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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Modern slavery: Pakistan's latest climate change curse. As Pakistan finds itself in another unpredictable monsoon season, vulnerable farming communities face a resurgence of indentured servitude and other forms of modern slavery. [Read more ...](#)

Growing number of countries consider making ecocide a crime. Mexico latest country where government is considering passing new laws to criminalise environmental destruction. [Read more ...](#)

'We fault the oil companies': TotalEnergies project puts Uganda's sacred natural sites at risk. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

The fruits of Palestine and their symbolism. Beyond their simple colours and shapes, these fruits carry the weight of history, shared culture, and loss. [Read more ...](#)

'Who gets remembered and why?': the exhibition asking uneasy questions about the Atlantic slave trade. Black Atlantic at Cambridge's Fitzwilliam Museum explores how Britain's role in slavery can be seen through its fine art. Rather than giving simple answers, reflection is its aim. [Read more ...](#)

Has Gabon's 'all-powerful' Bongo dynasty really lost its 55-year grip? The coup may have brought an end to the reign of Ali Bongo's immediate family, but analysts say it's still about the elite preserving itself. [Read more ...](#)

'As important as oxygen': Lebanon refugee children return to learning. The economic crisis and lockdowns have led schools to shut and pupils to drop out, but homegrown solutions are emerging to fill the gap. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

Telling Stories: The Humanities in an Age of Planetary Agenda Setting. [Read more ...](#)

Artwork commemorates 60th anniversary of Bristol's civil rights bus boycott. [Read more ...](#)

Things to do ...

Wednesday 6th to Sunday 10th September *Exeter Science Centre's Climate Exhibition* at Make Tank. [Details ...](#) [Book you visit ...](#)

Thursday 7th to Sunday 10th September *British Science Festival* in partnership with the University of Exeter. [Details ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Man Who Lives On A Cruise Ship 300 Days A Year Because It's Cheaper Than Rent Shows Just How Impossible It Is To Survive The Costs Of Living. [Read more ...](#)

The 'false prophet' v the pope: Argentina faces clash of ideologies in election. Javier Milei, a culture war populist and sex coach who won country's open primary, rages at 'communist' pontiff as he sets his sights on becoming president. [Read more ...](#)

Pope Blasts American Catholics for Putting Political Ideology Above Faith. [Read more ...](#)

Ulez expansion: what you need to know – and how to get a charge-free car. The biggest change to London's roads in decades launches on Tuesday. [Read more ...](#)

Panama Canal announces prolonged transit restrictions due to drought. Low water levels have created a backlog of cargo vessels in one of the world's key maritime shipping passageways. [Read more ...](#)

Most people had a fantastic time at Notting Hill carnival, says Met police chief. Sir Mark Rowley condemns 'small number of very dangerous people' as two men remain in hospital after stabbings. [Read more ...](#)

Campaigns

350.org: Labour Party: reject austerity ahead of the next General Election and commit to huge investment in our public services and transformative climate action. [Petition ...](#)

Defund Climate Chaos: Insurance CEO's: it's time to drop the toxic East Africa Crude Pipeline. [Details ...](#)

Rainforest Rescue: Indonesia: NO to the wholesale deforestation of the Mentawai islands [Petition ...](#)

Campaigns Updates ...

Amnesty: Ghana parliament votes to abolish death penalty. [Read more...](#)

Amnesty: Ahmad's story and the monumental achievement of Syrian survivors at the United Nations. [Read more ...](#)