



# DDE Newsletter No. 237

## Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

‘Optical illusion’: Key takeaways from COP29 at Baku. Climate finance deal criticised at COP29 as inadequate, lacking real money and clear grants for developing countries. [Read more ...](#)

Thirty-five million Africans driven from homes by war and climate disasters. Data shows a threefold increase in internal displacement across the African continent since 2009, with flooding and drought posing a growing threat. [Read more ...](#)

‘You’ve got the grass; you put a cow in it, and Bob’s your uncle’: the ranchers trying to halt the devastation caused by Bolivia’s cattle farms. This year, wildfires driven by ranching burned an area of Bolivian forest larger than Portugal – yet beef is booming. Two sets of pioneers aim to make the industry more sustainable. [Read more ...](#)

## Other News

‘Death in the Air’: Life in Delhi, the world’s most polluted city. India’s capital New Delhi is swamped by smog, and air pollution kills 2 million Indians a year. But some suffer more. [Read more ...](#)

We need to talk about plastic: five everyday items choking the planet. It is one of the world’s most dangerous materials, and global leaders are meeting in South Korea to thrash out a treaty to curb its effects. [Read more ...](#)

Who is Yamandu Orsi, Uruguay’s next president? Left-wing leader considered political heir of ex-President Jose Mujica vows to promote ‘national dialogue’. [Read more ...](#)

How a small Lebanese town became a haven from Israel’s war. The people of Bar Elias say it is their moral duty to host newcomers uprooted by Israel’s invasion. [Read more ...](#)

Sudan's 'invisible crisis' - where more children are fleeing war than anywhere else. Mahmoud is a cheeky teenager ... an orphan abandoned twice and displaced twice in his country’s grievous war. [Read more ...](#)

## Local News ...

Green-fingered youngsters help plant micro-forest in school grounds. The youngsters from Monkerton Community Primary School were joined by local councillors ... for the event, which was organised by Community Interest Company SocieTree. [Read more ...](#)

Dr Kate Moore, from the Camborne School of Mines, has been chosen for inclusion in the 2024 ‘100 Global Inspirational Women in Mining’ publication. She investigates the sourcing and security of supply of the raw materials that are needed for the low carbon energy and transport transition [Read more ...](#)

## Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Donald Trump's Immigration Plans. We explore Trump's mass deportation goals. [Read more ...](#)

KFC drops pledge to stop using 'Frankenchickens' in the UK. Chain says it won't be able to stop buying fast-growing breeds by 2026 because poultry industry cannot supply enough higher-welfare animals.

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How Lost Dogs Find Their Way Home. Every dog lover has heard a variation of the miraculous lost dog story. [Read more ...](#)

'It's not drought - it's looting': the Spanish villages where people are forced to buy back their own drinking water. Spain is increasingly either parched or flooded – and one group is profiting from these extremes: the water-grabbing multinational companies forcing angry citizens to pay for it in bottles.

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Here's what I learned at Cop29. Rows aside, an unstoppable transition to clean energy is happening. Britain wanted much better outcomes on many issues, but seeing the ambition at the conference gives me hope for the future. [Read more ...](#)

Fires, first aid and guns: meet the Finnish women training for war with Russia. Anxious Finns are learning how to survive in the wild in preparation for an invasion by their hostile neighbour. [Read more ...](#)

Labelers training AI say they're overworked, underpaid and exploited by big American tech companies.

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Kenyan workers with AI jobs thought they had tickets to the future until the grim reality set in.

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### Things to do ...

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2pm to 4pm** at Exeter Customs House: Book Club with Fathima Zahra: *How To Say Babylon* by Safiyah Sinclair hosted by Quay Words. [Details ...](#)

### Campaigns:

**Greenpeace:** Protect the Arctic from deep sea mining. Norway is opening the door for deep sea mining companies to carve up an area of the Arctic seabed the size of the UK. This will cause irreversible damage to one of the world's most ancient ecosystems. [Petition ...](#)

### Campaign Updates:

**Debt Justice:** A climate finance COP – or a massive flop? [Read more ...](#) Ugandan climate activist Vanessa Nakate explains how wealthy countries must take responsibility for their climate debt. [Watch ...](#)

**Fairtrade Foundation:** Fairtrade sales outperformed the market during its annual flagship campaign.

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**Global Justice Now:** Why do we need a Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation treaty? [Read more ...](#)