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Editorial

Spring is slowly approaching and many S4F subgroups are gearing up for action, be that through doing collective research, writing letters to governments and representatives, or by organising actions, petitions and demonstrations. Read all about upcoming events and ways to participate in this newsletter!

Sign SR's Science solidarity statement

Sign [Scientist Rebellion NL's petition](#) to:

- show solidarity with US-based or -related scientists that are affected by the current US government, and
- show concern for how the changes in policy will affect science and scientists in the US and abroad, now and in the generations to come, and
- call on EU politicians to protect researchers and research infrastructure.

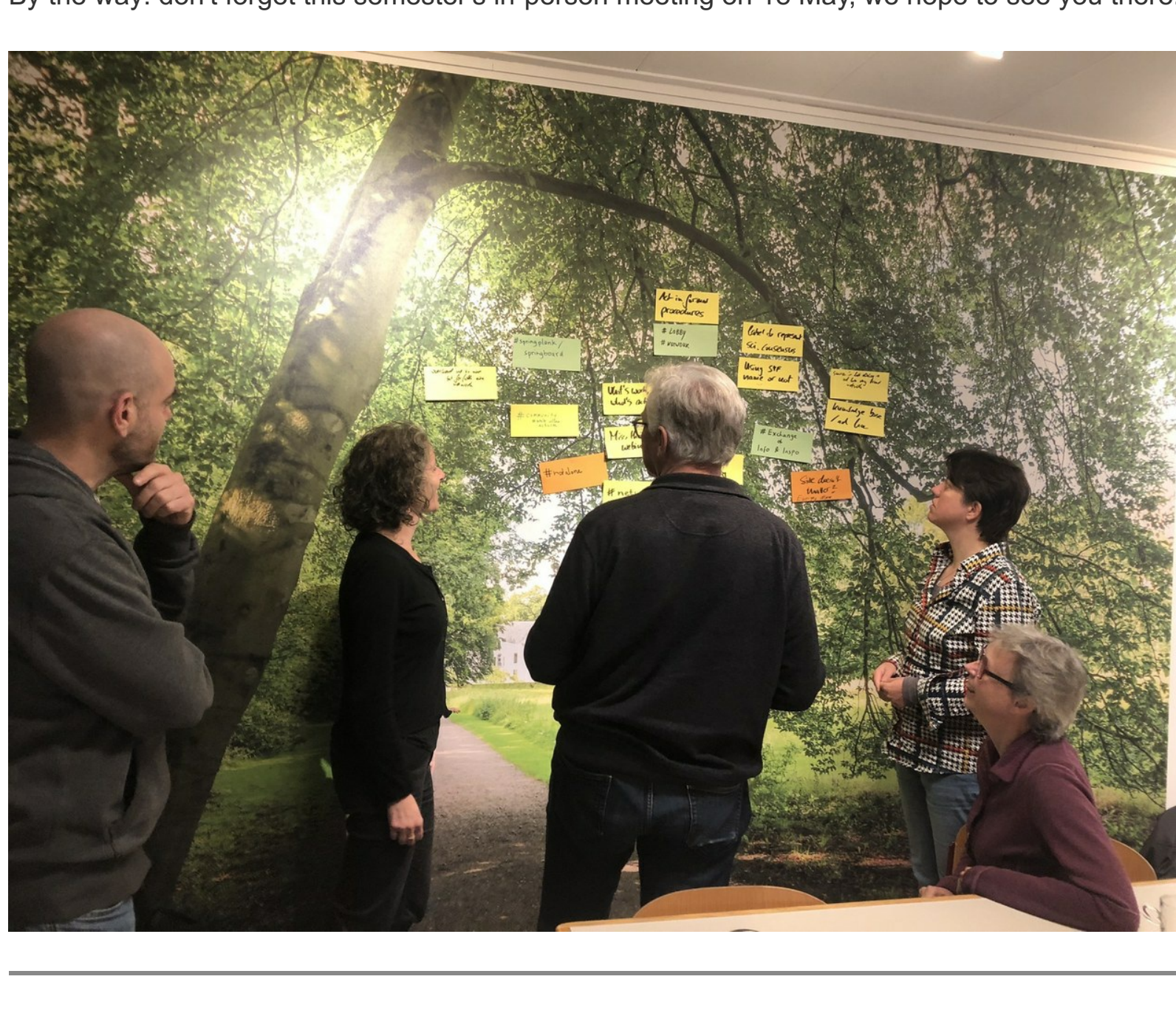
You find the petition [here](#).

Invitation: national meeting 14 March

It's time for another national meeting on **Friday 14 March**, 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 working groups on (among other things) the Elsevier letter, the energy transition and S4F's way forward with regard to political developments. As always, there'll be plenty of opportunity to discuss anything you want to bring to the table!

