Plant-for-the-Planet's Demands for COP29

The climate crisis has intensified significantly in 2024, with heat records broken month after month. We witness its impacts daily: increasingly severe weather events and disruptions in ecosystems. In the Amazon, for example, droughts are more severe than ever. The time to act is now.

For 15 years, Plant-for-the-Planet has been dedicated to restoration and youth empowerment, and has now been honoredfor its efforts with the <u>UN SDG Action Award</u> in the "Impact" category.

At COP29, we urge governments to take the following actions:

1. Halt Deforestation of Tropical Rainforests and Provide Essential International Funding for Their Preservation

- Stop deforestation by 2030, as agreed upon in the 2021 <u>Leaders Declaration</u> at COP26 in Glasgow.

- Replenish financial instruments for protecting tropical forests. Mechanisms already exist but require renewed commitment, especially from G20 countries. The Amazon Fund, in particular, needs support: although the Biden administration pledged <u>\$500 million</u> last year, this commitment has since been withdrawn, meaning Europe must step in.

- Support the implementation of the **Tropical Forest Funding Facility** (TFFF). This Brazilian government initiative proposes an investment fund to support tropical rainforest conservation, moving away from relying on limited public funds. Support from industrialized nations is essential to provide financial guarantees, making the facility attractive to large private investors.

- Expand and increase funding for forest conservation areas as part of the agreed 30x30 goals.

2. Involve the Younger Generation and Systematize Climate Education

- Promote climate education programs and empower young people to actively contribute to climate crisis mitigation.

- Ensure meaningful involvement of young climate advocates in international discussions to shape the future of our climate.



