

Religions for Peace
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Female Religious Leaders push for Environmental Protection

What does harmony between human beings and nature mean? Nature can exist without us, but we cannot exist without nature. Although nature provides humans with everything they need to live, humans are in the process of destroying nature – thus endangering their own existence. In 2020, the Corona crisis captured the global attention of people and the media. At the same time, however, fires all over the world destroyed forests of unimaginable scope and threatened the homes of countless people. The connection between humans and the environment plays a major role in interreligious dialogue, and becomes especially evident considering that the canons of all world religions agree that nature must be protected.

Would you like to learn more about the importance of environmental protection in religious communities? Would you like to talk to one or more experts from the *Religions for Peace* movement, which has long practiced, promoted and expanded environmental protection in religious communities?

We suggest the following interview partners:

[Clara Mayer](#), Spokesperson, [Fridays for Future Germany](#), Feminist and Environmental Activist, GERMANY

[Ms. Blanca Lucía Echeverry](#), Country Facilitator, [Interfaith Rainforest Initiative](#), COLOMBIA
Mobilised parliamentarians in Colombia to include legislation in the National Development Plan to protect rainforests and uphold indigenous sovereignty over land. Only Spanish interviews (unless written).

[Prof. Mary Evelyn Tucker](#), Co-Founder and Co-Director of the Yale Forum on Religion and Ecology, UNITED STATES. Author of *Journey of the Universe* (Yale 2011) and executive producer of the Emmy award winning PBS Film [Journey of the Universe](#).

The current virtual *Assembly on Women, Faith and Diplomacy of Religions for Peace and Ring for Peace* brings together experts in environmental and climate protection. Over 600 attendees from more than 90 countries are taking part. The environmental protection is a main focus of the conference, which must be considered all the more urgent, in view of the phenomena of recent years, such as large-scale forest fires, periods of drought and extreme weather conditions, species extinction and the spread of animal epidemics.

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