



# DDE Newsletter No. 181

## Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Proposed North Yorkshire fracking site becomes source of clean, geothermal energy. [Read more ...](#)

Rich countries should stop pushing fossil fuels on Africa – don't we deserve a renewable future too? Rather than racing to extract natural gas, those who caused the climate crisis should help Africa harness its wind and sun. [Read more ...](#)

'It's not perfect – but it's not dead': the mission to save Lake Maracaibo. The lake in the heart of Venezuela's oil territory is coated with slimy crude and neon green algae. Now fishers, scientists, local people and even human hair are being deployed to clean it up. [Read more ...](#)

Amazon drought exposes ancient rock carvings. The Amazon region's worst drought in more than a century exposed human faces sculpted into stone up to 2,000 years ago. [Read more ...](#)

Climate report: 'Uncharted territory' imperils life on Earth. [Read more ...](#)

## Other News

Democracy in Africa is not a Western imposition. The likes of Kagame and Doumbouya are not being honest – Africans love democracy and want to see it work. [Read more ...](#)

Oil-rich and extremely poor: inside the forgotten 'Abyei box'. In this long-disputed region, stuck in limbo between Sudan and South Sudan, people are grappling with the climate crisis, economic hardships and limited access to healthcare. [Read more ...](#)

Girls in Africa quitting school over cost of living crisis, says charity. Camfed calls for six-year plan to get 6 million girls into school, warning that drop-out rate is limiting children's chances. [Read more ...](#)

St Albans Windrush play aims to 'educate and honour heroes'. [Read more ...](#)

A country journal of a Blackwoman: 'whose blood runs with the tides'. [Read more ...](#)

## Watch and listen ...

ITVX: Pride of Britain: A Windrush Special - Well-known faces, incredible stories - celebrate the Windrush generation. [Watch ...](#)

Radio 4: Understand: Israel and the Palestinians. Katya Adler and guests explain the history and context of the decades-long conflict between Israel and the Palestinians. [Listen ...](#)

## Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

US student, 14, wins award for developing soap to treat skin cancer. Heman Bekele was inspired by Ethiopian workers laboring under the sun, and wanted to help 'as many people as possible'. [Read more ...](#)

Ex-officials at UN farming body say work on methane emissions was censored. Pressure from agriculture lobbies led to role of cattle in rising global temperatures being underplayed by FAO, claim sources.

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Thank you, Poland, for showing faith in EU values under threat from the authoritarian right. [Read more ...](#)

BBC Planet Earth III left viewers in tears on Sunday evening with scenes of soggy flamingo chicks struggling to survive storm surges. [Read more ...](#)

Earth close to 'risk tipping points' that will damage our ability to deal with climate crisis, warns UN. Analysis also warns of further tipping points on horizon such as drying up of groundwater vital for food supplies. [Read more ...](#)

### Local News ...

World may have crossed solar power 'tipping point'. However, ... four "barriers" could hamper this.

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Seeing the future of the Amazon now – blog by Prof Richard Betts, Chair in Climate Impacts, Exeter University. [Read more ...](#)

Plymouth's The Box secures funds for Windrush study. [Read more ...](#)

### Campaigns ...

**Global Justice Now:** Pacific trade deal: don't let companies block climate action. [Details ...](#)

**350.org:** Energy For All is a ground-breaking campaign led by Fuel Poverty Action to ensure everyone everywhere in the UK has access to the energy they need to live decent, comfortable lives. [Details ...](#)

### Campaign Updates ...

**Refugee Council:** Safe passage for people impacted by the violence in Israel and Palestine. [Read more ...](#)

**Medical Aid for Palestinians:** "I've seen kids write their names on their palms, because when they die they want people to know who they are." Mahmoud Shalabi, MAP's Senior Programme Manager in Gaza.

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**Amnesty:** Iran: New wave of brutal attacks against Baluchi protesters and worshippers. [Read more ...](#)

**Everyday Plastic:** Are bioplastics part of the solution or part of the problem? [Read more ...](#)