

# EARTH PROTECTOR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION – DECLARATION

In declaring (name of EI) an Earth Protector School/College/University, this institution undertakes to collaborate and cooperate with local communities, councils, local government bodies and educational and other organisations to protect land, air, wildlife, soil and water and work towards becoming carbon neutral by 2030. The School/College/University considers the repercussions of its decisions and rigorous care is observed to avoid environmental harm in the exercise of its functions.

To protect the Earth, (name of EI) will;

Endorse, support and, through the publication of this declaration, raise awareness amongst students and staff of the Earth Protector movement which campaigns to amend the Rome statute and declare ecocide\* a crime at the International Criminal Court (ICC), and encourage all to sign up to become Earth Protectors.

Produce a strategy for the institution's operations, including a date - ideally 2030, to achieve a carbon neutrality.

Promote awareness throughout all curricula about climate and ecological emergencies around the world.

Practice the movement from a sustainable to a regenerative culture within and around the College/University.

Work towards achieving single use Plastic Free status.

Minimise environmental impacts and create a strategy to protect, enhance and connect ecosystems/habitats/species.

Actively divest from any companies whose practices are considered to be harmful to the health of the environment and its inhabitants, locally and globally. To value life on Earth above profit and promote a culture of care amongst faculty members.

Assure transparent and regular reporting of the implementation of the above pledges (including where possible a shared database of specific goals and progress achieved in attaining them).

In declaring itself an Earth Protector School/College/University, (name of Institution) is publicly supporting the campaign to amend the Rome statute and declare Ecocide a crime at the ICC.

*\*ECOCIDE is serious loss, damage or destruction of ecosystems, and includes climate and cultural damage.*