

EUROPEAN Youth Conference

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Call for co-responsibility

We, the young people, the world citizens, are gathered here in Brussels, in the European “Let’s Take Care of the Planet” Youth Conference in order to reflect on our future, stimulate the decision-makers and make people act on climate change as we do today.

Do you see what we see? Do you feel what we feel? If yes, then show us!

As for us,

- We commit ourselves to create a sense of solidarity regarding environment.
- We feel responsible for the development of renewable energies and to stabilize global warming.
- For a better living, we feel responsible to raise awareness in our community concerning the causes and effects of pollution on biodiversity.
- We feel responsible for the quality of our health and well-being respecting our surroundings.
- We engage ourselves to face waste management problems.

To meet these responsibilities, we will take the following actions:

- We would like to arrange a big free conference on “How to protect our environment for the future generation?”
- We plan to arrange special thematic weeks in schools to educate young people about ecology and climate change.
- We will organize « clean days » with volunteers to clean the territory of our schools and our neighbourhood.
- In order to decrease our greenhouse gas emissions, we commit to use alternative transport whenever it is possible.
- We will organize campaigns to promote energy saving, renewable energies and non-polluting transport and to inform on the risks of using nuclear energy to raise awareness for the stakeholders and local authorities on climate change issues and possible solutions.
- We want to make fundraising events to collect money with which we will grow plants in available places so we can help the future breathe.

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To reduce the effects of climate change, we need your help!

Journalists, we request you to take into account the impact of your messages on the public. We challenge you to write articles on environmental issues which are a concern for the society.

Artists, we request you to be our messengers. We require you to be examples and to use your art to turn words into actions.

Headmasters, we urge you to organise school conferences to which you will invite mayors and journalists to make them realise how big the environmental issues are. Assist us in making a call for factories and local authorities to properly separate trash and recycle.

Representatives of international authorities, we require you to vote binding laws against companies and factories that pollute. We request you to be in closer contact with the people in order to integrate them in the decision-making process. We urge you to allow cooperation at all level of power.

Companies and company leaders, we need you to recycle more and pollute less. We urge you to stop using the programmed obsolescence system.

Representatives of local authorities, we suggest you to finance and organise projects with stakeholders on climate change such as annual conference, cleaning days and campaigns. We urge you to cooperate with other local authorities and local governments to put pressure on national governments in order to solve environmental issues. We urge you to inspect industries more actively in order to reduce pollution.

There is something more powerful than us: Mother Nature! So let's unite our forces and assume our responsibilities and be more sensitive for our present life and future generations.

If not with you, then with whom? If not now, then when?

May 22nd, 2015 in Brussels,
Youngsters from 14 European countries,
Let's Take Care the Planet European Project.

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