

Speech about air pollution

Hello we are Laetitia, Kathi and Max and speak for the preservation of our humanity. We are here today to open your eyes, to show you that we need to change our actions radically to make a difference. We used our last free time, which remains for us as students, to show you, what you do to our environment, yourselves and your fellow citizens with your actions and to appeal to you to reconsider your actions. And this brings us to the subject we are dealing with today and which also affects the whole world: air pollution

Every year 7 million people die worldwide as a result of air pollution. It is already the case that the lifetime of a person is reduced by about 3 years due to our current level of air pollution. Because of that we all have to work together to ensure that this number decreases rather than increases. Because this cannot go on like this, we have to be careful that humanity does not become extinct just because so many people are not willing to give up certain things and so constantly increase air pollution. Because not only are we humans confronted with the consequences, but also all ecosystems of animals depend on good air quality, are you aware of that? Because of you, animals are slaughtered to satisfy your needs. Then you could at least protect these animals and give them a life with clean air and therefore also good ecosystems, most of which do not live long because of us humans. Is that really too much to ask?

The coal-fired power stations of the industry, the excessive traffic by cars, aviation and shipping, the chemical fertilization and pesticides in agriculture are factors that ruin the clean air and, in the end, also all mammals to which we humans belong. Even in our own household we find things that are radically harmful to the air, such as cooking, heating and lighting. And most of these things are simply luxury goods that everybody could well do without. You just have to want it! Because the fumes that pollute the air are like the bullets in a gun that you hold to your own head and the heads of others.

Air pollution causes fatal strokes, air pollution causes heart disease, air pollution causes respiratory disease, air pollution not only damages our health but also warms our climate massively, air pollution causes, among other things, the earth to warm up to the point where it will be uninhabitable in the near future. So, I ask you: Do you really want to give yourself your fatal shot? Do you really want to push yourself and future generations down the abyss? Because I don't want that !

In China and India, for example, most people are already wearing face masks, because if they breathed the air there, they would directly suffer health damage. I don't think you want this to be normal in the whole world. So start acting. Now!

You have to stop being so selfish, you just have to stop acting on your comfort. And if you really only want to be egoistic, then remember: protecting the air and the climate is also selfish. You protect the air and climate so YOU don't die. So instead of driving by car to avoid time pressure and to have the best comfort, you should travel by public transport, instead of ordering everything comfortably from your sofa at home, you should get up and go to the store on your own, instead taking the plane four times a year, book a holiday nearby where you can get easily and quickly by other types of transport. Stop lighting the rooms where you don't need light, but only light the rooms where you are, heat only when you need it, instead of wasting the heat through open windows or heating rooms you don't enter, spend some more money for food that comes from natural sources instead of saving money on food that is pumped up with pesticides and chemical fertilizers. Spend more money on items that are individually handcrafted rather than buying mass produced items from industries for the sake of saving money. Because the more of you support the industries that put poisonous carbon dioxide into the air and the more support the farmers that pump their food and our earth with pesticides and chemical fertilizers, by buying only their goods to save money, the more goods they have to produce and the more they pollute the air. The air I breathe is the air you breathe. It's the air we all breathe. Is it worth all the money you save if you end up destroying yourself and the earth? There are so many ways we can save the air and our planet. All we have to do is act. Now. Or do you want to be jointly responsible for the death of humanity? Because this is exactly what you will achieve with your ignorance and selfishness. Acting selfishly and consistently not leaving your comfort zone, which could help the climate is like shooting yourself or others. In the end you are responsible for your own death or the death of future generations. Is that really what you want to achieve? Besides, I'm not prepared for my children to suffer from climate change and air pollution because of us, humanity, or do you want that?

So: Respiratory diseases, strokes, heart disease and the destruction of our planet. All of this is caused by industry, transport, unnatural agriculture and excessive waste of energy in, among other things, our own homes, because these things fundamentally pollute our air.

You have to realize that you have your future, the survival of your planet and your fellow citizens and animals in your hands. And therefore, we ask you to change your attitude, because otherwise our earth, which really gives us everything, will become a dead planet because all mammals have become extinct due to air pollution and the resulting global warming. So, get out of your comfort zone and act. Now!