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Co-chairs and members of the Open Working Group (OWG) on SDGs

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## Supporting a strong and visible representation of climate change in the SDGs

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Your Excellencies,

Dear Members of the OWG on SDGs,

We are writing to thank you for your ongoing efforts to ensure that climate change is appropriately reflected in the latest version of the focus area document.

We believe that climate change is an existential threat to humankind and global efforts to overcome poverty and achieve sustainable development. Therefore, we also believe that climate change must be visibly reflected in the future Sustainable Development Goal framework.

A SDG framework without climate change action as a strong backbone would not be sustainable or credible, nor would it help to lay the foundations for future international action and cooperation on sustainable development and poverty eradication.

Therefore, the framework must address climate change in a manner that recognises the urgency and importance of dealing with the most fundamental challenge of our time. This includes targets under relevant goals as well as a separate climate change goal.

Ahead of the next two meetings of the Open Working Group, we are asking for your continued commitment to maintain and increase the visibility of climate change in the suggested goals and targets, especially as difficult choices (and necessary sacrifices) clearly lie ahead as the overall number of goals and targets are reduced.

Specifically, the post-2015 development framework must contain a coherent set of goals and targets which a) support the achievement of poverty eradication and sustainable development b) promote human rights and build community resilience through adaptation to the harmful impacts of climate change, and c) contribute to a global low-carbon development pathway and to keeping global warming below dangerous levels through significant emissions reductions,

We believe that a robust framework of this nature will help to support the scale of ambition needed to achieve the UNFCCC's aims and help to ensure the delivery of a strong climate deal at COP21 in Paris in 2015.

Yours sincerely

## Signatories<sup>1</sup>

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1	Abibiman Foundation	Ghana
2	Abiodun Adebayo Welfare Foundation	Nigeria
3	Aboriginal Rights Coalition -Australia	Australia
4	ACT alliance	International
5	African Union Youth Volunteer Corps & Youth Assembly	Kenya
	African Women's Network for Community Management of	
6	Forests (REFACOF)	Cameroon
7	Aliança de Batistas do Brasil	Brazil
	Alianza Nicaraguense ante el Cambio Climático - ANACC -	
8	Focalía Nacional ante VdS	Nicaragua
9	Alianza para un Mundo Verde	Nicaragua
10	All India Women's Conference	India
	Anglican EcoCare Commission, Anglican Church Diocese of	
11	Perth	Australia
12	Anti corruption coalition Uganda	Uganda 
13	APEDDUB	Tunisia
14	Armenian Women for Health and Healthy Environment	Argentina
15	Ashoka Sahel	Senegal
16	Asociacion Nochari	Nicaragua
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17	AJ /Green Land 13 AJ	Guatemala
18	Associação de Defesa do Património de Mértola	Portugal
19	Associação de Seminários Teológicos - ASTE Association des Femmes Peules Autochtones du Tchad	Brazil
20	(AFPAT)	Chad
21	Association For Sustainable Human Development	Armenia
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22	Baltic Environmental Forum Lithuania	Lithuania
	Better Education for all befa foundation Pakistan .Literate	
23	Pakistan Programme	Pakistan
24	Beyond Copenhagen Collective	India
25	BLEJAN, Ecological, Social, business support NGO	Armenia
26	Brot für die Welt	Germany
27	Buryat Regional Organization on Lake Baikal	Russia
28	CAN West Africa	
29	Canadian Council for International Co-operation	Canada
30	CARE International	International
31	Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL)	
32	Center for Participatory Research and Development-CPRD	Bangladesh
33	Center for Women, the Earth, the Divine (C:WED)	
34	Cento de Estudos Bíblicos - CEBI	Brazil

