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## **Module 5**

# **Political Action for Climate Advocacy**



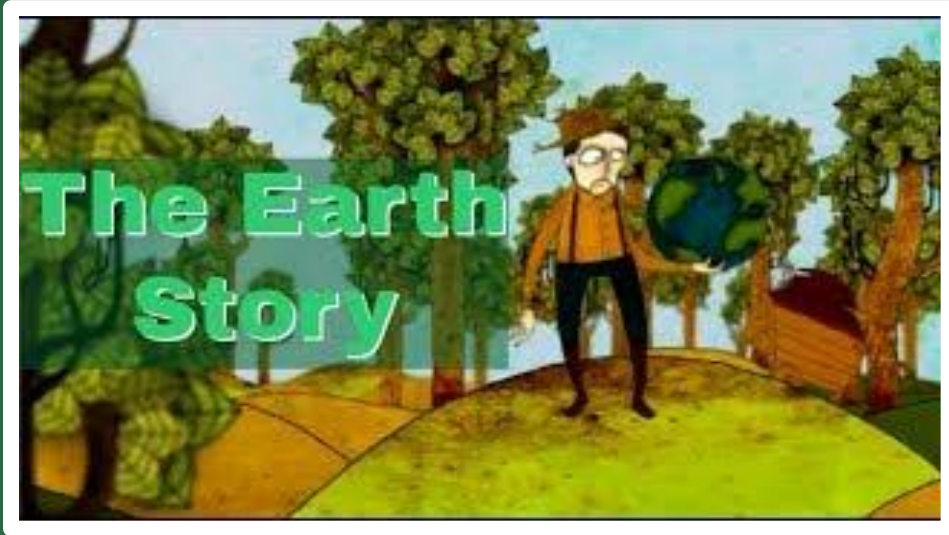
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# Program

(see curriculum)

- 1 What is climate advocacy?
- 2 The primary cause of climate change
- 3 Climate change effects
- 4 Collaborative / Individual Action
- 5 Future Sustainable Planning
- 6 Political Actions





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# Learning objectives

(see curriculum)

- To explore the barriers to effective climate policies
- Work in teams to design a youth-led campaign addressing a specific issue
- Learn how to engage with political systems
- Identify ways to influence climate policies
- Create a roadmap for long-term youth engagement in climate action



# **1. What is climate advocacy ?**



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**WE'RE ALL  
IN THIS  
TOGETHER**  
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ET!  
SEIU

**WE DEMAND  
CLEAN:  
AIR!  
WATER!  
ENERGY!**  
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**LET'S SOLVE  
CLIMATE  
CHAOS  
WITH CLEAN  
ENERGY!**  
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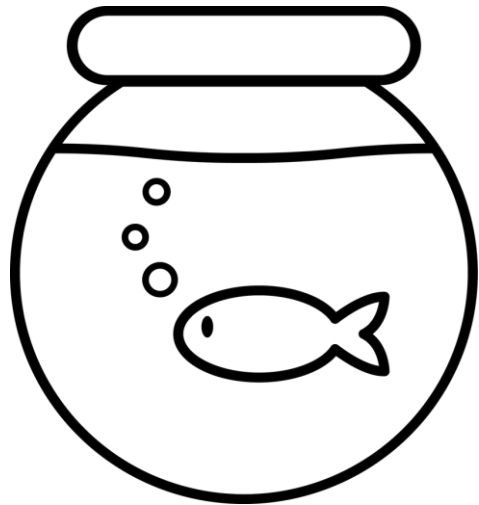


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## Fishbowl discussion

# 2. The primary cause of climate change



# How do we participate in politic ?



# Political concerns us all !



Inclusive



Participation



Future



Networking



Self-determined



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We have ...



Lots of info



Something  
to say / sign !



