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Editorial

Most of us have settled in their February routine of teaching, research and institutional duties - all while the Netherlands and the rest of the world seem more unpredictable than ever. We keep doing what we can: many of us joined for the **(support) demo at the A12** last month, and we keep the discussions on **fossil-free finance**, **demonstration rights** and more going on all levels within and outside of our institutions.

In this newsletter, you find info on what's going on nationally and at other institutions, as well as invitations for events and info on new ways to get involved. Enjoy the read!

PS I did you see that Fossielvrij NL is currently running the action [#BreekMetBlackRock](#)? If you work at a Dutch education institution, you likely build up your pension at ABP. And just like many others pension funds, ABP invests your money through BlackRock, an organisation that is notorious for investing in fossil industries. Join Fossielvrij NL and send your pension fund a letter through [this website!](#)

PS II last month, S4F moved to BlueSky... And we already have over 500 followers! Have you found us here yet? [Come and join!](#)

Invitation: national meeting 13 February

It's time for another national meeting on **Thursday 13 February**, 20:00 on Zoom. You can find the link to the meeting on Slack. Or [send us an e-mail](#) to receive one!

On the agenda: S4F's work and societal/political developments and internal matters such as the onboarding process. As always there's space for everyone's input, so make sure to join and bring your topics to the table!

By the way: don't forget this semester's in-person meeting on 18 May, we hope to see you there!



Paris Agreement 2015-2025

2025 marks 10 years since the signing of the Paris Agreement by 196 parties at COP21. We have since passed the 1.5 temperature increase limit, as has been covered in many media. We'll be writing more about this over the course of the year, but will start off with some background info in this newsletter:

- [What is the Paris Agreement?](#) - by the UN
- [Crucial moments for climate policymaking](#) - in Dutch, by Argos
- [Factcheck on the acceleration in global warming](#) - by CarbonBrief
- [Many countries, including the EU, are missing their climate deadlines](#) - in The Guardian

What else should we cover? [Let us know](#) if you have tips or questions!

Invitation: climate marathon

Friday morning, 20 June: the second Climate Marathon!

You will complete the half, full or the XL Climate Marathon with a team of 3 to 7 people. Would you like to take part, but is your team not complete (3 to 7 people) yet? Then register anyway to benefit from the Early Bird Discount.

There are 3 starting locations, Amersfoort, Hilversum and the KNMI site in De Bilt. If you want to start at the KNMI site be quick as the number of starting places is limited. We will share the site with 2,500 cyclists from Cycling 4 Climate.

If you cannot make it on 20 June but would still like to 'climate run', order the one and only Running 4 Climate shirt!

Website for runners: [www.klimaatmarathon.nl](#)

Website for cyclists: [www.cycling4climate.nl](#)

Questions? [Send us an e-mail!](#)



RUNNING 4 CLIMATE

Klimaatmarathon

VRIJDAG 20 JUNI 2025




Schrijf je nu in!

Loop en fiets met een team van 3-7 personen

27 of 30 km
Halve Klimaatmarathon

42, 45 (of 47) km
Hele Klimaatmarathon

66 km
Klimaatmarathon XL



Invitation: lecture & discussion about science and activism (in Dutch)

Hoe activistisch mag een wetenschapper zijn? Door [Studium Generale](#)

In een toga de snelweg blokkeren of vurige opiniestukken schrijven. We zien steeds meer activistische wetenschappers. Volgens oceanograaf prof. Erik van Sebille (UU) is dat een goede zaak, maar alleen als ze zich uitspreken over onderwerpen waarover wetenschappelijke consensus bestaat. Filosoof en econoom prof. Ingrid Robeyns (UU) is het daar niet mee eens. Een gesprek over hun activisme, de strijd tegen populisme en vertrouwen in de wetenschap.

In het kort:

Wat: Lezing en gesprek over wetenschap en activisme

Wanneer: 3 maart 2025 van 20:00-21:30

Waar: het academiegebouw van de Universiteit Utrecht

Toegang: Gratis

Meer info: [website](#)

Green resolutions: February edition

What's better than inspiring each other? In January, we asked you to send us your **green new year's resolutions** so that we can inspire each other and keep improving during the year. Let's continue trying to make 2025 a more sustainable year, together!

February's green resolution: changing to Ecosia as a search engine. Ecosia can be used as a plugin in a wide variety of browsers, so you don't have to compromise on functionality or privacy while browsing. Read more about Ecosia [here](#).

Do you want to share your resolution too? Send us an [e-mail](#), and we'll feature your resolution in a newsletter, too!

Reading, watching and listening tips

Podcast suggestion from Marjan: being a climate activist can be exhausting and emotionally draining in the face of continuing CO2 emissions, unfolding disasters, political inaction, climate activist criminalisation and increased police violence. To keep despair at bay and help you stay energized, try the work of Joanna Macy and listen to the podcast [We Are the Great Turning](#) from the Work That Reconnects Network. Each episode features a heartfelt, intimate dialogue between Joanna Macy and her friend, activist Jessica Serrante.

Paper of the month: [System impacts of wind energy developments: Key research challenges and opportunities](#), a review that covers the main challenges of wind energy. In [this interview](#), the first author explains that factors such as recycling and noise pollution can be challenging for wider and better implementation, but not as much as the public perception of wind energy production.

Do you want to share something you read, saw or listened to with other newsletter readers? Send us an e-mail at [contact@scientists4future.nl!](#)

Upcoming events

February

- 13 February: national meeting ([Zoom](#))
- 17 February: workshop series **Beyond Cutting the Ties part II** (in Wageningen)
- 28 February: early-bird deadline for the [climate marathon](#) and [climate classic](#) (both on 20 June)

March

- 3 March, 20:00-21:30: lecture & discussion on science and activism in Utrecht ([info](#))
- 14 March: national meeting ([Zoom](#))
- 17 March: workshop series **Beyond Cutting the Ties part III** (in Wageningen)

April

- 14 April: national meeting ([Zoom](#))

May

- 18 May: national meeting (in-person in Utrecht, 13:00)

June

- 17 June: national meeting ([Zoom](#))
- 20 June: [climate marathon](#) and [climate classic](#)

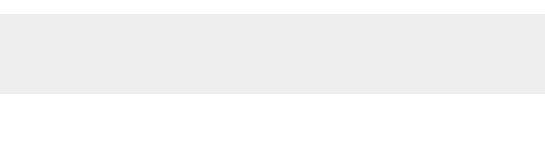
Get involved!



Are you a subscriber to this newsletter who is not yet actively involved in S4F NL? Curious to find out more about what S4F does and how you can contribute? Chances are that there's an active S4F chapter where you are based!

Read about the places and ways in which S4F works for a better climate on [our website](#) and get in touch via [contact@scientists4future.nl!](#)

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