R39 Biodiversity Merged Resolution: We are Nature and Nature is us (and Green)

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Resolution text

Biodiversity is fundamental to human well-being, a healthy planet, and economic prosperity for all people. The United Nations has acknowledged biodiversity loss as one of the components of the triple planetary crisis. In order to prevent catastrophic consequences, humanity must reduce its impact on ecosystems and wildlife.

We, Green Parties and the Greens Movement resolve to include nature positive and nature focused solutions wherever possible, in our political manifestos and our governing policies.

We call the global leaders and the Greens:

- For the acceleration of the implementation of the Global Biodiversity Framework and its translation into national legislation everywhere possible, as fast as possible.
- For the facilitation of coalitions of Greens and beyond within civil society to push for more nature positive solutions, with the goal of supporting communities and their wellbeing.
- For the creation and mapping of more biological corridors worldwide.

Reason

1. We the Greens support to increase the Kunming-Montréal Global Biodiversity Framework's call for the protection of 30% of biodiversity to 50%.

2. We the Greens endorse focused long-term planning and financing to ensure the proper stewardship of key biodiversity: animal and plant species, waterways and precious ecosystems that serve as bulwarks against extreme climate hardship.

3. We the Greens support the protection and growth of biodiversity in urban areas, so as to ensure a link to Nature that provides wellbeing and a crucial mitigation tool against extreme temperatures.

4. We the Greens support investment in people and programs to transfer knowledge and nature positive solutions from country to country.

5. We the Greens support the protection of forest defenders and indigenous activists, too many of whom are subject to violence and sometimes death.

6. The link between biodiversity and climate change is clear: less biodiversity means more climate hardships, first and foremost for the peoples of the climate frontlines.

7. We the Greens recognise and support the application and implementation of Indigenous traditional knowledge and solutions, as they are now recognized by all, including the United Nations, as key to the preservation of biodiversity worldwide.

8. In that context, we the Greens, affirm that each member party shall develop policy to create biological corridors and nature reserves in consultation with other member parties of Global Greens in neighbouring countries or other relevant organisations.

9. Global Greens shall call for the setting up of a Biodiversity Working Group, similar to the Climate Working Group to coordinate global political lobbying and policy development.

Kunming-Montréal Global Biodiversity Framework of the Convention on Biological Diversity: https://www.cbd.int/gbf/