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



News from Utrecht: assessment framework for fossil research in place

Utrecht University has now established its long-awaited framework for assessment of research projects and other partnerships with fossil fuel companies, and it's not quite what was promised 1,5 years ago.

Not alone can the criteria themselves be debated, but there's plenty of room for exceptions too. Next to that, the actual climatic impact of approved projects are not being reviewed, making transparent evaluation of the framework difficult. Read all about it in UU's newspaper [DUB](#).

Invitation: new S4F team on the future of energy

By Arjen Markus

The energy transition - getting the Netherlands ready for 2030 with a serious reduction of CO2 emissions and even more so in 2050 - will cost a large sum of money, something in the order of 190 billion euros. Besides wind and solar energy, there is also talk of building new nuclear power plants to have a reliable supply of energy. Just now, the news is [that municipalities are interested in so-called small nuclear reactors](#), as an alternative. But these reactors only exist on paper.

The question is, besides nuclear power not being really green: is it wise to invest in nuclear power instead of giving priority to such measures as reducing the energy consumption and expanding the electricity network? Let us put the data together. Of course, it is a vast subject, but can we make the discussion more concrete? Can we clarify the economic aspects? If you are interested in helping out, let us know through [an e-mail](#)!

Invitation: Reading Marathon for Climate Justice Education @VU

The Scientist Rebellion / Scientists for Future group at the VU are organizing the "Reading Marathon for Climate Justice Education" on **14-17 April**.

For a week, scientists, students, and other personnel continuously read academic literature on the climate crisis out loud, in the entry hall of the VU's main building. The core message of the reading marathon is: every student has the right to learn how climate breakdown will affect their lives and careers, and how they can act for a just future. Therefore we demand that the VU integrates climate justice education in every curriculum.

Would you like to participate in the reading marathon, for example by signing up for a 30 minute reading "shift", or by promoting it with your colleagues? Then [send an e-mail to the coordinator](#)!

Invitation: lecture & discussion about climate obstruction (in Dutch)

Hoe grote vervuilers klimaatbeleid tegenwerken. Door [Studium Generale](#)

Klimaatontkenning, vertraging en greenwashing. Grote vervuilers zijn zeer succesvol in het tegenhouden van klimaatbeleid. Cultureel geograaf dr. Martijn Duineveld (WUR) brengt deze 'klimaatobstructie' in kaart en laat zien dat niet alleen bedrijven, maar ook universiteiten er onbewust aan meedoen. Filosoof dr. Mario Veen (Hogeschool Utrecht) vertelt hoe subtiel en mainstream klimaatdesinformatie eigenlijk is.

In het kort:

Wat: lezing en gesprek over wetenschap en activisme

Wanneer: 11 maart 2025 van 20:00-21:30

Waar: het academiegebouw van de Universiteit Utrecht of via de [livestream](#)

Toegang: gratis

Meer info: [website](#)

Upcoming events

March

- 14 March: national meeting ([Zoom](#))
- 17 March: workshop series **Beyond Cutting the Ties part III** (in Wageningen)

April

- 5 April: A12 [protest](#) and [support demo](#)
- 8 April: art and climate conference [CARAVANE](#) (in Amsterdam)
- 14 April: national meeting ([Zoom](#))
- 14 - 17 April: Reading Marathon for Climate Justice Education (in Amsterdam)

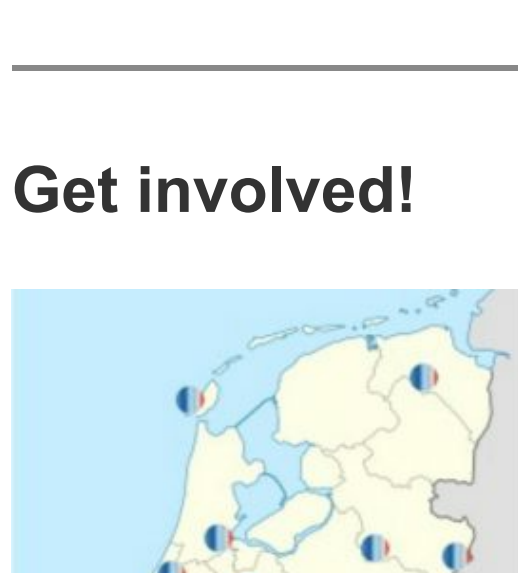
May

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

June

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

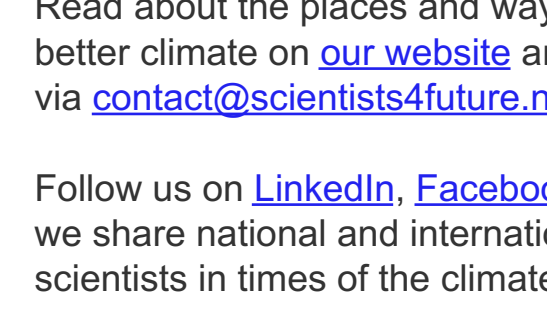
Get involved!



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!

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