

Mr. Prime Minister,

Greece is changing, but not for the better.

From unregulated construction and waste, to so-called “protected” areas that exist only in papers, environmental degradation has become the norm. Forests burn every summer without precaution, prevention or lessons learned. Spatial planning remains neglected, while the footprint of overtourism on our islands continues to grow.

And while the climate crisis demands a clear energy transition, the country insists on fossil fuel exploration and new infrastructure, even within Natura2000 areas. Greece is accumulating convictions from the European Court of Justice for environmental violations, yet we continue as if we do not know, as if we do not care.

This needs to stop. Nature is not an obstacle to development. It is the foundation of our very existence and a prerequisite for a good quality of life with its own value.

Mr. Prime Minister, your role is crucial.

We call on you to:

- Align the country with the International and European environmental obligations
- Proceed with consistent spatial planning that ends the notion that Greece is just one vast construction field
- Ensure a truly effective and protected Natura 2000 network
- Abandon plans for hydrocarbon exploration and redesign the renewable energy policy with respect for nature and local communities
- Invest seriously in wildfire prevention and management

If we want to have a reason to celebrate World Environment Day in the future, the time for action is now.

The responsibility is your.



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