

## Amsterdam Manifest for a Just Energy Transition



Climate change affects us all, including our children and grandchildren. It has an impact on our jobs, our homes, our natural environment, our mobility as well as our food. This is why everyone needs to be involved in halting climate change; the poor and the rich, private citizens and companies, from the Global North to the Global South.

We call for a **Just Energy Transition**, in which climate polluters pay the true price of pollution and the resulting revenues are used for making climate solutions available to everyone; in which each disappearing 'fossil' job is replaced with at least two decent 'green' jobs. And where local communities own climate solutions. A transition that empowers people is not only just, but is also a prerequisite to limit global warming to well below two degrees Celsius, stimulate clean, local economic development and, thus, halt climate-induced migration.

### From these shared principles of the Just Energy Transition, we call on:

#### *the Dutch government*

- to extend its ambitious domestic climate targets into its foreign policies.
- to revise Dutch international trade and investment agreements accordingly.
- to compel multinationals and other investors to stop their climate-destructive investments, at home and abroad.
- to increase the amount it spends on Climate Finance for developing countries to the fair share of €1.25 billion per year.

#### *the African governments*

- to set policy targets for universal energy access and decentralised renewable energy, and provide a specific government body with the budget and responsibility for achieving those targets.
- to proactively engage private-sector, civil-society and government stakeholders in the development of decentralised renewable energy policy.

#### *all governments from the Global North and Global South*

- to stop any new fossil-fuel extractions, starting with those in nature conservation areas, and reduce current extraction rates to the levels required for achieving the 'Paris' climate targets.
- to charge polluters the true price for climate-damaging economic activities and use the resulting revenues towards climate solutions that drive clean economic productivity and create green jobs.
- to immediately prioritise efforts and financing to scale and accelerate the implementation of decentralised clean energy solutions.
- to support local communities and workers in the transition from fossil jobs to green jobs.
- to ensure that the raw materials needed for the energy transition are mined responsibly.

#### *all citizens in the Global North and Global South*

- to use people power and organise democratic local energy production systems that creates new local business opportunities

### A just climate transition: the need for climate solutions, equality and decent jobs for all

