

# By2020WeRiseUp – Newsletter May 2020

*Corona is here, and so are we!*

Lockdowns are getting eased – for people’s sakes, or for the economy’s?  
 What does that mean for us, as climate justice movements?  
 Which plans are on the table, which ones are calls for coordination & acting together, which calendar are we starting to look at?

Drawing from the past calls, here is the beginning of an answer, coming out of everyone’s plans.  
 Hope you enjoy the read!  
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*Note: as always, don’t hesitate to*

- *check the extensive minutes from European calls [here](#).*
- *let us know about your plans so that we can share & relay them, for example on [social media](#)*
- *join the next European call (to receive information, subscribe to the info list by writing to [by2020we@riseup.net](mailto:by2020we@riseup.net) )*

# Looking ahead

## Frames for taking action together

### June – call to get back to the streets

From the Iberian Peninsula comes a proposal to take (safe & effective) action together at first on the 5<sup>th</sup> and/or 6<sup>th</sup> of June, and see if there is potential to turn this into a month of action taking back the streets.

Another date mentioned as building in the was the 18<sup>th</sup> of June, next European Summit.

Public calls will be organized soon – stay tuned!

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In the meantime, to get a first impression, [see a first presentation here](#).

### Summer

Droughts and fires to be expected, therefore as many potential trigger events to get a step closer to system change. It might also be that a second wave of Corona strikes.

Protests against governmental measures, restriction of liberties, and bailouts for the ones causing (financial) crises in the system could be expected, especially if people can't travel to go on holidays.

Therefore, the summer might not be as “off” as it sometimes is, even without climate camps.

NB: the next By2020 European meeting is still for now planned for the first days of July in Basel, Switzerland. The Corona situation will determine whether it stays as such, or if it goes online. If you want to help support or organize, do get in touch! [by2020we@riseup.net](mailto:by2020we@riseup.net)

### Autumn – potential for a fourth wave?

#### *Glasgow agreement*

The purpose of the Glasgow Agreement is to create a new, alternative, coordinated and escalating political power for the climate justice movement, and to reclaim the initiative from governments and international institutions (the COP process). Substitute institutional impotence for social power through an agreement between social movements and organizations to take matters into their own hands by implementing locally defined plan for massive emissions cuts through civil disobedience and a politics of climate justice.

Contact: [glasgowagreement@riseup.net](mailto:glasgowagreement@riseup.net)

## **COP26-UK-coalition**

UK COP26 Coalition decision after COP postponement still to be decided but discussing a digital mass action on 13th/14th A COP26 Coalition international call will take place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May. More info: [lise.masson13@gmail.com](mailto:lise.masson13@gmail.com)

## **EU-Mercosur agreement**

Many groups and organizations are getting ready to fight it in the autumn. More info: [by2020we@riseup.net](mailto:by2020we@riseup.net)

## **Autumn wave & consensus from Brussels**

In Brussels we understood the necessity to take back the power on climate action. There was a tactical proposal to occupy places of power, to hold assemblies there and to offer that space to other struggles. We also understand the need to include in our objectives, narrative and communication radical solidarity as well as to talk about neocolonialism, food security and food safety and the trade agreements.

A mandate was given to a working group for a possible 4th wave based on reached consensus. That working group is going to start soon. We are also covering this subject in the European calls. Get in touch if you're interested!

# **Latest updates**

*(for a more detailed list, based on the previous newsletter, see at the end. You'll find, for instance, a proposal from Code Rood to work together on bailouts!)*

## **Ongoing in spite of lockdown**

- **Bailouts out!** A networked group throughout **Spain** will be working on the new corporate bailout from the EU while people are left with dealing with debt + public debt. Contact: [prensa@odg.cat](mailto:prensa@odg.cat).  
**Code Rood** (Netherlands) has also started the process of working on them and compiling information, to work on a possible people's bailout campaign. Contact: [info@code-rood.org](mailto:info@code-rood.org)
- Protests against bailouts for the **airline industry** (eg: against the Swiss airline) #SavePeopleNotPlanes and the **car industry**, among others.
- **Camps** from Fridays for Future in Germany and Austria to protest governmental (in)action

- Examples of **hunger strikes** for climate or refugees rights. See: [@end\\_ecocide](#)
- **One-people actions**. See an example [here](#). Contact: [daniel.nyitray@greenpeace.org](mailto:daniel.nyitray@greenpeace.org)
- **Demonstrations** while respecting social distancing (e.g. what we saw for the 1<sup>st</sup> of May in many countries, or the [critical mass](#) organized in Vienna on the same occasion)
- **“no one” actions**: banners, chalk, spray, [signs](#), [lights & shadows](#) etc.
- Call for **#ChallengeForFuture** actions in Switzerland on [Friday the 15<sup>th</sup>](#)
- [#JustRecovery](#), [#Peoplesbailouts](#), [#FightEveryCrisis](#)
- Call for **People’s Assemblies** by XR Germany.
- **Demonstrations** (mostly based on social demands) starting in different countries as lockdown gets eased. *NB: increasing number of demonstrations from far-right and conspiracy-theorist adepts too.*
- **Shell Must Fall** day of (decentralized) actions on 19<sup>th</sup> of May. See: [@shellmustfall](#)
- **Block Baltic Pipe!** Against “Denmark’s most idiotic fossil infrastructure project” <https://www.balticpipe.net/en/>, join a skillskare and action weekend in south Sjælland (6th-8th of June). To participate: [Bpactioncampdk@protonmail.com](mailto:Bpactioncampdk@protonmail.com).

## Webinars

- Find an exciting list of webinars from the **European Changemarkers** project [here!](#)  
Next dates: 14th May, 20th May, 27th May, 3rd June, 10th June, 17th June
- Proposal for a webinar on **“How to conduct safe actions”** in the context of Corona and trying to get back to the streets. Get in touch: [karl.andreasson@greenpeace.org](mailto:karl.andreasson@greenpeace.org)
- Live webinar from **Shell Must Fall** on Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> : “A Future Beyond Shell Presents: A Future Beyond Crises”. See [@shellmustfall](#)
- **“How to do a small group action”** – from the German group Zucker im Tank. See [here](#) for more info.

## Sharing Plans

To avoid making this newsletter **as long as the previous one**, we haven’t copied again all the actions and plans that were shared the last time. However (!! ) you can still **find them all here**, under point 3 “Sharing plans”:

[https://by2020weriseup.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/By2020\\_Newsletter\\_April-2020.pdf](https://by2020weriseup.net/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/By2020_Newsletter_April-2020.pdf)

You will find info regarding **resources, webinars, climate camps, actions (online and offline), pressure campaigns, targeting banks and finance** etc. !

# Next steps

## Next newsletter

**Keep the information flowing!** We'd like to keep on advertising actions and plans as much as possible and are aiming at circulating a similar newsletter (less packed probably) around beginning of May. You have plans you're burning to share after spending tons of time working on them? Let us know!! [by2020we@riseup.net](mailto:by2020we@riseup.net)

## Social Media

As a platform, we aim at **sharing as widely as possible what is happening to help grow impact**, coordination and communication. One of the easiest way to do so are social media - don't hesitate to reach out if you want us to share there what you are doing! See [Twitter](#) or other [Social Media](#).

## Next European call

Will take place between the 21<sup>st</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of May. To receive the invitation, sign up to our info list: [by2020we@riseup.net](mailto:by2020we@riseup.net)

## Whatever you want to work on

Would you like to chat about your burning questions with other groups? [Join us in Riot!](#) You can create new rooms if you want to. To ask for tech support, write to: [snn\[at\]riseup.net](mailto:snn[at]riseup.net).

