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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Leader of Kenyan waste pickers: 'We are the backbone of recycling'. After a childhood on the dump, John Chweya wants to ensure rights are enshrined in UN plastic pollution treaty. [Read more ...](#)

Which European nations are winning the heat pump race? [Read more ...](#)

Wind is main source of UK electricity for first time. Wind turbines have generated more electricity than gas for the first time in the UK. [Read more ...](#)

Renewable energy projects worth billions stuck on hold. Billions of pounds' worth of green energy projects are on hold because they cannot plug into the UK's electricity system. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

The Palestinians and Israelis embracing peace. Some 15,000 Palestinians and Israelis came together to 'try to break the chain of revenge and hatred' on the day Israel honours its soldiers. [Read more ...](#)

AI machines aren't 'hallucinating'. But their makers are. Tech CEOs want us to believe that generative AI will benefit humanity. They are kidding themselves. [Read more ...](#)

Tens of thousands at US border as Title 42 migrant policy ends. About 60,000 people are waiting to cross into the US from Mexico, officials say, after a pandemic-era border policy expired. [Read more ...](#)

Architect Yasmien Lari: 'The international colonial charity model will never work'. The winner of this year's royal gold medal for architecture has gone from designing corporate buildings to self-build shelters. She talks about shedding her ego, and empowering people to rebuild in the climate emergency. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

Should Pine Martens return to the South West? People across the South West are being given a unique opportunity to give their views on the potential reintroduction of pine martens in the region. [Read more ...](#)

Have Your Say on how the region adapts to climate change. From Tuesday 9 May residents are being consulted on the Climate Adaptation Strategy for Devon, Cornwall, and Isles of Scilly ahead of its publication later this year. [Read more ...](#)

Book ...

Apeirogon by Colum McCann: based on the true story of Rami Elhanan, an Israeli, and Bassam Aramin, a Palestinian who each lost a daughter to senseless violence. [Details ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Why So Many Nations in the King's Realm Want to Say Goodbye. [Read more ...](#)

The Observer view on the coronation of King Charles III: our faith in these magical rituals won't last forever. We need to think about how the monarchy institution sits in a modern and more secular Britain. [Read more ...](#)

Archbishop of Canterbury attacks 'morally unacceptable' small boats bill. Sunak's plan 'fails to live up to our history', says Justin Welby – but No 10 fires back by saying 'nothing compassionate' about allowing people to drown. [Read more ...](#)

Inside a California proposal to pay \$1.2 million in reparations to Black Americans. [Read more ...](#)

Campaigns ...

Change.org: Call for solidarity with Sudanese citizens and civil society organisations: Stop War in Sudan and Bring Peace Now! [Petition ...](#)

Palestine Solidarity Campaign: The NSPCC uses the motto "every childhood is worth fighting for" but their continuing partnership with JCB is making Palestinian children homeless. [Petition ...](#)

350.org: Stop fracking Vaca Muerta! The Mapuche people of Argentina are taking their fight with fossil fuel companies and big banks to their annual general meetings (AGM) starting May 10th. [Petition ...](#)

Global Justice Now: Stop Cowboy Lenders. Right now, countries in debt crisis are being held to ransom by big banks and hedge funds. [Details ...](#)

Campaign updates ...

Avaaz: Nashulai is the first ever community-owned and directed wildlife conservancy. It is blocked from most conservation funds because they're focused on traditional wildlife parks, which displace my people into slums and shanty towns. [Read more ...](#)

East Africa must reject its colonial model of conserving wildlife. 'Fortress' game reserves displaced the Maasai but ignore the pastoralists' role in maintaining wildlife and biodiversity [Read more ...](#)
Tanzania's Eviction of Maasai Pastoralists Continues. [Read more ...](#)

350.org: 4 reasons why BP is the worst – they released quarterly profits of 4 billion pounds. For context, that amount of money could pay for installing solar panels on 625,000 UK houses. [Read more...](#)

Global Justice Now: Impact Report 2022. [Read more ...](#)