

Proposal for the establishment of a thematic CCCA working group

Title of the working group (incl acronym)

Klimagerechtigkeit (AG KG)

Information on the applicant and the CCCA members and external persons involved

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Aims of the working group

The 5th IPCC Assessment Report, WG III, Chapter 3 *described and evaluated the state of research on questions of climate justice for the first time in the history of the IPCC. The state of research has evolved since then. The aim of the working group is to critically discuss the achieved disciplinary and interdisciplinary state of research on climate justice with the involvement of experts and to advance it through its own workshops and publications. The results of the work should, where relevant, be brought into dialogue with stakeholders and the interested public.*

The consequences of climate change affect people living today and in the future differently. The benefits from emissions-generating activities are unevenly distributed. Past and presently living people have contributed to climate change to varying degrees. The basic interests, needs and rights of many people are already affected by the consequences of climate change. If the transformation to net zero emissions does not succeed by 2050, the fundamental rights of many people are likely to be violated by the consequences of climate change. In order to achieve the goal of global net zero emissions, a high degree of not only international and transnational but also transgenerational cooperation is necessary. Individuals, groups and institutions can be and will be responsible agents in this transformation to an almost emission-free society in various ways.

In view of this problem, there are several interrelated questions of justice, in particular the questions of

- *determining the maximum global emission budget that will be compatible with the protection of rights of future people*
- *the fair allocation of the remaining permissible global emissions budget among states*
- *the appropriate compensation for not avoided or no longer avoidable damage*
- *the appropriate compensation for the negative consequences of government measures of transformation, in particular for the frustration of legitimate expectations*
- *the fair distribution of net burdens from the causes and consequences of climate change as well as from appropriate responses to climate change; i.e. benefits from emissions-generating activities, damages and rights violations, costs of mitigation and adaptation measures and provisions of compensation*
- *the relationship of moral, legal, economic and democratic criteria of the legitimacy of measures to implement climate protection*



- *the criteria for assessing transgenerational and international strategies for dealing with climate change and assessing the feasibility of long-term political strategies for transformation*
- *the development and assessment of conceptions of inter- and transgenerational as well as inter- and transnational justice for the subject matter of climate change and its consequences as well as how to respond to climate change*
- *the presuppositions for an assessment based on principles of intergenerational and international justice in particular, or the question of the limits of such an assessment*
- *the extent of responsibility of different types of actors, e.g. individuals, groups and institutions*
- *considering the interests of other than human animals, plants and ecosystems.*

List and description of planned activities

(approximate milestone plan for 1 year)

Presentation of the Working Group on Climate Justice at the Austrian Climate Day
International workshop with colleagues from China and Europe (planned for May 2021)
International Workshop "Justice in Time" (June 2021)
Stakeholder Workshop on Legitimate Expectations and Transformation (Late Summer 2021)
Continuously:
Information and expertise on request, e.g. for Fridays for Future
Doctoral students and postdoc-colloquia

Budget plan (for 1 year)

(costs broken down by staff, travel, property and other costs)

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(Form of) Involvement of the operational units of the CCCA

Support, if reasonable and possible, by the Servicecenter Graz