Great ideas



A lot of  
knowledge



Your Embassy



# Why is Earth Overshoot Day important?





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**What is  
Earth Overshoot Day?**



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# Explanation



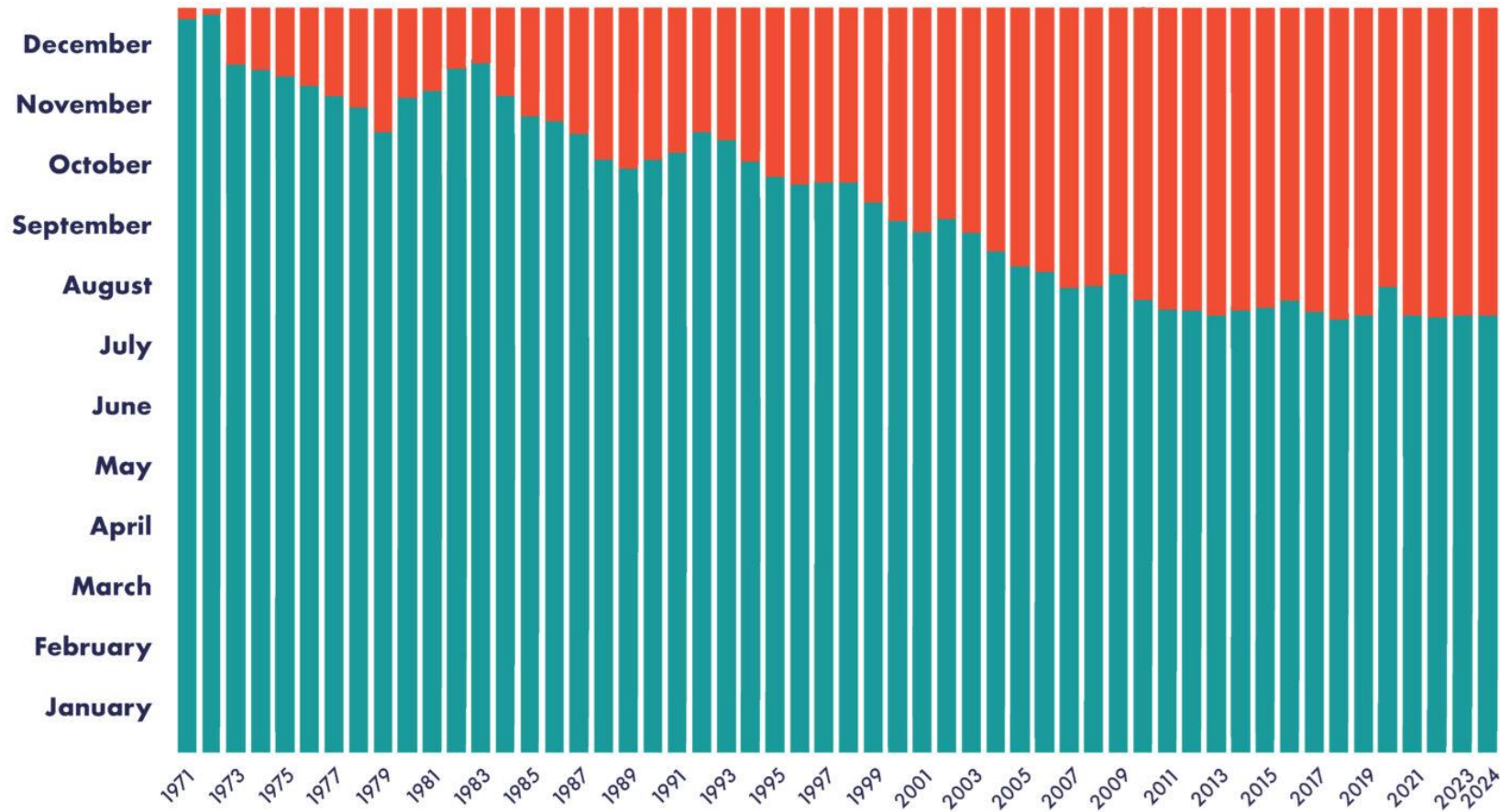
1 Earth



# EarthOvershoot Day

1971 - 2024

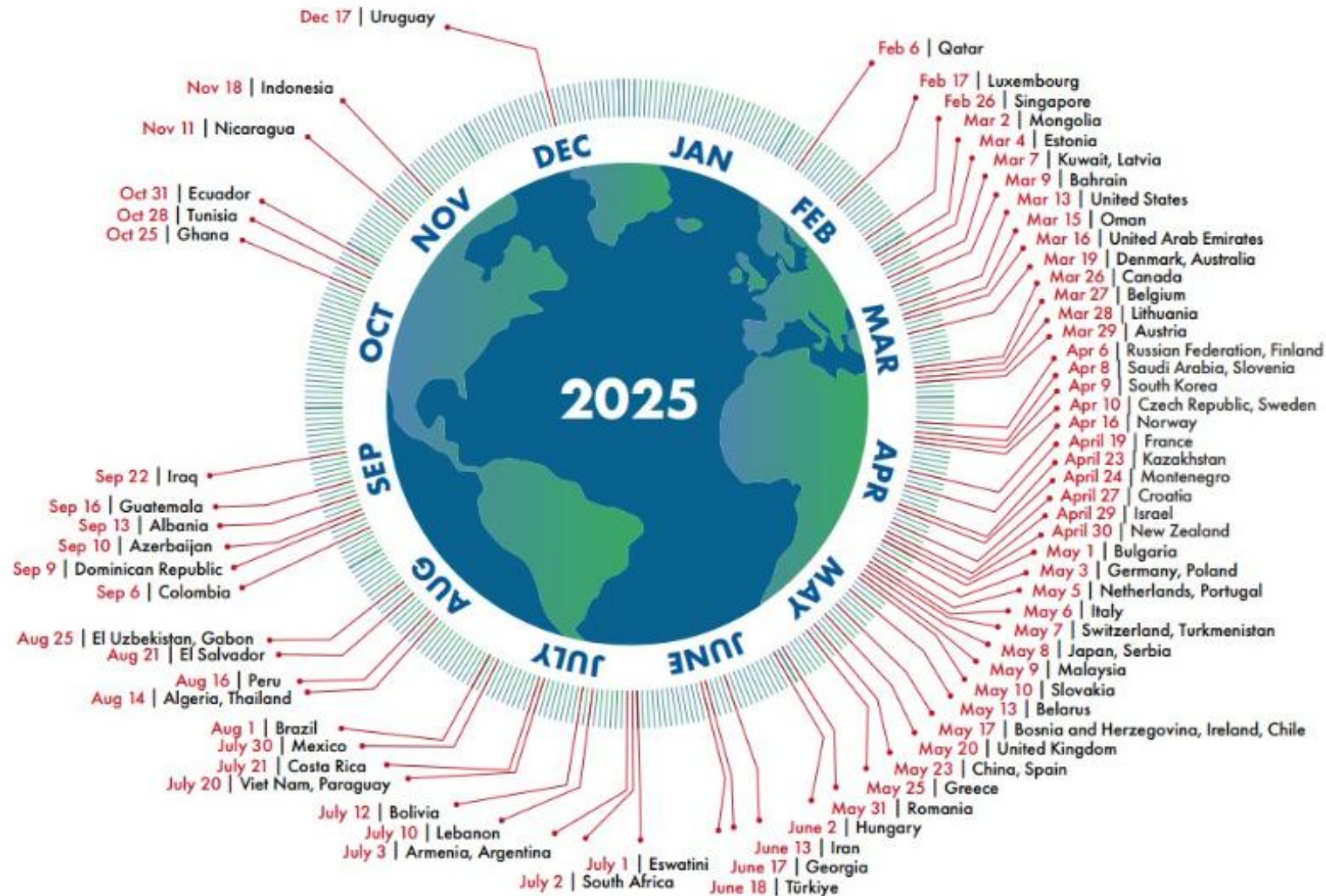
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Based on National Footprint and Biocapacity Accounts 2023 Edition

# Country Overshoot Days 2025

When Earth Overshoot Day would land if all the people around the world lived like...



# Explanation



# What is in the European Green Deal ?

## CLIMATE

Becoming the first climate neutral continent by 2050  
Fit for 55 Package, CBAM

## ENERGY

A clean and efficient energy transition  
Fit for 55 Package

## INDUSTRY

An industrial strategy for a competitive, green and digital Europe  
Batteries Regulation, Plastics Strategy

## ENVIRONMENT AND OCEANS

Protecting our biodiversity and ecosystems  
Circular Economy Action Plan, Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability,  
Zero Pollution Action Plan, Waste and Recycling

## AGRICULTURE

A healthy food system for people and the planet  
Farm to Fork Strategy, Organic Farming Action Plan