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	36	Centre for Human Rights and Climate Change Research	Nigeria		
	37	Centro Alexander von Humboldt	Nicaragua		
		Centro Ecumênico de Evangelização, capacitação e			
	38	Assessoria - CECA	Brazil		
		Centro Ecumênico de Serviço à Evangelização e Educação			
	39	Popular - CESEEP	Brazil		
	40	CHIPUA	Tanzania		
	41	Christian Aid	International		
	42	Churches Action in Relief and Development	Malawi		
	43	CIDSE	International		
	44	Citizens for Public Justice	Canada		
	45	Civil Society Network on Climate Change in Liberia	Liberia		
	46	Clean Energy Nepal	Nepal		
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	47	Canada	Canada		
	48	Climate Action Network Eastern Africa (CAN-EA)	Uganda		
	49	Climate Action Network Europe (CAN-E)	Europe		
	50	Climate Action Network Uganda (CAN-U)	Uganda		
	51	Climate Change Network Nigeria	Nigeria		
		Coalicion de los Pueblos por la Soberania Alimentaria			
	52	Capitulo Guatemala	Guatemala		
	53	Comissão Ecumênica de Combate ao Racismo - CENACORA	Brazil		
	54	Comissão Ecumênica dos Direitos da Terra - CEDITER	Brazil		
	55	Community Initiatives for Development in Pakistan-CIDP	Pakistan		
	56	Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd	International		
	57	Conselho Latino-americano de Igrejas do Brasil – CLAI Brasil	Brazil		
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	64	Ecological Christian Organisation (ECO)	Uganda		
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	66 67	Environic Foundation International	USA		
	68	Environmental Alert	Uganda		
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	71	Equidad de Género: Ciudadanía, Trabajo y Familia	Mexico		
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	12	FIELD - Foundation for International Environmental Law &	5.000.		
	73	Development	UK		
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74	Finnish NGDO Platform to the EU, Kehys	Finland
75	For Our Grandchildren (4RG)	Canada
76	Forest Peoples Programme	UK
77	FoRS - Czech Forum for Development Co-operation	Czech Republic
78	Foundation to support civil initiatives (Dastgirie-Center)	Tajikistan
79	Fundação Gonçalo da Silveira	Portugal
80	Fundação Luterana de Diaconia - FLD	Brazil
81	Fundacion Fe y Comunidad.	Venezuela
82	Fundación Hondureña de Amiente y Desarrollo Vida	Honduras
83	Fundacion POPOL NA	Nicaragua
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84	Gender and Water Alliance	Internationaal
85	Germanwatch	Germany
	Global Campaign Agianst Poverty and Hunger in Liberia	
86	(GCAPH-Liberia)	Liberia
87	Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	
88	Grassrooots CSOs Network of Liberia	Liberia
89	Green Alliance	Belarus
90	Green13	Canada
91	Guinee Ecologie	Guinea
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92	Heinrich Boell Foundation North America	USA
93	Help and Development Organization	Pakistan
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94	IBIS	Denmark
95	IBON International	Philippines/Global
96	Igreja Católica Apostólica Romana	Brazil
97	Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil	Brazil
98	Igreja Evangélica de Confissão Luterana no Brasil	Brazil
99	Igreja Presbiteriana Independente do Brasil	Brazil
100	Igreja Presbiteriana Unida do Brasil	Brazil
101	Igreja Sirian Ortodoxa de Antioquia	Brazil
102	InspirAction	Spain
103	Institute for Essential Services Reform (IESR)	Indonesia
104	International Alliance of Women	international
105	International Public organisation "Ecoproject "Partnership"	Belarus
106	Irthlingz Arts-Based Environmental Education 501(c)(3)	United States
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107	Janathakshan	Sri Lanka
108	Just Earth	Canada
	Justice, Development and Peace Commission, Ijebu Ode,	
109	Nigeria	Nigeria
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110	klima-allianz deutschland	Germany
111	KOINONIA – Presença Ecumênica e Serviço	Brazil
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112	Labour, Health and Human Rights Development Centre Leadership for Environment and Development Southern	Nigeria
113	and Eastern Africa	Malawi
114	Leigos para o Desenvolvimento	Portugal
	Liberia Youth Initiative for Peace and Sustainable	-
115	Development, LYIPSUD	Liberia
116	Loretto Community	United States
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117	Manos Unidas	Spain
118	Mesa Nacional para la Gestión de Riesgo - Nicaragua	Nicaragua
119	Motivation Charitable Trust	UK
120	Multi Stakeholder Forestry Program (MSFP)	Nepal (South Asia)
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121	National Ecological Centre of Ukraine	Ukraine
	National Non-Governmental Development Cooperation	
122	Organisations' Platform (NGDO Platform)	Lithuania
123	National Toxics Network	Australasian region
		United States /
124	Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)	International
	New Space for Patnership from Development in Central	
125	African	Central African Republic
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126	Development	Nigeria
127	Norwegian Church Aid	Norway
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128	Ohaha Family foundation	Nigeria
129	Oikos - Cooperação e Desenvolvimento	Portugal
130	ONG Carbone Guinée	Guinea
131	Oxfam International	International
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132	P3 Foundation	New Zealand
133	PAIRVI	India
134	Peoples Movement on Climate Change	Philippines (but global)
135	Peruvian American Medical Society	Peru
136	Plant-for-the-Planet Foundation	
137	Polish Climate Coalition	Poland
138	Popolation and Climate Change Africa Forum (PACCAF)	International
139	Population Matters	UK
140	Programa de Formação e Educação Comunitária – PROFEC	Brazil
141	psicodiferentes	Argentina
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142	Quercus -National Association for Nature Conservation	Portugal
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143	Ramfa(Rehomfa) youth track welfare Org	India
144	RED Educacion Popular entre Mujeres (REPEM)	
145	Rede Ecumênica da Juventude – REJU	Brazil
146	Regional NGO "Sailing Academy"	Russia

147	Republican Centre for Children and Youth GUTTA-CLUB	Moldova
	Reseau Action Climat-france/ Reseau Climat &	
148	Developpement	France
149	Rwanda Environmental Conservation Organisation ( RECOR)	Rwanda
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150	Save the Children	International
151	SIDS Youth AIMS Hub	Mauritius
152	Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries	USA
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153	(SNED) Support for Women in Agriculture and Environment	Sudan
154	(SWAGEN)	Uganda
134	Sustainable Development Initiatives - DVI (VšĮ "DVI Darnaus	Ogunda
155	vystymo inciciatyvos")	Lithuania
156	SustainUS: U.S. Youth for Sustainable Development	United States
150	Suswatch (Observatorio de la Sostenibilidad) - Focalía	Officed States
157	Nicaragua	Nicaragua
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158	Temple of Understanding	
159	TESE Engeeniars Without Borders	Portugal
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160	Uganda Coalition for Sustainable Development	Uganda
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161	Ukrainian youth climate association	Ukraine
162	Union of Concerned Scientists	USA
	United Nations Association Southern NY State Division	
163	Energy Project	United States
164	Universidade Popular - UNIPOP	Brazil
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165	Vegans and Vegetarians of Alberta	Canada
166	VIMAS WASH ENTERPRISE	GHANA
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167	Wake-Up Call	Sweden / International
168	WECF International	International
169	Welthungerhilfe	Germany
170	Wetlands International	International
171	Women for Peace and Ecology, Germany	Germany
	Women Organizing for Change in Agriculture & Natural	
172	Resource Management	International
173	Women's Environment and Development Organization	International
174	World Aquarium / Conservation for the Oceans Foundation	United States
175	World Council of Churches	International
176	Worldview Mission	International
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177	Zambia Climate Change Network	Zambia
178	ZCO-ECOLO	Benin