

Project Green Challenge 2023 – Day 27 Greener Category

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Consider 4 to 5 topics you are passionate about and create your own political platform. These issues can range anywhere from environmental justice to water rights, or sustainable farming to plastics. Feel free to be creative with your presentation; an essay, video, podcast, infographic or medium of your choice.

These are my five topics of interest that revolve around the environment and social justice.

1. Energy. We must transition to renewable energies and legislate for people to have access to these alternatives. The world can't keep burning fossil fuels that pollute the environment and endanger public health.
2. Water. The Water Department in Mexico requires a deep organizational change in operation and legislation. A strong campaign with enough resources is critical to deliver maintenance to infrastructure and plan for climate related shortages.
3. Biodiversity and Natural Protected Areas. The ecosystem services we get through the Natural Capital are invaluable and should be protected against land use change and illegal practices like mining, logging, and hunting.
4. Transportation. Even though I'm biased towards cities, the world needs to start phasing out on car dependency both in infrastructure and quantity. More efficient and sustainable modes of transportation already exist, and societies need to embrace them.
5. Bring the food industry to comply with health requirements. Again, a strong campaign with sustained education to the population about the dangers of ultra processed foods. Food industry is not a bad idea, but they need to be responsible to the consumers and deliver healthy products, we must also phase out on excessive junk and fast food.

Once you've finished, go on a digital search for the person that represents your beliefs. This can be an individual from any government around the world. Write another 3-4 sentences on how you agree with their views and want to show them support.

I would have to pick Dr. José Sarukhan, he's a Mexican biologist who proposed the creation of the National Commission for Biodiversity (CONABIO) in 1992 to safeguard, learn from, and do a sustainable use of the Mexican Natural Capital. He's the honorary Coordinator of this Commission, and a science advisor to the federal government. He's been successful in advocating for the Natural Capital in the political sphere since CONABIO serves as an advisory board to other Federal Departments like Agriculture, Natural Protected Areas, and Environment and Natural Resources.

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