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Press Release Parents for Future Germany

Parents for Future Germany calls on EU heads of government to implement the EU Parliament's Climate Law

On October 7th, the EU Parliament passed the European Climate Law. The objective of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 60% by 2030 compared to 1990 is now taking climate protection seriously for the first time and can serve as a basis for the EU countries to comply with the Paris Convention ratified by 195 countries. Ultimately, all EU member states are to be climate-neutral by 2050.

Next Thursday, on October 15th 2020, the EU heads of government will meet under the German chairmanship. The agenda includes a "policy debate on issues related to climate change".

Parents for Future Germany is urging the Council of the European Union: Implement the new European Climate Law before the end of 2020!

The European Council must not allow the goals of the European Climate Law to be watered down and their implementation to be put off. Otherwise there is the risk of Europe being left empty-handed at the next World Climate Conference (COP26) in Glasgow in November 2021. As a union of industrialized nations, Europe must finally take responsibility for having played a decisive role in causing the climate crisis. Europe's political representatives are asked to live up to their special responsibility and finally take effective measures.

The new European Climate Law is the ultimate challenge to the EU heads of government to implement the steps towards a socio-ecological transformation of societies that have been demanded by science for decades.

It is still possible to change course and thus to meet the 1.5°C Paris Agreement goal at the last minute.

For Germany, this means new European climate legislation:

- The lignite phase-out by 2038 is no longer tenable. This should be completed by 2030 at the latest. The coalfields near the threatened villages around the Garzweiler opencast mine are no longer needed, and the draft of the new NRW leading decision on lignite mining is no longer valid! A further forced resettlement and the excavation of intact villages can no longer be justified. - All villages remain!
- The hard-coal-fired power plant Datteln 4, already gone online in May 2020, must be taken off the grid immediately.
- The German government's so-called climate package of 29 September 2019 is completely inadequate and must be undone.
- The phasing out of combustion engines by 2030 cannot be avoided.
- A comprehensive turnaround in mobility with promoting public transportation, rail and bicycle infrastructure is necessary. The construction or expansion of freeways must be stopped immediately - including the expansion of the A49 through the Dannenröder Wald. All forests remain!
- The decarbonization of heavy industry (e.g. steel industry) and shipping must be pushed forward.
- The expansion of renewable energies - repeatedly blocked by economic regulations - must be pushed forward significantly.

Parents for Future Germany addresses an open letter to the EU heads of government and urges the European Council to do everything possible to comply with the Paris Agreement and limit global

warming to 1.5°C compared to the pre-industrial age. The European Climate Law must be implemented immediately!

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