



International Online Workshop and Panel Discussion

Climate justice – far behind the deadline

The urgency of education and democratic sustainable action.

25 November 2021, 2-4 pm CET (workshop) and 4:30-5:30 pm (panel discussion)

All over the world, people - especially young people - are campaigning for a swift climate policy to secure climate justice for them and for our planet. They are right: The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) stated in August 2021 that the global warming is proceeding much faster than assumed. The United Nations confirmed this in a new report. Countries must increase their climate efforts sevenfold if they want to reach the 1.5-degree target agreed in the Paris climate agreement.

Together with international experts, we want to approach in this online event the following questions: How can we act quickly and effectively in the face of these dramatic forecasts? How can we address and convince governments to create the legal and political framework needed for change? And how can we, despite the urgent need for action, take the time and convince and motivate people and communities to support supposedly inconvenient climate protection measures and become active themselves?

In an **interactive workshop**, we want to take a closer look at how education can contribute to urgent democratic action for global climate protection and what kind of education we need for democracy and sustainability.

In the following **panel discussion**, we will discuss with three experts from the Global South and North from diverse backgrounds - a governmental representative in the COP26 as well as environmental and education activists from civil society - how democracy can contribute to urgent sustainable action for global climate protection.

Both parts of the event will consider economic systems, global interconnections, existing power relations and colonial continuities that have led to global inequalities in the causes and effects of climate change. We also discuss other ways of thinking or even feeling that lead us to a more human, a more community based, and a more sustainable way of living on this planet. And we look at specific local situation and possible actions.

Workshop, 2-4 pm CET:

Climate justice – far behind the deadline. How can education contribute to urgent democratic action?

Moderation / thematic introduction:

Julia Wältring, Verband Entwicklungspolitik Niedersachsen VEN e. V., Germany

Joseph Kenson Sakala, Youth for Environment and Sustainable Development YSD, Malawi

Panel discussion, 4:30-5:30 pm CET

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Moderation: **Joseph Kenson Sakala**, YSD Malawi

Panelists: **Evans Njewa**, Chief Environmental Officer Malawian Government and Malawi UNFCCC Focal Point including COP26 in Glasgow.

Kjell Kühne, “Leave it in the Ground Initiative” and “Ende Gelände” Germany/Mexico

Claudia Gimena Roa Avendano, Fundaexpresión, Colombia

The event will take place in English.

Registration:

Please register under the following links for

- the **workshop AND the panel discussion** www.t1p.de/Climate-justice-workshop-and-panel
- the **panel discussion ONLY** www.t1p.de/Climate-justice-panel-only

You may also register by email to learn2change@vnb.de

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