelor's in International Relations from the University of Groningen.



Trisha Delloiacono

Federal Policy Director

Trisha Delloiacono joined CALSTART in 2022 as the Federal Policy Director, leading efforts in Congress and at key agencies such as EPA, DOE, and DOT. While providing significant support to the US EV Battery Leadership Coalition, Delloiacono is also the lead of the member-funded Federal Policy Action Group. Prior to joining CALSTART, Delloiacono led the American Apparel & Footwear Association (AAFA)'s sustainability and product safety initiatives and was the chief liaison to AAFA's Product Safety Council and Environmental Committee.

Delloiacono spent the previous decade with Moms Clean Air Force/Environmental Defense Fund, working with Members of Congress to advocate for policies that protect children's health, with a special focus on electric vehicle policy. Delloiacono has a proven track record in elevating issues that impact climate. Her work has been recognized by the New York Times, E&E News, Forbes, and the Philadelphia Inquirer, among others, and by congressional leaders such as Vice President Harris, Speaker Pelosi and Leader Schumer.

Delloiacono has an MBA and a BS in Marketing. She serves on the board for the Columbia Center for Children's Environmental Health in NYC and is a member of the Women of EVs global organization, where she is recognized for her work in the transportation sector.