# Energy Activism To Go Global in 2018

## Unprecedented world-wide alliance to escalate and expand energy campaigns

(NOV 14, 2017) - Bonn, Germany. On the sidelines of the UN Climate Summit an unprecedented global alliance of civil society groups warned that 2018 would see an escalation of activism against polluting dirty energies.

The alliance, known as Reclaim Power, sports representatives from over 75 countries across every continent and has already coordinated on over 2000 protests and events calling for the transformation of energy systems as a key step in addressing climate change.

The groups now say they will be stepping up their efforts significantly in 2018.

"The time to flick the switch on the energy transformation is now. People in the Americas know it, in Africa they know it, we know it in Asia. With that knowledge we are going to step up our efforts and issue clear and specific demands to our governments" said **Lidy Nacpil of the Asian People's Movement on Debt & Development**.

The alliance is united around a set of demands focused on changing the energy system from its existing climate-polluting structure to one that addresses the energy needs of billions of people who do not currently have enough energy for basic needs without burning the planet.

"The extreme weather we've seen this year is planet earth flashing us a red warning sign. We are going to add human voices to sound the alarm" said **Joseph Zane Sikulu of the Pacific Warriors**.

""We are issuing demands that will unify people everywhere who want to see action on climate change and an energy system that serves the many, not the few. These are the basic non-negotiables we need to see happen in order to urgently change our failing and unjust energy systems" said **Nnimmo Bassey of Health of Mother Earth Foundation**.

"We have to make sure that the goal of 100% renewable energy is backed up with real plans and with real money and real technology so that this goal becomes a reality for every single person on this planet" said **Sarah Strack of CAN-International**.

"We will stop dirty energy projects by abandoning dangerous projects, banning harmful energy types like fracking, and closing the tap of public handouts to the causes of climate change like coal plants and oil pipelines" said **Dipti Bhatnagar of Friends of the Earth International**.

"We will not be fooled by corporations that are lobbying to replace the fuels that cause climate change with other just as dangerous impacts like nuclear, mega-hydro dams, and biofuels" said **Asad Rehman of War on Want**.

"Corporations who profit from polluting our planet, and the governments that enable them, will face pressure on all sides in 2018. They're raising the heat of the planet and we're going to raise the heat on them" said **Jesse Bragg of Corporate Accountability**.

The full list of formal demands are available <u>here</u>.

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Groups supporting the demands include:

### Global and Regional

350.org | Action Aid International | Asian Peoples Movement on Debt and Development (APMDD) | Asia-Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD) | Asia-Pacific Network for Food Sovereignty | Asian Regional Exchange for New Alternatives | Climate Action Network International (CAN-I) | Corporate Accountability International | Food and Water Watch | Food and Water Europe | Global Campaign to Demand Climate Justice | GrassRootsAfrica | Greenpeace International | IBON International | International Rivers | LDC Watch | Migrant Forum in Asia | NGO Forum on the ADB | No REDD in Africa Network | Oil Change International | Oil Watch Africa | Pan African Climate Justice Alliance | South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication | South Asia Food Sovereignty Network | South Asia Peasants Coalition | Southeast Asian Working Group on Climate and Energy | Third World Network | WoMin African Alliance | Young Friends of the Earth Europe

#### **National**

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