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UN IPCC and Al Gore get Nobel Peace Prize 2007

Action is necessary now, before climate change moves beyond man's control'

Following today's announcement of Al Gore and the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (UN IPCC) as Nobel Peace Prize recipients for 2007, **Greens/EFA Co-President Monica Frassoni said:**

'We **welcome the decision to award the Nobel Peace Prize to Al Gore and the UN IPCC**, which is a recognition of the contribution of both to ensuring that climate change has been rightly placed at the centre of the international political agenda, as perhaps the most important challenge faced by humanity today. Al Gore and the UN IPCC have been central to promoting the scientific consensus about mankind's causal role in climate change, with the result that the political mainstream can no longer shirk its responsibility for addressing the challenge.

'Today's award builds on that awarded to Wangari Maathai in 2004 and is a reminder that major environmental challenges, particularly climate change, threaten not just our surroundings but also, by placing greater pressure on ever-dwindling resources, our very existence and our ability to co-exist peacefully on this planet. **We hope this message will be brought home loud and clear at Bali in December and that international political leaders will agree on ambitious and binding measures to tackle climate change and the greenhouse gas emissions that cause it**.'

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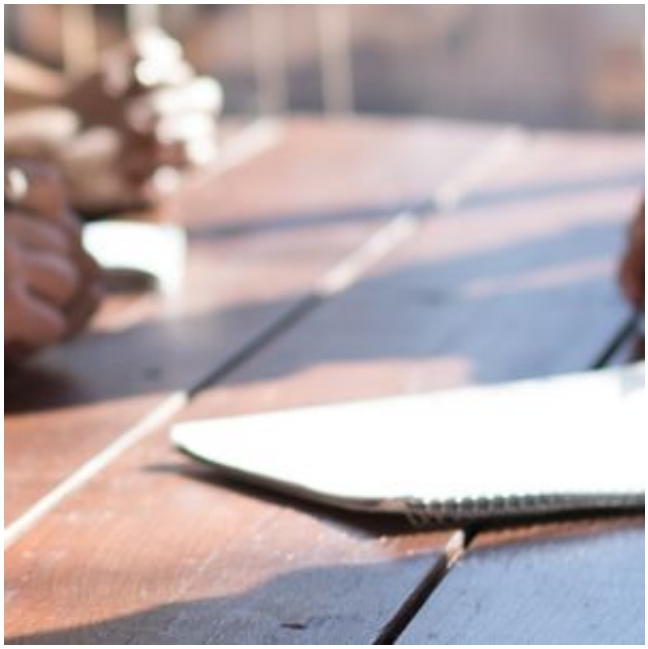

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