## TRANSPORT

Providing efficient, safe and environmentally friendly transport

## FINANCE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

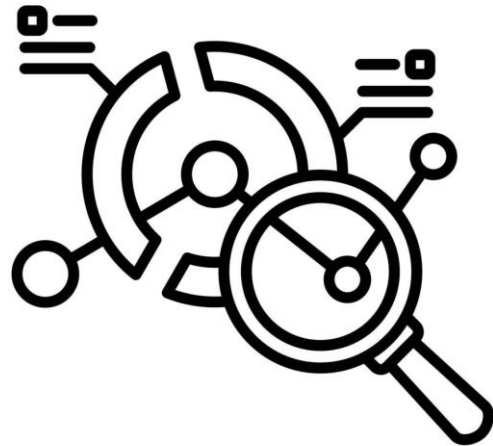
Sustainable investments to deliver the EU Green Deal  
Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive, EU Taxonomy



# 3. Climate change effects



# ACTION



**Find  
information**





**30min**



**15min**



**5min**



**END**

# SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE



The cost of adapting coastal areas to rising sea levels

Relocation of whole towns



Loss of the capacity to work due to heat

Shrinking productivity of harvests



More wars to gain access to limited resources

Prices of basic foodstuffs and consumer goods will rise



Fresh water will be in short supply in some areas

Extreme meteorological phenomena will cause widespread poverty



Diseases will spread due to higher temperatures



# Causes and Effects of Climate Change

## Causes

- Rapid industrialization
- Energy use
- Agricultural practices
- Deforestation
- Consumer practices
- Livestock
- Transport
- Resource extraction
- Pollution



## Effects

- Rising temperatures
- Rising sea levels
- Unpredictable weather patterns
- Increase in extreme weather events
- Land degradation
- Loss of wildlife and biodiversity

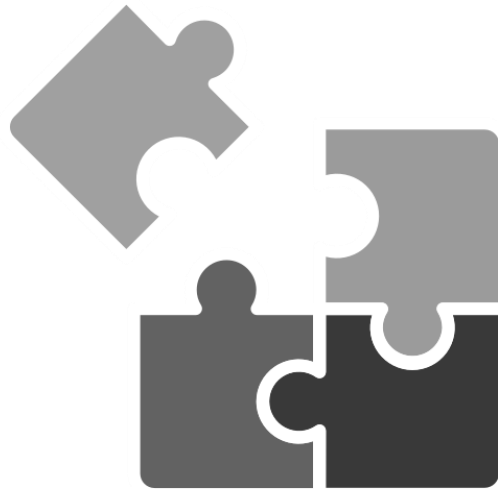
## What are the social impacts of climate change?

Displaced people. Poverty. Loss of livelihood. Hunger. Malnutrition.  
Increased risk of diseases. Global food and water shortages.

# 4. Collaborative / Individual Action



# ACTION



**Puzzle**



## RAISING THE ALARM

### THE BLOCKER



Whether **calling** for a climate strike, **'blocking'** fossil fuel deliveries and projects or **joining** direct action in solidarity with others to stop 'business as usual', you are done waiting. Climate action now!

### THE INFLUENCER



You get the word out. Parents, cousins, friends, friends of friends beware. You **shape the conversation** by **sharing**, **analysing** and **summarising** the debates, the struggles and challenge the deniers (and delayers) head on.

### THE DEFENDER



You promote **human rights** and **speak out** against the harm done to people or the planet through the exploitation of land and natural resources by businesses and governments for profit. Your **defender toolkit** includes **awareness-raising protest**, **peaceful direct action** and **filing legal complaints**.



## WORKING THROUGH THE DETAILS

### THE SCIENTIST



Tracking changes, **scenario building** and **gathering evidence** are your superpowers. As a **Student**, **novice**, **lab technician**, **sleuth** and **researcher**, you dig for evidence so that activists working at kitchen tables or in board rooms have the **proof** needed to push for change.

### THE CONDUCTOR



We can't do this alone. You are a **people person** and always include others. **The revolution will be organised** and led by cups of tea and post-it notes. The supply chains we use and our impact on people and the planet will be reviewed. You've got this.

### THE REFORMER



Using law, policy opportunities and putting pressure on decision makers you **'dance with the system'** so as to change it from the inside out. You eat 200-page UN policy reports for breakfast.

## BRINGING SOLUTIONS HOME

### THE ENGINEER



You invent, pioneer technology, learn through improving and testing. You are a **master in moving from theory to practice**. One solar panel installation, carbon storage facility or nature-based solution at a time.

