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Injustice kills Climate change actions

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USPA NEWS - The record number of countries set to sign the Paris Agreement in New York on April 22 signals the next step towards the Agreement coming into force and a critical juncture in a global effort to ensure lasting hopes for secure and peaceful, human development. Injustice kills effective climate action

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The remaining goals which look to achieve equality, education and justice for all will also fail unless that aspiration includes equal opportunity to take climate action, knowledge and skills on how to do so and a just protection from the impacts of climate change within and between nations. For example, ensuring women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life has been shown to be a particularly effective catalyst of climate action, including in poorest, most vulnerable countries. Climate change impacts inequality because the most disadvantaged groups are particularly affected by climate hazards. It is a known statistic that when they are socially or economically disadvantaged, more women die in hurricanes and floods. "There is no longer climate action and development action, only sustainable, low-carbon action," said Christiana Figueres. "Growth can and must be decoupled from fossil fuel consumption and impacts." "The only plausible path after Paris is to direct human ingenuity, innovation and implementation towards sustainable, low-carbon growth and development." Source UNFCCC

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