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Other Policy Resources

- An [online course](#), designed and taught by policy experts at MIT, provides an introduction to the policymaking process and practical tips for engaging with the policy community.
- The [Engaging Scientists & Engineers in Policy](#) (ESEP) Coalition empowers scientists and engineers to effectively engage in the policy making process at all levels of government (international, federal, state and local). Their website provides science policy webinars and a database of resources.
- The American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) [Communication Toolkit](#) includes guidance and tips that can improve your public engagement activities.
- COMPASS developed a Message Box tool – a simple yet powerful way to distill complex science into impactful messages for non-academic audiences. The [Message Box Workbook](#) walks through how to use the tool and provides policy-relevant examples. Also, the [COMPASS blog](#) contains resources on policy topics such as writing a compelling 1-pager, crafting a meeting request, or engaging with federal policymakers.
- The [Alan Alda Center for Communicating Science](#) offers workshops and free online learning experiences on topics such as Making your Case to Congress and Knowing your Audience.
- Many professional societies provide resources for engaging with policy. For example:
 - [American Geophysical Union](#)
 - [American Institute of Biological Sciences](#)
 - [American Meteorological Society](#)
 - [Ecological Society of America](#)
 - [International Water Association](#)

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