

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Cookies and candy are latest victims of climate crisis as sugar prices surge. Cost of sugar surges to highest level since 2011 after dry spell in India and drought in Thailand, and price hike has already filtered down to desserts. [Read more ...](#)

Deforestation effect of UK consumption unsustainable, say MPs. Committee finds British consumers contributing particularly highly to destruction of world's forests. [Read more ...](#)

Year in a word: Anthropocene. Scientists warn that climate change, pollution and diminishing biodiversity has pushed the world into a new era. [Read more ...](#)

Uruguay's green power revolution: rapid shift to wind shows the world how it's done. Stung by 2008's oil price spike, Uruguay now produces up to 98% of its electricity from renewables. Can other countries follow suit? [Read more ...](#)

World's tallest wooden wind turbine starts turning. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

'Settlers armed with long rifles, guns, knives and machetes came': West Bank Palestinian family driven from their home. [Read more ...](#)

Gaza women and the isdal robes that shield them as war strips their privacy. Palestinian women and girls are relying on this cover-up garment to help them face the most difficult moments of Israel's war on Gaza. [Read more ...](#)

In Jerusalem's Christian Quarter, 'it doesn't even feel like Christmas'. Jerusalem's Christians describe a bleak Christmas season as they pray for the people of Gaza instead of celebrating. [Read more ...](#)

'It's a time to forget all the stress': Christmas in Africa's largest refugee camp. The UN's reduction in emergency rations has hit many in Uganda's Bidi Bidi settlement hard, but those who have food share with neighbours to keep the festive spirit alive. [Read more ...](#)

Transatlantic slavery continued for years after 1867, historian finds. Evidence found by Hannah Durkin includes ships landing in Cuba in 1872, and people held in Benin in 1873. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

We are Fahlo. We partner with non-profit organizations to create bracelets that come with a real animal to track. [Read more ...](#)

Each Bracelet Comes With a Wild Elephant To Track. A portion of all proceeds are donated to Save the Elephants in Kenya, who specializes in elephants research and works to protect wild elephants. Your purchase will help fight ivory poaching, and secure a future for elephants in a rapidly changing world.

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Long Time, No Chimpan-See? Apes Recall Friends Even After Decades Apart. [Read more ...](#)

'They gave us blankets, helped with a house. It still makes me weepy': how a UK charity helped refugees.

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'We have a responsibility': the older women suing Switzerland to demand climate action. Switzerland's *KlimaSeniorinnen* are taking the government to the European court of human rights for doing too little to tackle the climate crisis. [Read more ...](#)

Purls of wisdom: the wellbeing benefits of knitting and crocheting. Calming, attention-extending and even social, fibre crafts are a feel-good hobby that may even help with pulling through challenging times.

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'Doomsday predictions are a dream for climate deniers. The scientist, whose book *Not the End of the World* offers a data-based analysis of environmental problems and their solutions, on how being informed and engaged can prevent defeatism. 'I thought most of us were going to die from the climate crisis. I was completely wrong'. [Read more ...](#)

Not the End of the World by Hannah Ritchie. [Details ...](#)

Humankind: A Hopeful History by Rutger Bregman. [Details ...](#)

Reams of secret poetry by pioneering British scientist finally come to light. Sir Humphry Davy's unpublished verse ... was found in notebooks alongside details of his groundbreaking experiments.

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Taking flight: why the sky's the limit for a women's birding club in Uganda. The east African country is a birders' paradise, where a group of 80 female birders are pushing boundaries, finding friendship and forging careers in nature. [Read more ...](#)

Cool beans: Why 2024 is set to be the year of the legume. Beans may be small but they are mighty, with a key role to play in feeding the world while fighting climate change. [Read more ...](#)

Website...

Solar Aid is an international charity founded in 2006 to combat poverty and climate change. Through our social enterprise, SunnyMoney, we provide access to solar lights in Malawi and Zambia to help catalyse solar markets with renewable light.

<https://solar-aid.org/about-solaraid/>

Things to do ...

Saturday 13th January to Saturday 9th March at Thelma Hulbert Gallery *Acoustics of Resistance* The first UK showing of this project by artist Mikhail Karikis which explores listening as a form of climate care, solidarity and activism. [Details ...](#)

Monday 22nd January 7pm *Winning a Fossil Free Future* - The international fight against fossil fuels and the case for a global exit plan. Webinar organised by Global Justice Now. [Details ...](#)

Thursday 8th February 6:30pm to 8pm *Understanding Climate & Migrant Justice Workshop* – online session organised by City of Sanctuary [Details](#) and [Further information](#)

Campaigns ...

Greenpeace: Will you be a climate voter? By pledging to be a Climate Voter, you'll help show your local candidates that to get your vote, they need to step up for our future. [Signup ...](#)

Avaaz: Ban the sex-for-water abuse. Imagine being so desperate for water, you'd do anything to get it. That's the situation tens of thousands of women and girls around the world face every single day. [Petition ...](#)

Campaign Updates ...

Debt Justice: 2023: Building solidarity and power with people on the frontlines of the debt crisis. [Read more ...](#)

Greenpeace: 'As we approach the end of the year, these photos reflect some of Greenpeace's most iconic global actions in 2023.' [Look and read ...](#)

Amnesty: From Darkness to Light - Hope for Syria's Disappeared. [Read more ...](#)

War on Want: Fashioning the future: Fixing the fashion industry for workers and climate. [Read more ...](#)

Greenpeace: Veganuary: 7 reasons why meat is bad for the environment. [Read more ...](#)

Global Justice Now: How we took on corporate power in 2023. [Read more ...](#)