

Statement of 145 civil society organisations on the roll back of EU's green rules

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What? This is a joint statement by 140 civil society organisations addressing decision makers, with all the key names of the movement for environment, justice, human rights, health and beyond, putting a spotlight on the ongoing political attack ahead of the EU elections on EU efforts to protect people and the planet.

Why? To show a powerful opposition to the broad ranging rollback and attack on EU's "green" rules and show that this is a wave beyond individual policy files.

When? The statement is launched **Monday May 13th** - embargo at 00:01 CET - and pitched to journalists several days before under the embargo. The statement is already closed for further signatories but if your CSO is still really eager to join, reach out to [Sini Eräjää](#) ;)

Who? This letter has been started by Greenpeace EU and other Brussels-based green organisations and has been opened to all CSOs that are concerned of the ongoing political attack to sign.

How? We will not send this letter directly to any policy makers in a coordinated way but aim to reach them through media and public attention. The statement will be pushed to the media in Brussels as well in several European countries.

Where? Greenpeace comms colleagues are coordinating pitching in several European countries and in Brussels, if you are interested in pitching to your national media, please get in touch with [Christine Gebeneter](#) / +43 664 8403807 .

Media pitching is currently going on in: Germany, Czech republic, Luxembourg, Spain, France, Italy, Belgium, Ireland and the Netherlands.

How can you join the launch of the statement?

- **Ahead of May 13th:** Help us to pitch the statement as an editorial etc in your national newspaper & contact [Christine Gebeneter](#) who coordinates the media work
- **On May 13th:** Publish the statement (see above for file to download as PDF) on your own website to show you are part of a joint and wide CSO movement!
- **On May 13th:** Share and promote the statement on your social media - and repost those of others - and other membership or supporter channels to spread the word and to put a spotlight on the political attack!

Questions? Reach out to [Sini Eräjää](#)

***** LAUNCHED MAY 13 - 00:01 CEST *****

Text of open statement

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Open letter by civil society on the rollback of green measures in the EU

Our society's relationship with the nature that sustains it is fundamentally broken. Despite the growing evidence of looming ecological collapse and the alarming acceleration of the climate crisis, European governments and EU politicians are currently blocking new measures to protect nature and tearing up ones already in place.

Healthy nature underpins our ability to feed ourselves, to have clean water to drink, clean air to breathe and a safe climate to live in. We are horrified that so many politicians across Europe are threatening the basis of life on this planet to provide false solutions to farmers' hardships, while doing nothing to address farmers' complaints of abusive practices in the supply chain or unfair competition and cheap imports from trade deals. And all this as an opportunistic attempt to gather a few more votes in the upcoming elections.

The European Environment Agency has warned that the continent is woefully underprepared for the impacts of a changing climate. Natural ecosystems that protect us from the worst of extreme weather, drought, heatwaves and floods are disappearing when we should be restoring them.

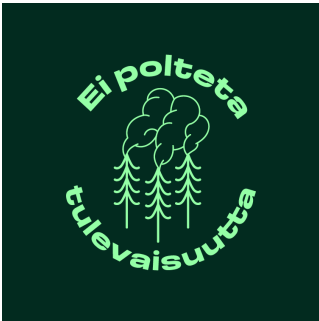
In recent months, Ursula von der Leyen's European Commission has loosened pollution rules for industrial farms, dropped plans for sustainable food production, abandoned targets to reduce pesticides and shelved efforts to ensure a resilient water supply. Some national governments have frozen EU plans to restore nature in Europe and compromised corporate due diligence rules protecting human rights and the environment. Now, the European Commission wants to scrap basic environmental standards for farms to appease industry lobbyists, and agriculture ministers are threatening the EU's new rules to fight global deforestation.

Nature is not in conflict with our society's ability to thrive, it is the very foundation of it. But some politicians in European capitals, and in the EU institutions in Brussels, are accelerating the nature and climate crisis, and risking the lives of the people they represent. We urge you to stop before it is too late.

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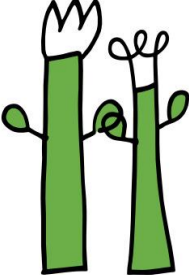
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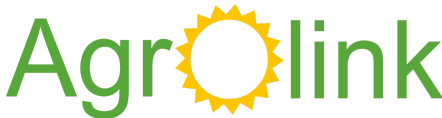
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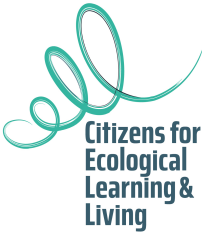
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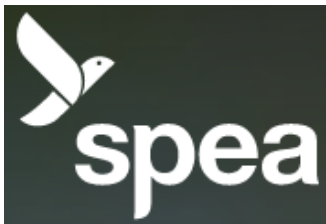
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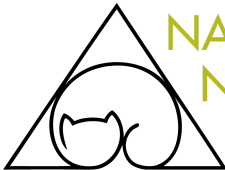
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