



DDE Newsletter No. 229

Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

'It kills everything' - Amazon's indigenous people hit by record forest fires in Brazil. [Read more ...](#)

How the 'Frida Kahlo of environmental geopolitics' is lighting a fire under big oil. Colombian environment minister Susana Muhamad once worked for Shell. Now, as the country gears up to host the biodiversity Cop16, she is calling for a just transition away from fossil fuels. [Read more ...](#)

Why we need to talk about older people and climate change in Africa. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

'It used to be a farm – now it's a mall': how El Salvador's crisis-hit coffee producers are trying to adapt. Coffee once drove the economy but war, migration, climate and disease crippled the industry. Now, a new generation with women at the fore is focusing on quality as the answer. [Read more ...](#)

Africa's small-scale revolution against big agriculture: five farmers talk greener, better food. Devotees of agroecology tell the Guardian about their rejection of chemicals and fertilisers to create diverse and thriving crops. [Read more ...](#)

'Time stopped here on 7 October': life in kibbutz that endured unimaginable loss one year ago. Nir Oz, a 'paradise' now inhabited by just two people, sustained the most damage and bloodshed per capita in Hamas attack. [Read more ...](#)

Dominican Republic says will expel up to 10,000 Haitian migrants a week. Haiti is reeling from deadly gang violence, hunger and instability, prompting the UN to warn against sending people back. [Read more ...](#)

October is Black History Month, but is it time schools taught it all year round? ... but campaigners calling for a more inclusive education system say the subject should not just be "pigeon-holed" into just four weeks every year. [Read more ...](#)

Things to do ...

October: University of Exeter Black History Month: This year the theme is Reclaiming Narratives [Details ...](#)

Tuesday 8th October 6pm to 8pm *Bangladesh Uprising: what next for workers?* Webinar organised by Global Justice Now and Labour Behind the Label. [Details ...](#)

Thursday 7th November to Saturday 16th November *Being Human Festival* Exploring everything from natural landscapes and iconic monuments to famous anniversaries and personal milestones. All events are rooted in humanities research and are led by researchers and staff universities and research organisations. [Details ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Disability rights advocates say adult changing tables prevent humiliating bathroom situations. Iowa DOT committed to including the changing tables in new or remodeled rest area facilities. [Read more ...](#)

A pet cat got lost in Yellowstone. Somehow, it wandered nearly 1,000 miles back home. [Read more ...](#)

Heroes of Heron Emergency Food Centre. [Read more \(p32\) ...](#)

UK agrees to give sovereignty of the Chagos Islands to Mauritius. The deal includes the tropical atoll of Diego Garcia, which is used by the United States as a military base. [Read more ...](#)

US blocks UK from holding court hearing in British territory Diego Garcia. Authorities refused to grant access for judge and legal teams to visit island, where dozens of Tamil asylum seekers are stranded.

[Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

Channel 4: Tuvalu: the fight to save a sinking nation from climate change. Grace Malie ... 25-year-old climate activist has been travelling the world, fighting to stop her atoll island nation being lost to climate change. [Watch ...](#)

Local News ...

Braunton Library project connects resettled Afghan families with countryside and community.

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Ada Lovelace Day is celebrated annually on the second Tuesday of October. This year Exeter University is *Celebrating Women in STEMM* (Science, Technology, Engineering Mathematics and Medicine).

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The scale of technological and social responses to climate breakdown is accelerating, but we have very limited understanding of the potential impacts of these interventions. What does it mean to be responsible? Whose voices are being heard in the conversation? [Read more ...](#)

COP16 – the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity in Cali, Colombia, from 21 October to 1 November 2024. We want to use our science and our innovation to help make COP16 a success.

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Campaigns:

38degrees: Sainsbury's & Tesco: publicly support real action to cut plastic production. [Petition ...](#)

Greenpeace: Campaign for one-off National Renewal Tax on the super-rich in the UK with wealth over £10 million, to call on the 0.1% with the broadest shoulders to help rebuild our country. [Petition ...](#)

Campaign Updates:

International Tree Foundation: Restoring life to the River Lhubiriha: How community-led action is safeguarding a vital waterway. [Read more ...](#)

Practical Action: The Biodiverse Landscapes Fund (BLF) Andes Amazon project is a crucial piece of work ... showcase how the world can address biodiversity loss and climate change. [Read more ...](#)