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Greens/EFA MEPs in Dubai, demands and quotes

From Thursday (30 November) on, heads of state and government, ministers, the EU - represented by Climate Commissioner Wopke Hoekstra - and representatives of non-governmental organisations and lobby groups will be negotiating the global climate crisis at the 28th United Nations Climate Conference (COP28) in Dubai. Quotes, the Greens/EFA's demands to COP28, and further links can be found below.

The Greens/EFA will be present in Dubai (subject to changes):

Bas Eickhout and **Jutta Paulus**, both members of the European Parliament's COP28 delegation, as well as **Michael Bloss** and **Hannah Neumann**.

- **Bas Eickhout**, Green/EFA member of the European Parliament's COP28 delegation: Friday, 9 December (morning) to Wednesday, 13 December (afternoon)
- **Jutta Paulus**, Greens/EFA member of the European Parliament's COP28 delegation: Wednesday, 7 December (morning) to Tuesday, 12 December (evening)
- **Michael Bloss**, Green/EFA member of the European Parliament's Environment Committee: Thursday, 8 December (evening) to Wednesday, 13 December (morning)
- **Hannah Neumann**, Chair of the European Parliament's Delegation for relations with the Arab Peninsula, Vice-Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights: Tuesday, 6 December (evening) to 9 December (morning)

Bas Eickhout, Greens/EFA Vice President and member of the European Parliament delegation to COP28, comments:

"If we want to halt climate change and further accelerate the energy transition, that means clarity on the end goal: a world that says goodbye to fossil energy. Besides climate ambition, the Dubai summit is about what exactly the climate damage fund agreed earlier should look like, and which countries pay and possibly receive money. This fund should compensate for climate damage already suffered in vulnerable countries. This discussion also affects the climate ambition that can be agreed upon at the summit. While there is now an agreement that the fund should exist, the question of who pays and under what conditions remains unanswered. This is unacceptable to the global south; they will only agree to more ambition if their concerns about climate damage are taken seriously. In any case, we are clear: the scale of climate damage is growing enormously and therefore the biggest polluters must make additional structural contributions to address it."

Greens/EFA demands:

- Global phase-out of all fossil fuels
- End subsidies for fossil fuels
- Treaty on the non-proliferation of fossil fuels
- Significant reduction in greenhouse gas emissions
- Tripling the share of renewable energies
- Doubling energy efficiency
- Establishment of the fund to support climate-related loss and damage and provide it with fresh money
- Exclusion of representatives of fossil fuel industries from the climate conference along the lines of the World Health Organisation's exclusion of the tobacco industry
- Release of human rights activist Ahmed Mansoor and all political prisoners in the United Arab Emirates

The European Parliament's COP28 resolution of 21 November 2023 is the mandate for the European Parliament delegation

All of our MEPs are available for interview requests and background discussions in advance and on site. I will also be available at COP28 (from 9 December to 14 December), so please do not hesitate to reach out.

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