



ACTIVATING A LAW TO PROTECT THE EARTH

LEGAL DEFINITION OF ECOCIDE

“ecocide” means unlawful or wanton acts committed with knowledge that there is a substantial likelihood of severe and either widespread or long-term damage to the environment being caused by those acts

ECOCIDE

is mass damage and destruction of ecosystems – severe harm to nature which is widespread or long-term.

Committed repeatedly over decades, ecocide has created the climate and ecological emergency that we now face.

It’s time to transform our relationship with nature from one of harm to one of harmony

Our core work is activating and developing global cross-sector support for an international crime of ecocide. We collaborate with diplomats, politicians, lawyers, corporate leaders, NGOs, indigenous and faith groups, influencers, academic experts, grassroots campaigns and individuals to this end.

Our work sits at the intersection of legal developments, political traction and public narrative, and is thus uniquely positioned both to support and to amplify the global conversation.

The route we advocate is that of amending the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC), the only global mechanism which directly accesses the existing criminal justice systems of its 123 member states.

Member states which ratify the crime must include it in their own domestic law, creating a uniform rule across jurisdictions. In this way Earth’s most precious ecosystems can be protected and allowed to recover.

SUPPORT FOR THIS LAW IS GROWING, THE WORLD IS WAKING UP



“[EU leaders and heads of state must] advocate to make ecocide an international crime at the International Criminal Court.”

Greta Thunberg
Environmental Activist



“This is a fifth category of crimes against peace, which should be recognised as such by the international community.”

Pope Francis
Bishop of Rome and head of the Catholic Church



“highly desirable” to include ecocide as a crime at the International Criminal Court

Antonio Guterres
UN Secretary General



“The moment is right: the world is waking up to this simple, achievable route to protecting the future of life on earth.”

Jojo Mehta,
Co-Founder & Executive Director,
Stop Ecocide International

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