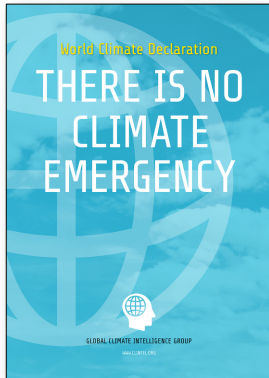


World Climate Declaration<sup>1</sup>

# There is no climate emergency

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*Climate “science” should be less political, while climate “policies” should be more scientific. In particular, scientists should emphasize that their modeling output is not the result of magic: computer models are human-made. What comes out is fully dependent on what theoreticians and programmers*

*have put in: hypotheses, assumptions, relationships, parameterizations, stability constraints, etc. Unfortunately, in mainstream climate science most of this input is undeclared.*

*To believe the outcome of a climate model is to believe what the model makers have put in. This is precisely the problem of today’s climate discussion to which climate models are central. Climate science has degenerated into a discussion based on beliefs, not on sound self-critical science. Should not we free ourselves from the naive belief in immature climate models? In future, climate research must give significantly more emphasis to empirical science.*

## **Natural as well as anthropogenic factors cause warming**

The geological archive reveals that Earth’s climate has varied as long as the planet has existed, with natural cold and warm phases. The Little Ice Age ended as recently as 1850. Therefore, it is no surprise that we now are experiencing a period of warming.

## **Warming is far slower than predicted**

The world has warmed significantly less than predicted by IPCC on the basis of modeled anthropogenic forcing. The gap between the real

world and the modeled world tells us that we are far from understanding climate change.

## **Climate policy relies on inadequate models**

Climate models have many shortcomings and are not remotely plausible as policy tools. They do not only exaggerate the effect of greenhouse gases, they also ignore the fact that enriching the atmosphere with CO<sub>2</sub> is beneficial.

## **CO<sub>2</sub> is plant food, the basis of all life on Earth**

CO<sub>2</sub> is not a pollutant. It is essential to all life on Earth. More CO<sub>2</sub> is favorable for nature, greening our planet. Additional CO<sub>2</sub> in the air has promoted growth in global plant biomass. It is also profitable for agriculture, increasing the yields of crops worldwide.

## **Global warming has not increased natural disasters**

There is no statistical evidence that global warming is intensifying hurricanes, floods, droughts and suchlike natural disasters, or making them more frequent. However, there is ample evidence that CO<sub>2</sub>-mitigation measures are as damaging as they are costly.

## **Climate policy must respect scientific and economic realities**

There is no climate emergency. Therefore, there is no cause for panic and alarm. We strongly oppose the harmful and unrealistic net-zero CO<sub>2</sub> policy proposed for 2050. If better approaches emerge, and they certainly will, we have ample time to reflect and re-adapt. The aim of global policy should be ‘prosperity for all’ by providing reliable and affordable energy at all times. In a prosperous society men and women are well educated, birthrates are low and people care about their environment.

## **Epilogue**

The *World Climate Declaration* (WCD) has brought a large variety of competent scientists together from all over the world. The considerable knowledge and experience of this group is

<sup>1</sup> The “World Climate Declaration” was initiated in 2019 by emeritus professor *Guus Berkhout*, founder of the *Dutch Climate Intelligence Foundation* (CLINTEL). The list of signatories is a living document that is regularly updated with new additions. A global network of over 1400 scientists and professionals has prepared this urgent message. The most up-to-date version can be found on [www.clintel.org](http://www.clintel.org).

indispensable in reaching a balanced, dispassionate and competent view of climate change. *In this context, it is not the number of experts but the quality of the arguments that counts.*

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Sources: <https://clintel.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/WCD-version-100122.pdf> and <https://clintel.org/world-climate-declaration/>

From now onward the group is going to function as "Global Climate Intelligence Group". The CLINTEL Group will give solicited and unsolicited advice on climate change and energy transition to governments and companies worldwide.