### THE CULTURE JAMMER



You paint the climate emergency, sing the rallying call and produce the posters, t-shirts and stories **that light the soul of a movement towards a just world**. And stickers.

### THE INVESTOR



You put your money, or your organisation's money, where your climate justice heart is. Divesting from fossil fuels, **shareholder activist** that you are, means that **you invest** in ideas and projects that support a transition towards a **low carbon future for everyone, near and far**.

### THE VISIONARY



Building a better, more just and more sustainable world starts with imagining one. Adapting and **combining proposals**, leading ideas for **public ownership** and **public infrastructure**, not simply private profit. **You build the future, today**.

Source: <https://developmenteducation.ie/infographic/which-kind-of-climate-activist-are-you/>



## **Greta Thunberg**

Swedish climate activist known for challenging world leaders to take immediate action to mitigate the effects of climate change

PERSON of the YEAR  
TIME



**GRETA THUNBERG**  
THE POWER OF YOUTH



SKOLSTREJK  
FÖR  
KLIMATET

# Malizia II sailing yacht

## Zero-carbon racing boat

Length: 18 metres  
Width: 5.7 metres  
Sailing speed: 25 knots

No toilet or shower  
Equipped with emergency motor and generator

Satellite telephone

Electricity generated through solar panels and underwater turbines

The yacht will carry 2 crew members and 3 passengers: activist Greta Thunberg, her father Svante and filmmaker Nathan Grossman



Solar panels

Underwater turbines





## Elizabeth Wanjiru Wathui

Kenyan environment activist founded the Green Generation Initiative which has planted over 30,000 tree seedlings in Kenya and encourages young people to discover and care for nature



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**6,590,000**

TREES GROWN



**205,700**

PEOPLE  
IMPACTED



**308**

SCHOOLS  
ENGAGED

Source: <https://greengenerationinitiative.org/>



## Paul Watson

Captain Paul Watson is a marine wildlife conservation and environmental activist. Watson was one of the founding members and directors of Greenpeace.

In 1977, he left Greenpeace and founded the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society which he resigned in 2022 to co-found the Captain Paul Watson Foundation





In 2013, there  
were 10 vessels



11 ships  
sunk



3,600 Whales

WHICH KIND OF  
**CLIMATE  
ACTIVIST**  
ARE YOU?



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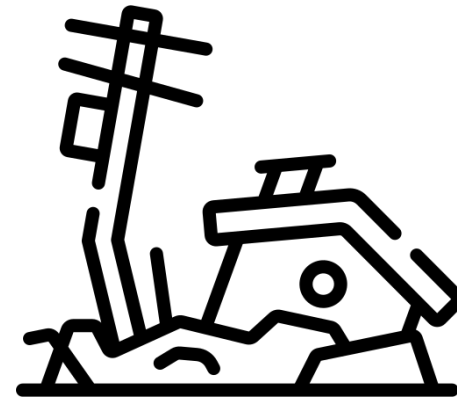
**Actor role play**

## Group 1



**“Plastic in the Oceans”**

## Group 2



**“Catastrophes naturelles”**



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There is **N**  
planet **B!**



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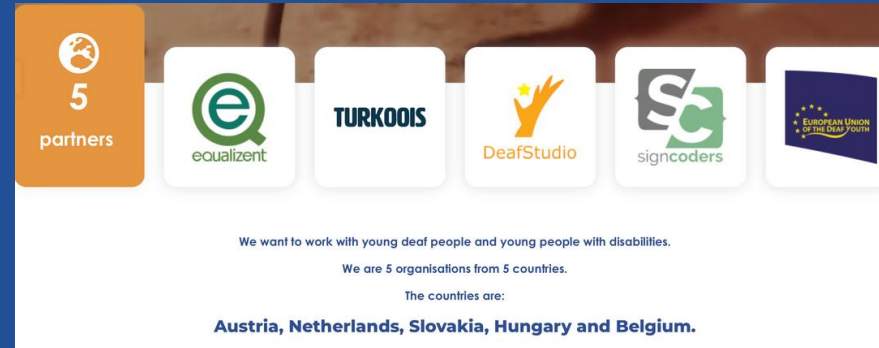


***“ We are on Earth to take care of life.  
We are on Earth to take care of each other ”***

- **Xiye Bastida, Indigenous Otomi Mexican Climate Activist**



# Thank you!



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