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## Press release

### **G20: International platform of foundations and philanthropy calls upon the G20 Heads to increase actions on climate change and future resilience**

**New Delhi, June 8<sup>th</sup>:** The [Foundations Platform F20](#) encompassing more than 80 foundations mainly from the G20 countries today calls upon the G20 Heads of State to take more action on climate protection and on the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. As described in the list of recommendations published today in Delhi, “climate change impacts are escalating and the G20 countries are in the driver’s seat on a road towards either a planet unliveable for human beings or a future-oriented scenario that keeps average temperature increase below the dangerous benchmark of 1.5°C”. The G20 (and the G7 as subgroup of the G20) should throw its political and economic weight behind those developments that seek to stop the burning of fossil resources, replace it with renewable sources, increase efforts to protect and restore nature and establish sustainable and affordable food systems, according to F20.

The list of [F20 recommendations](#) to the G20 calls upon the G20 Heads of State to set clear measurable, Paris-aligned goals and to deliver on what has been decided at last year’s G20 Summit in Indonesia. The F20 also stated that many foundations and philanthropic organisations are already supporting efforts to achieve global net zero as reiterated in the Bali declaration of 2022. Setting a G20 renewable energy power generation target of 70% by 2030 and strengthening international partnerships is vital next to protecting 30 percent landmass and 30 percent of the world’s oceans by 2030.

The annual flagship event of the Foundations Platform F20, the Climate Solutions Forum gathered more than 170 guests on site and many online attendees today in India’s capital New Delhi to discuss most pressing global challenges including the global uptake of renewable energy, increasing community resilience and the mobilization of financial resources. The international event was hosted by the [Foundations Platform F20](#) and [Dasra](#) together with the co-host [Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation](#). The event was supported by the network partners [Asian Venture Philanthropy Network \(AVPN\)](#), [Centre for Asian Philanthropy and Society \(CAPS\)](#) and [Climate RISE](#).

#### **KLAUS MILKE (F20 Chair):**

*“It is essential and inevitable to look at the G20 as a group that holds the keys for sustainable development and climate action. Foundations and philanthropy can play their part. It is about time to join forces and to embark on a joint mission of making the SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement a reality. The spotlight is now on this year’s G20 Summit in New Delhi in September 9 + 10. ”*



**NEERA NUNDY (F20 Co-Chair, DASRA):**

*"The intersectional lens of climate change and its numerous challenges for humanity must translate into collective community led actions. Local empowered communities are most critical in combatting climate change and building their resilience. It's a global responsibility to support the most vulnerable in India, where climate change deeply affects cities, livelihoods, health and nature."*

**VATSALA JOSEPH (Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation)**

*"New India 2047 requires a development path which has no historical precedent or ready lessons that can be drawn from developed countries. India must carve out its own niche, become a harbinger of the new economic growth. The country's victories and triumphs will lead the way for the developing world (Global South) to pioneer pathways for sustainable economic progress. As Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation, we seek to catalyse climate inspired systemic solutions in collaboration with decision makers drawn from policy making, civil society, academia, and industry. Implementing and expanding such partnerships remains one of the most effective and sustainable tools for addressing climate change."*

**ILHAM HABIBIE (F20 Co-Chair, Habibie Center)**

*"Energy partnerships can be an important lever for unlocking finance and for investment security for the local energy sector. Indonesia has therefore also benefitted from the decision to establish a multilateral Just Energy Transition Partnership."*

F20 welcomes India's presidency approach on LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) as an important point of departure to unlock new G20 growth strategies that will yield systemic change, rethink resource efficiency and redefine growth. This involves fostering more ambitious circular economy measures and accelerating the green transition, particularly in the construction and mobility sector. To translate action into robust policies, F20 suggests the establishment of a G20 Mission LiFE Task Force to develop concrete policy recommendations and implementation plans.

To advance community resilience, the G20 as multilateral forum must integrate community voices in the process of planning and developing adaptation, mitigation and resilience efforts. F20 underscores the need to overcome any either/or thinking and embrace the intersectionality of climate by fighting poverty and food security, providing access to clean water, sanitation, and safe housing and increasing health and promoting education to ensure everyone on this planet a decent living. It is of utmost importance that the G20 countries provide climate finance for adaptation and mitigation in a more equitable, sustainable, and accessible way.



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The Foundations Platform F20 is a network of more than 80 foundations from over 20 countries that work with the G20 countries for the implementation of the UN Sustainability Goals and compliance with the Paris Climate Agreement. The platform was launched in Hamburg in 2017 on the occasion of the G20 summit. This year's F20 Climate Solutions Forum was hosted by the [Foundations Platform F20](#) and [Dasra](#) together with the co-host [Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation](#). The event was supported by the network partners [Asian Venture Philanthropy Network \(AVPN\)](#), [Centre for Asian Philanthropy and Society \(CAPS\)](#) and [Climate RISE](#).