

This is the end! Is it?

UN Paris Jubilee ignores disaster warning of the WMO and omits - despite acute threat of exceeding the 1.5 degree target already in 2024 - immediate drastic rescue measures.

Press release:

On 12/12/2020, the 5th anniversary of the conclusion of the Paris Agreement was celebrated, by a "Climate Ambition Summit 2020".

Here it was explicitly stated that the major common goal of the Paris Agreement to save humanity was to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees, and that this goal would be achieved through "emissions neutrality" starting in 2050. [climate-ambition-summit-release.pdf \(un.org\)](#)

In fact, however, the World Meteorological Organization WMO already informed the world public on 8.7.2020 that, according to international scientific calculations, the 1.5 degree target would be exceeded with a probability of 20% already in 2024, i.e. within the next three to four years! [New climate predictions assess global temperatures in coming five years | World Meteorological Organization \(wmo.int\), 1,5 Grad in Sichtweite - Wissen - SZ.de \(sueddeutsche.de\)](#)

This absolutely alarming message has the Secretary General of the WMO Petteri Taalas for safety's sake on 2.12.2020, so shortly before the anniversary of the Paris Agreement, again announced worldwide [2020 on track to be one of three warmest years on record | World Meteorological Organization \(wmo.int\)](#), [Microsoft Word - WMO Annual to Decadal Climate Update 2019 \(metoffice.gov.uk\)](#)

and also posted a YouTube "Animation on the occasion of the Climate Ambition Summit 2020": [Animation on the occasion of the Climate Ambition Summit 2020 - English - December 2020 - YouTube](#)

According to the overwhelming assessment of science, the danger of irreversible climate catastrophe tipping points is very high from exceeding the 1.5 degree target, with the consequence of further dramatic global warming to 3 to 5 degrees and more and the unstoppable horrific destruction of the entire human race. [Tipping Elements - the Achilles Heels of the Earth System — Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research \(pik-potsdam.de\)](#)

In view of this most acute danger for the survival of the entire mankind obviously only highly dramatic national and international power efforts for the accomplishment of a fastest possible "emission neutrality" up to the year 2024 can avert the deadly danger to some extent surely and reliably.

For example by

- the immediate subsidy and investment of all globally available funds in the development of renewable energies
- the immediate worldwide stop of all fossil subsidies and investments
- the immediate worldwide stop of all extraction and processing of coal, oil and gas
- the immediate ban on the destruction of rainforests
- the worldwide natural reforestation of fallow land, pastures and deserts.

But what is the UN Secretary General António Guterres doing? What is the EU doing?

In his speech to the participants of the Climate Ambition Summit, UN Secretary-General Guterres speaks only of current 1.2 degrees and possible 3 degrees of global warming "in this century" [Remarks at the Climate Ambition Summit | United Nations Secretary-General](#)

He does not mention the acute warning of the WMO that the 1.5 degree target of the Paris Agreement could be exceeded as early as 2024, with absolutely catastrophic consequences for mankind, and accordingly does not call for highly drastic and far-reaching immediate measures to decarbonize the world economy by 2024 to avert global catastrophe.

Rather, he merely appeals - as he has for years - to the common sense of governments, corporations and investors who have a national and global responsibility to fulfill the Paris Agreement, and he only repeatedly calls for more ambitious climate protection measures.

However, this mere appeal strategy of the UN has practically worked only rudimentarily so far and is absolutely no longer justifiable in view of the global catastrophe that is just around the corner.

In addition, the UN Secretary General is aware of two other instruments of international law that he can use and should have used long ago (!) to force the defaulting governments, corporations and investors extraordinarily effectively to actually implement the Paris Agreement as soon as possible:

- the international crimes of "genocide" and "crimes against humanity" and
- the recognition under international law of the absolute primacy of the Paris Agreement as a new "ius cogens" (with the consequence of the automatic nullity of conflicting agreements, treaties, oil drilling permits and inadequate laws).

How decisively much further ahead we would be as a global community if the International Criminal Court had already publicly clarified from 2016 onwards, after the successful ratification of the Paris Agreement, that the non-fulfillment of the Paris Agreement, the sluggish poor fulfillment as well as especially the active violation of the Paris Agreement (such as the continuation of fossil subsidies) would constitute the criminal offense of global genocide and crime against humanity.

Jair Bolsonaro, with his plan of industrial destruction of the Amazon rainforest, would probably either not have been elected at all or immediately indicted by the ICC, so that the Amazon rainforest would not have been devastatingly destroyed today as the "lungs of the world" and the tipping point of its evapotranspiration system would not have been irretrievably crossed this summer.

Not even at the request of the international group Fridays for Future-ICC Climate Action in April 2020, António Guterres has wanted to organize a special session of the UN General Assembly to save the Amazon rainforest and all humanity through the application of international criminal law <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ggV8detrEXOK96bz7piqb-m5YVXKMvAD/view>, [FridaysForFuture - ICC Climate Action \(fridaysforfuture-iccclimateaction.org\)](https://fridaysforfuture-iccclimateaction.org)

Moreover, due to the personal liability under international criminal law, most of the responsible politicians would have pursued an actually highly ambitious climate protection policy and would have been able to reject, especially with reference to the criminal liability under international law, the massive attempts of the fossil and automotive industry in particular to torpedo this.

An early official notice of the International Criminal Court as well as the UN Secretary General could thus have reliably saved humanity.

However, this must now be done explicitly and immediately in order to effectively prevent the acutely threatening deadly overshooting of the 1.5 degree target in 2024 through the highly ambitious implementation of global decarbonization by all governments, corporations and investors that this will trigger.

Moreover, the national and international enforcement of highly effective decarbonization measures at all levels will be decisively facilitated by the recognition under international law of the Paris Agreement as a new and, in particular, overriding "ius cogens" vis-à-vis economic interests and arguments.

And what is the EU doing?

Just in time for the Paris anniversary, the EU decided on 11.12.2020 to increase greenhouse gas emissions to 55% by 2030 instead of the previously planned 40%. [Klimawandel: Lob und Kritik für EU-Klimaziele bis 2030 - Politik - SZ.de \(sueddeutsche.de\)](#)

However, this reduction planning until 2030 is not only insufficient in terms of content [SOTEU: EU-Klimaziel von 55% nicht genug für das 1,5 Grad-Ziel - Michael Bloss](#) but, in view of the fact that the 1.5 degree target would already be exceeded much earlier, namely in 2024, it is obviously completely unsuitable to prevent precisely this effectively and reliably.

Accordingly, the EU also fails to focus the discussion at the "Climate Ambition Summit" on the acute emergency of the imminent exceeding of the 1.5 degree target, the imminent failure of the Paris Agreement and the imminent failure to save the entire humanity and to enforce the discussion and resolution of absolutely drastic and far-reaching decarbonization measures to be implemented worldwide immediately.

The discussion and resolution of drastic and far-reaching decarbonization measures to be implemented immediately worldwide must therefore now take place - without any further delay - within the next few weeks through a special session of the UN General Assembly to be convened immediately under the leadership of the President of the UN General Assembly Volkan Bozkir, the UN Secretary General António Guterres and the Secretary General of the WMO Petteri Taalas.

The international press as well as the world public are as well urgently called upon to demand and enforce this special session of the UN General Assembly - for the salvation of all humanity - .

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