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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

From the US to Uganda, how climate activism has been criminalised in 2024. The global crackdown against climate activists and groups is clearly part of the fossil fuel industry's strategy to crush dissent and keep burning the planet. [Read more ...](#)

Angola's path to prosperity lies in its sun and soil, not its oil. Investing in solar electricity and agriculture can help the country diversify its economy and uplift its rural areas. [Read more ...](#)

Small island nations face climate-induced 'catastrophe', warn experts. First comprehensive study on health and climate change in small island developing states lays bare impact of the crisis and calls for action from richer countries. [Read more ...](#)

Doomscrolling has reportedly made TikTok's annual carbon footprint almost the same as the entire country of Greece. [Read more ...](#)

Top advisers say EU should ban solar geoengineering ... for now. The bloc's scientific advisers say the EU should push for an international treaty regulating the controversial technologies. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

Celebration in Damascus as world leaders discuss challenges facing Syria. The Hayat Tahrir al-Sham armed group has pledged to form an inclusive government but the UN says the situation remains 'fluid'. [Read more ...](#)

No comfort and little shelter in Gaza as nightmare of winter sets in. Displaced residents face acute hardship, fleeing airstrikes and suffering from disease and hunger as temperatures plummet. [Read more ...](#)

Ghana's former President John Mahama wins election. Vice President Mahamudu Bawumia concedes defeat, congratulates former President John Mahama. [Read more ...](#)

'A disaster' A year into Javier Milei's presidency, Argentina's poverty hits a new high. [Read more ...](#)

Local News ...

Nature rich landscapes in Devon and Cornwall selected for two major new artist commissions with the University of Exeter and Natural England. [Read more ...](#)

Exeter rough sleepers fear being housed as temperatures plummet. "I've been doing this 11 years so don't bother" [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

When Disaster Strikes, These Top Charities Actually Deliver. Direct Relief, No. 5 on Forbes' 2024 Top 100 Charities list, quickly delivers medical supplies. World Food Kitchen, No. 82, shows up with the food.

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Biden Announces Largest Single-Day Act of Clemency in Modern History. President to commute sentences of around 1,500 people and pardon 39 others. [Read more ...](#)

Cambridge University urged to apologise over jailing of thousands of 'evil' women without evidence or trial. A 1561 charter granted powers to imprison young working-class women found walking with undergraduates after dark. [Read more ...](#)

The Spinning House: How Cambridge University locked up women in its private prison by Caroline Biggs.

[Details ...](#)

Pine Martens Bounce Back: The Two Moors Pine Marten Project. [Read more ...](#)

Bringing Back Pine Martens. Reintroducing a key member of the woodland family. [Read more ...](#)

Syrian asylum seeker fears homelessness after claim paused. The UK government has paused Syrian asylum claims following the fall of the Assad regime. But the decision has left this family in limbo.

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