

## COMMITMENT DECLARATION

### Joint Declaration of the Djiboutian Youth: Call to Action for Climate Justice

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**We, the young people of Djibouti, gathered in Djibouti on August 10 and 11, 2024 for the National Youth Forum on Climate Justice,**

**Aware** of the major challenges that climate change poses for our country and future generations,

**Concerned** with preserving our environment and promoting sustainable development,

**Reaffirming** our commitment to the values of solidarity, equity and justice,

**Faced** with the climate emergency that threatens our country and our future, we, young Djiboutians, united in our determination to build a sustainable future, solemnly declare:

1. **Recognize** that climate change is a reality that is already impacting our daily lives, including unpredictable rainfall, floods, successive droughts, water scarcity, jeopardizing our natural resources, livelihoods, and cultural heritage.
2. **Affirm** that young people are on the front lines of this crisis and that we have the right to live in a healthy and safe environment.
3. **Demand** immediate and ambitious action from government, businesses, and the international community to limit global warming to 1.5°C, in line with the Paris Agreement.
4. **Commit to** playing an active role in the fight against climate change by:
  - **Raising awareness** in our communities about the challenges of climate change and encouraging them to adopt more environmentally friendly behaviors.
  - **Promoting** innovative and local solutions to address the climate crisis, such as renewable energy, sustainable agriculture, and integrated water resource management.
  - **Actively participating** in the implementation of concrete projects on the ground, in collaboration with local stakeholders and civil society organizations. For example, tree planting, reforestation and biodiversity protection projects.
  - **Demanding** ambitious public policies that promote the transition to a green and resilient economy.
  - **Uniting our voices** with those of other young people around the world to make our demands heard on the international stage.
5. **Call for** greater solidarity between generations, developed and developing countries, to ensure a just and equitable future for all.

**We, young Djiboutians, are calling for action for society as a whole:**

- **To the political decision-maker:** We are calling for the establishment of a national climate change adaptation plan, or for financial support for projects led by young Djiboutians for climate action. Equipping local populations to adapt to climate change. Creating a framework that is favourable to investment in renewable energy and green technologies.
- **To the private sector:** We are calling on companies to integrate climate issues into their strategies and to adopt more environmentally friendly practices.
- **To civil society:** We are encouraging civil society organizations to strengthen their collaboration with young people and to increase initiatives in favour of climate justice.
- **To each citizen:** We invite everyone to prioritize planting trees in front of their house and to adopt simple daily actions to reduce their carbon footprint and to support initiatives in favour of the environment.

**Together, we can build a better future for Djibouti and for the planet.**

**Done in Djibouti, August 11, 2024**