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Climate Crisis – Climate Justice

Storm in your teacup: How the climate crisis threatens Kenya's tea trade. Marking Fairtrade Fortnight, tea farmers in Kenya – a country which provides around half of the tea we drink in the UK – tell Nick Ferris that they are increasingly threatened by climate change and chronic poverty. [Read more ...](#)

A global agreement designed to protect the world's oceans and reverse damage to marine life is set to become international law. The High Seas Treaty received its 60th ratification by Morocco on Friday, meaning that it will now take effect from January. [Read more ...](#)

Nations' plans to ramp up coal, gas and oil extraction 'will put climate goals beyond reach'. New data shows governments now planning more fossil fuel production in coming decades than they were in 2023. [Read more ...](#)

African countries push for radical change to tackle climate crisis as key summit wraps up. Nick Ferris reports from Ethiopia's capital, Addis Ababa, where activists back ambitious final declaration at second African Climate Summit – but pile scorn on lack of help from rich nations. [Read more ...](#)

'Food forests are everything': creating edible landscapes helps nature thrive in Afro-descendant lands. Agroforestry systems in Latin America practised by local communities are a boon to biodiversity, according to research. [Read more ...](#)

Other News

'I can't survive in a house': Petra's Bedouin resist moves to evict them from ancient cave homes. Plans to improve the world heritage site for tourists put its living culture at risk, say locals and campaigners. [Read more ...](#)

Trinidadian fishers fear getting caught in the crossfire amid Trump's Caribbean 'war on drugs'. Caribbean governments divided on US warship diplomacy as local fishers worry they could become collateral damage. [Read more ...](#)

Let women lead. From peacekeeping to hunger, health to climate, the world will benefit. As former African presidents, we know the world has no need of more speeches. In a time of crisis, the UN must encourage strong female leadership. [Read more ...](#)

Clashes, arrests as tens of thousands protest corruption in Philippines. President Marcos said in July there were anomalies in most of the 9,855 flood control projects worth more than \$9.5bn. [Read more ...](#)

Topics discussed at Thursday's World at Lunch

Jane Austen's real and literary worlds weren't exclusively white – just read her last book, *Sanditon*. [Read more ...](#)

Can the UK expand airports and still hit climate targets? Plans for a second runway at Gatwick have been approved by the government ... [Read more ...](#)

China makes landmark pledge to cut its climate emissions. China, the world's biggest source of planet-warming gases, has for the first time committed to an absolute target to cut its emissions. [Read more ...](#)

Trump bashes 'con job' climate change during his UN speech and says 'stupid people' have cost countries by buying in. 'If you don't get away from this green scam, your country is going to fail,' he warned the UN General Assembly. [Read more ...](#)

Ben & Jerry's co-founder quits, accusing Unilever of silencing social mission. Jerry Greenfield says he cannot 'in good conscience' continue and says company has lost its independence. [Read more ...](#)

Trump's Policies Are Endangering Your Health. [Read more ...](#)

Watch and listen ...

Channel 4: The forgotten war in Sudan – where kindness exists alongside cruelty. [Watch ...](#)

Channel 4: World's first carbon-neutral cement factory planned for North Wales. [Watch ...](#)

Things to do ...

Sunday 12th October from 10am at Barnfield Theatre *Roots of Us* Encompass presents a fun day of storytelling, dance workshops, arts and crafts (including henna!) and delicious food sampling. [Details ...](#)

6th to 15th November *Being Human Festival* Nationwide festival ... celebrate and demonstrate the ways in which the humanities inspire and enrich our everyday lives [Details ...](#)

Books ...

Heiresses: Marriage, Inheritance and Caribbean Slavery by Miranda Kaufmann. [Details ...](#)

Searching for My Slave Roots: From Guyana's Sugar Plantations to Cambridge by Malik Al Nasir [Details ...](#)

Campaigns:

Avaaz: Aboriginal leaders are demanding justice. Let's stand with Aboriginal communities against the attack at Camp Sovereignty – a sacred site and burial ground for Aboriginal communities in Naarm (Melbourne) in Australia. [Petition ...](#)

Campaign Updates:

Fairtrade: Marbin Asunción Villegas - Coffee Farmer at Sol & Café, Peru. Continuing a legacy passed down through generations. [Read more ...](#)

International Tree Foundation: How avocados are transforming lives in Embu [Read more ...](#)