

Examples of our Work

Animals. Humans. Rights. Make a Stand for Better Animal Welfare and Limited use of Antibiotics



The effects of industrialized livestock farming are manifold and obvious: excess nitrate in groundwater, antibiotic-resistant germs, precarious employment, greenhouse gas emissions, animal suffering, and the loss of traditionally cultivated landscapes.

Consequently, together with new cooperation partners, Germanwatch is working on a comprehensive reform of animal husbandry. An important interim success is that Germanwatch has managed to bring public attention to the link between animal husbandry and the development of antibiotic resistance by means of research and intensive public relations activities.

The Global Paris Climate Agreement



Since its inception, Germanwatch has been committed to developing sustainable solutions for global climate justice at various levels and has accompanied and closely monitored all UN climate negotiations. Since 1995, our commitment has made many marks:

We successfully promoted to include the transition from fossil energy resources such as coal, oil, and gas to more sustainable energy resources until mid-century in the Paris Agreement.

We also played an important role in anchoring to the Paris negotiation process, such relevant negotiation topics as climate-related loss and damage, and coverage for those who cannot afford private climate-risk insurance. Together with 35 large and medium-size companies from a broad range of industries, including two business associations, we published immediately after the Paris Summit a joint appeal to the German government to assume a leading role in the implementation of the Paris Agreement, calling on the government to launch initial steps. This was perceived as a strong signal by both the German government and the business community.

Get Involved

Germanwatch needs your support as a friend, donator, and disseminator of our campaigns and activities. Together we can build a broader basis for our work and move closer to our goal of achieving more sustainable development. Please support us in our commitment to global equity and preservation of livelihoods.

Thank you!



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www.stiftungzukunft.org/english

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Human Rights and Planetary Boundaries need our Active Commitment



About Germanwatch

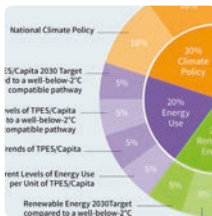


Curbing globalization will create opportunities for particularly vulnerable segments of the population and for the development of future generations. In our search for sustainable solutions, we strongly reject recent calls for isolationism and focus instead on increased international cooperation, for example, in

- committing to climate protection and a just approach towards dealing with the impacts of climate change
- ensuring the right to a worldwide food supply
- promoting corporate responsibility for human rights

We pursue these goals in conjunction with other current global challenges, such as migration and its causes, digitization, or the economic and political reform of the European Union.

How we Work



Germanwatch maintains a purposeful dialogue with political and economic actors, conducts science-based analyses, undertakes educational work, and informs consumers and the broader public.

Our Topics



- German and European Low-Carbon Policy
- International Climate Policy
- Climate and Development Finance
- Corporate Accountability
- World Food Supply, Land Use and Trade
- Education for Sustainable Development

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Germanwatch Climate Expedition



By comparing live satellite images with earlier recordings, we have clearly illustrated the consequences of climate change. The high demand for this expedition, the positive feedback of its participants, and our second award as UN Decade Project all confirm the success of the Germanwatch Climate Expedition. Around 280,000 people have participated in the Germanwatch Climate Expedition since 2004 (as of July 2018).

Climate Risk Index & Climate Change Performance Index



The Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) compares the efforts of almost 60 industrial and emerging nations in combating climate change. It is published annually by Germanwatch and Climate Action Network International.

The annual Climate Risk Index (CRI) shows which countries have been particularly affected by the impacts of weather-related losses. Both indices are published during the UN climate summits to exert pressure for the implementation of climate-friendly measures in these countries. www.germanwatch.org/en/indices

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Global Economic Activities and Human Rights – Germany Under Scrutiny

This report – jointly produced with Misereor – is an important way of ensuring that German politicians and businesses better honor their human rights obligations. The report managed to create significant impulses on a political level and among corporations, not least for the discussion process of a national German action plan. The second report is concerned with Energy and Human Rights. www.germanwatch.org/en/14766

Export Subsidies Threaten Small-scale Farmers – Germanwatch puts German Government and EU under Pressure



High export subsidies for beef, grain, and milk have driven small-scale African farmers and pastoralists out of business. In 2015, pressure exerted by Germanwatch and its partners on the German government and the EU led to a global ban of export subsidies.

The Huaraz Case: Saúl versus RWE. A Test Case for Global Climate Justice.



Since 2015, Germanwatch and Stiftung Zukunftsfähigkeit (Foundation for Sustainability) have been jointly supporting Saúl Luciano Lliuya (a farmer from the Andes region) in his lawsuit against RWE. The German energy provider is Europe's largest carbon dioxide emitter, responsible for almost 0.5 % of all man-made greenhouse gas emissions worldwide since the beginning of industrialization.

This case is the first of its kind in the European courts and already marks an important step towards new legal options for those affected and towards leverage for political solutions. A German court, the Higher Regional Court Hamm, wrote legal history at the end of 2017 when it clearly stated that emitters such as RWE bear responsibility for individuals in poorer countries who are adversely affected by climate change. www.germanwatch.org/en/huaraz



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