



DDE Newsletter No. 220

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Greening the desert: is Sisi's grand plan using up all of Egypt's water? The 'Future of Egypt' envisages turning tracts of desert into farmland to grow crops for export. But with sky-high food price inflation and a water deficit, critics doubt it is viable. [Read more ...](#)

Solar-powered device harvests litres of drinking water from thin air. Breakthrough technology offers solution for arid regions and areas hit by water scarcity. [Read more ...](#)

Rain-related disasters have killed more than 200 in a deadly week across Asia. In India and China, torrential rains have killed more than 200 people in the past week. [Read more ...](#)

Here come the new climate leaders. A mega election year is ushering in a different breed of net zero lawmakers. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

'Under siege in Myanmar's cyber-scam capital. How a resistance offensive upended a Myanmar cyber-scaming hub. [Read more ...](#)

A 'fake, fabricated result': Questions swirl around Venezuela's election. The two leading candidates in Venezuela's presidential race both declared victory, leading to uncertainty and protest. [Read more ...](#)

'Opening horizons': Why Indonesian star Dian Sastrowardoyo champions women. The model turned award-winning actress runs a scholarship fund to help young women get an education and make their mark on the world. [Read more ...](#)

'Our history is intertwined': heirs of Jamaican enslavers apologise to descendants of the enslaved. Emancipation Jubilee event hears apologies, including from the Guardian, in 'important step' towards reparatory justice. [Read more ...](#)

Things to do ...

Tuesday 6th August 6:30pm at Exeter Phoenix Author Caleb Azumah Nelson visits Exeter for City Reads Film Season. [Details ...](#)

Sunday 24th August 9am to 11am *Sounding the Exe* workshops with composer Emma Welton. [Details ...](#)

Saturday 31st August 6:30pm to 9pm African History Reflection Day 2024. [Details ...](#)

Thursday 5th September 1pm *An inside look into Sudan* with Practical Action. [Details ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

World at Lunch ...

Kamala Harris: US Vice President and de facto Democratic Presidential candidate.

[Read more ...](#) [Read more ...](#)

Project 2025 is also a threat to Barbados, Caribbean. [Read more ...](#)

The Mexican women aiding migrants on their perilous journey north. Few people know how perilous the migrant journey across Mexico has become in recent months better than a group of women in the eastern state of Veracruz, known as Las Patronas. [Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

Channel 4: Fleeing Venezuela and forced to leave children behind. [Watch ...](#)

Channel 4: Israel accused of using white phosphorus in Lebanon as tensions escalate. [Watch ...](#)

Local News ...

Artwork from Exeter's Creative Older Women to go on display. [Read more ...](#)

Film screenings at Exeter Phoenix inspired by city's favourite books. [Read more ...](#)

Countries need to co-operate on migration as climate crisis worsens. [Read more ...](#)

Campaigns:

Rainforest Rescue: Philippines: Help us save Palawan's forests! The island of Palawan is a UNESCO Man and Biosphere Reserve – an internationally recognized ecological and cultural treasure. But now the Philippine government is opening vast areas of rich biodiversity and Indigenous land to mining. [Petition ...](#)

350.org: Demand funding and support to renewable energy for communities in Africa. Right now African climate activists are launching REPower Afrika – a campaign to speed up the shift away from fossil fuels to distributed, community-led renewable energy. [Petition ...](#)

Greenpeace: Join our Bee Hero Course, and in five emails, you'll learn how to identify different bee species, create a bee paradise that attracts and supports bees, and be a part of the movement helping to get our planet buzzing! [Details ...](#)

Campaign Updates:

Global Justice Now: BP and Shell's profits over the last year larger than combined GDP of 6 of the Caribbean nations worst affected by Hurricane Beryl. [Read more ...](#)

War on Want: Israel's occupation is illegal, rules International Court of Justice. [Read more ...](#)