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"Rise Up!" against the climate crisis and species extinction ([zum Youtube-Video](#))

August RiseUp announces spectacular actions, climate demo and festival

Berlin, August 9, 2021. The program is here! More than 60 movements, associations and NGOs invite all citizens to the climate protest week RiseUp starting August 16 in Berlin. With spectacular actions of civil disobedience, a large colorful demonstration, a registered camp and an occupation of a square, the pressure on the current and future federal government will be increased. Before the start of actions, a [climatic festival](#) will take place on the 14. and 15 August at the Marx Engels forum close to the red city hall in Berlin.

The first day, Monday, Aug. 16, of RiseUp - will begin with a bang in the German capital. Activists invite all interested citizens and people to the occupied square. "The government is failing - so now civil society must stand together against climate catastrophe and species extinction," says Eileen Krauße of Parents for Future from Oberhausen.

"None of the parties represented in the Bundestag have an election program that could effectively counter the consequences of climate heating and the collapse of ecosystems. We are rebelling against this and we will go into civil disobedience. We need a democracy update- we need a powerful citizen assembly," says Nora Schareika of the Extinction Rebellion press team.

The full program can be found here: www.augustriseup.de/programm

Hundreds of people, including celebrities from business, art and science, signed the open letter addressing society, within the first three days. It says: "Too many politicians still haven't understood the seriousness of the situation. The countries of the world have committed to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees at the Paris Climate Agreement. But they are not acting on it."

The letter can be found here: www.augustriseup.de/offener-brief. The letter is available for all people to sign.

Six weeks before the federal election in Germany, the alliance is therefore calling for a systemic change for social and climate justice, as well as a representatively drawn, binding citizens assembly. Part of the alliance are activists of many different climate justice movements, NGOs and associations. The full list can be found here: www.augustriseup.de/wer-wir-sind

"We see Germany and the world facing an unprecedented catastrophe, which in its last consequence threatens our civilization. We are therefore putting pressure on the German government, which is failing to protect us" says Rifka Lambrecht from the Youth Council 'Jugendrat'.

For further information and background discussions in advance, the Extinction Rebellion press team is at your disposal.

Please also get in touch if you would like to get connected to activists that go into action.

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Action hashtags

#ThisGovernmentFails

#RiseUp

What we demand

We demand holistic change for social justice and climate justice. NOW!

For this, we need a representative Citizens assembly selected by lot, connected to the Bundestag. This requires a clear promise of implementation of all results (or institutional anchoring) as well as broad media coverage. This citizens' assembly must be oriented toward the common good and independent of lobbying interests and party strategies, as well as comprehensively informed by experts and those affected. It sets the framework for the necessary social transformation.

At the same time, it is clear that the new government must act immediately, independently of citizens' assemblies, to stop the climate catastrophe with all its social and economic consequences.

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