

V-02 Beschluss Ausstieg aus fossilen Energieträgern einleiten: Grüne unterstützen die Lofoten Deklaration

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- 1 BÜNDNIS 90/DIE GRÜNEN unterstützen die Forderungen der Lofoten Deklaration, in der
2 mehr als
3 200 zivilgesellschaftliche Gruppen am 07.09.2017 Länder, Regionen und Unternehmen
4 auffordern, vor dem Hintergrund der Pariser Klimaziele die Erkundung und Ausbeutung
5 fossiler
6 Energieträger zu beenden und einen gemanagten Abbau des fossilen Sektors
7 einzuleiten.

8 **The Lofoten Declaration**

9 **Climate Leadership Requires a Managed Decline of Fossil Fuel**
10 **Production**

- 11 Global climate change is a crisis of unprecedented scale, and it will take unprecedented
12 action to avoid the worst consequences of our dependence on oil, coal, and gas.
13 Equally as
14 critical as reducing demand and emissions is the need for immediate and ambitious
15 action to
16 stop exploration and expansion of fossil fuel projects and manage the decline of
17 existing
18 production in line with what is necessary to achieve the Paris climate goals.
19 Clean, safe, and renewable fuels are already redefining how we see energy and it is
20 time for
21 nations to fully embrace 21st century energy and phase out fossil fuels.

22 **The Lofoten Declaration affirms that it is the urgent responsibility and moral**
23 **obligation of**
24 **wealthy fossil fuel producers to lead in putting an end to fossil fuel**
25 **development and to**
26 **manage the decline of existing production.**

- 27 We stand in solidarity with, and offer our full support for, the growing wave of impacted
28 communities around the world who are taking action to defend and protect their lives
29 and
30 livelihoods in the face of fossil fuel extraction and climate change. It is a priority to
31 elevate these efforts. Frontline communities are the leaders we must look to as we all
32 work
33 together for a safer future.

- 34 A global transition to a low carbon future is already well underway. Continued
35 expansion of
36 oil, coal, and gas is only serving to hinder the inevitable transition while at the same
37 time exacerbating conflicts, fuelling corruption, threatening biodiversity, clean water

and
26 air, and infringing on the rights of Indigenous Peoples and vulnerable communities.
27 Energy access and demand are and must now be met fully through the clean energies
of the
28 21st century. Assertions that new fossil fuels are needed for this transformation are not
29 only inaccurate; they also undermine the speed and penetration of clean energy.
30 We recognize that a full transition away from fossil fuels will take decades, but also,
that
31 this shift is an opportunity more than a burden. We are in a deep hole with climate. We
must
32 begin by not digging ourselves any deeper.
33 Research shows that the carbon embedded in existing fossil fuel production will take us
far
34 beyond safe climate limits. Thus, not only are new exploration and new production
35 incompatible with limiting global warming to well below 2°C (and as close to 1.5°C as
36 possible), but many existing projects will need to be phased-out faster than their
natural
37 decline.
38 This task should be first addressed by countries, regions, and corporate actors who are
best
39 positioned in terms of wealth and capacity to undergo an ambitious just transition away
from
40 fossil fuel production. In particular, leadership must come from countries that are high-
41 income, have benefitted from fossil fuel extraction, and that are historically responsible
42 for significant emissions.
43 We call on these governments and companies to recognize that continued fossil fuel
44 exploration and production without a managed decline and a just transition is
irreconcilable
45 with meaningful climate action. We also note that there are tremendous leadership
46 opportunities for these countries to demonstrate that moving beyond oil, coal, and gas
–
47 both demand and production – is not only possible, but can be done while protecting
workers,
48 communities, and economies.