



Dear Presidents and Prime Ministers of Africa,

As you know Africa will be hardest hit by climate change. We didn't start global warming, the rich countries of the Global North have been burning fossil fuels for 300 years.

Now the whole world is facing climate crisis and we must all join the fight before it is too late. The safe amount of CO₂ in our atmosphere is 350 parts per million: we are already at over 400.

If we keep burning fossil fuels and releasing CO₂, global temperatures will rise creating more and more extreme weather events and resulting in catastrophic climate change. The only solution is for dirty fossil fuels to stay in the ground and for Governments to choose more clean solar and wind energy.

People across Africa are already fighting to survive more drought, floods and extreme weather that are making life harder than ever. We stand together with the communities living with the impacts of climate change right now: the fisher folk whose catches are shrinking, the small scale farmers whose fields are drying up and the homeless who have lost everything to flash floods. We want you to hear their stories and act.

In short, we want a world safe from the ravages of climate change. We have two simple demands.

1. Hold rich countries of the Global North accountable for starting climate change. Make sure they pay their fair share to help people in our countries adapt to climate change.
2. Choose clean solar and wind power over dirty fossil fuels.

The leaders of Egypt, South Africa, Nigeria, Kenya and DRC can choose clean energy and end the addiction to fossil fuels.

The climate movement is growing in Africa and we will come together with millions of people across the world as part of the People's Climate Mobilisation over the weekend of 20th and 21st September 2014 to call for global leaders to act now.

We lead you our leaders, now it is your turn to take our demands to the negotiating table. We call on you to show leadership in the fight against climate change and to fight for your people in New York.

