

## Foresters for Future



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**Foresters and forest owners support the protest for more climate protection  
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### **Climate change increasingly threatens the existence of forests.**

Today, many young people regularly hold demonstrations for climate protection and the preservation of nature-based livelihoods. We believe that the concerns of the demonstrators are justified. Foresters of all backgrounds want to emphasize the call for swift and consistent action for more climate protection.

The forest is suffering from the effects of climate change. At this very moment, foresters are fighting to secure the survival of forests. Dying trees have to be felled and removed from the forest, large areas of beetle-killed trees have to be reforested and wilted seedlings have to be replaced. Forest owners and foresters all over Europe are experiencing the effects of climate change first-hand – and ever more strongly. Even at the present level of warming, we are in many regions already confronted with more frequent and intense extreme weather events such as heat waves, droughts, forest fires and heavy precipitation. Unchecked global warming drives the loss of familiar forest landscapes. If we all want to save our forest heritage, then government and society must be ready to think ahead about tomorrow and take action today. The forest teaches us how to work together across generations.

The term “sustainability” originates from forestry. Even today, it is the guiding principle for everything we do in forests. For effective climate protection, we need sustainability to be a global core value. We have to change the way we think and take action in a courageous and steadfast way. Sustainability starts with each individual, but we also need the right political framework. We therefore call upon politicians and individuals to act swiftly and consistently for more climate protection. **#Foresters4Future**