

GUARDIANS OF THE EARTH

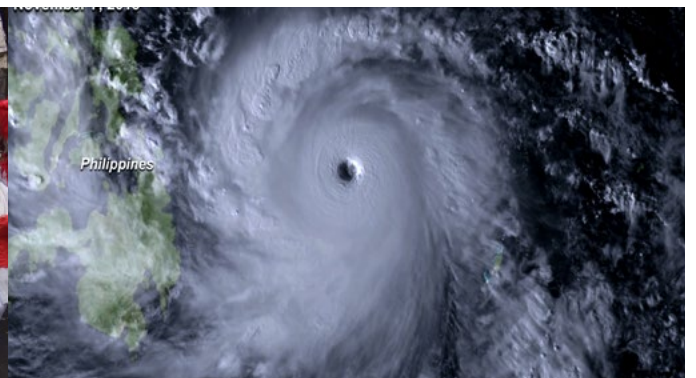


“THE MOMENT WE DECIDED TO SAVE OUR PLANET”

The Paris Agreement is a milestone in human history and is going to change our life for the next decades. For the first time 195 nations committed to take action against climate change.

The film gives insight behind closed doors of the negotiations and reveals the clash of forces, which shape our future: national self-interest against destruction of whole countries, rich versus poor, victims against profiteers.

A reflection on the global community told by high-ranking figures and insiders of the process. Can this agreement save our planet?



SHORT SYNOPSIS

After 21 years of continuous failure in UN climate change negotiations 195 nations, 20.000 worldwide negotiators meet at a private airport shielded by the military in the north of Paris for a last attempt to save our planet. Behind closed doors these delegates have to agree on the first global climate change agreement that shall operate for the next decades and be a milestone in multilateral diplomacy. An agreement that will impact each human on earth, born or unborn. A negotiation that will decide if we as a species can survive.

“Guardians of the Earth” shows the battle towards this monumental agreement through the perspective of major players as the head of the UNFCCC, the fossil fuel exporting countries and the most vulnerable states to climate change.

Unreleased footage gives insight into the process behind closed doors and reveals the conflict of a globalized society: the dilemma between solidarity versus national self-interest – a fight between economic growth and massive loss of lives. As sea levels keep rising, glaciers are melting, heat-waves, droughts and Super-Typhoons become more frequent - time is running out to act – climate change is our reality.

While showing the complex progress to the final success of the agreement, the film also exposes the crucial question for the viewer: Can mankind unite to challenge the biggest threat of our times?



FEATURING

Saleemul Huq - climate expert, Bangladesh
Christiana Figueres - leader UNFCCC
Laurent Fabius - COP President, France
Naomi Klein - author, Canada
Helmut Hojesky - lead negotiator, Austria
Peter Woolcott - lead negotiator, Australia
Yeb Sano - ex-lead negotiator, Philippines
Carole Dieschbourg - leader EU-group
Ronny Jumeau - lead negotiator, Seychelles
Noora al-Alamer - negotiator, Bahrain
Pascoe Sabido - activist, France
Tony deBrum - leader, Marshall Islands
John Kerry - secretary of state, USA
Al Gore - activist, USA
Arnold Schwarzenegger - actor, USA

DIRECTOR'S VITA

Filip Antoni Malinowski was born in Poland. Works as a director and producer between Vienna and Berlin. His feature documentary debut film "Resettlement" was screened at over 30 festivals and awarded six times.

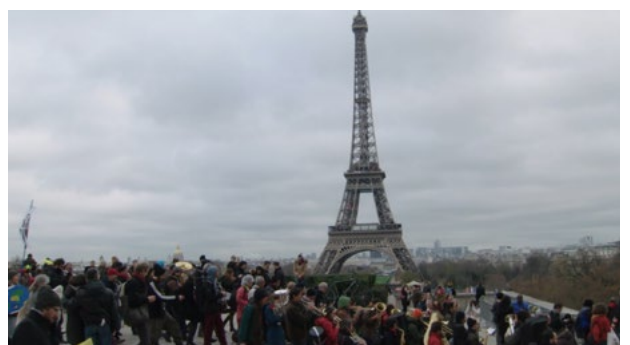
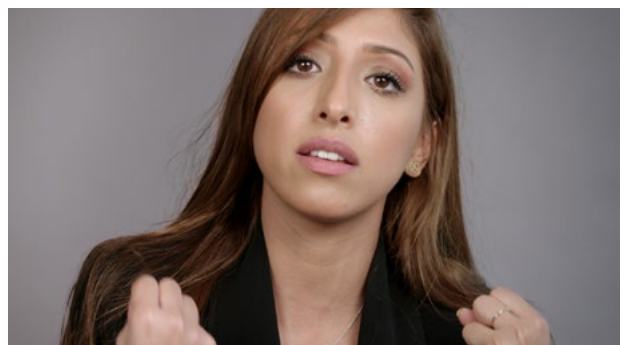
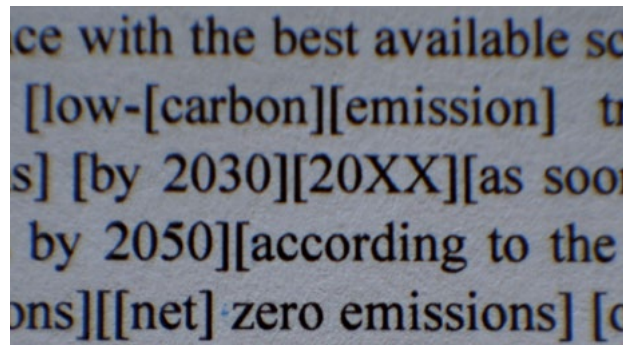
FILMOGRAPHY

2012, RESETTLEMENT, documentary, 76min

MAIN CREDITS

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sound: Sergey Martynyuk, Peter Rösner
music: Nils Frahm
sound design: Kai Tebbel
producers: Jürgen Karasek, Filip Antoni Malinowski, Michael Boagr, Inka Dewitz
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FILM DATA

original title: Guardians of the Earth
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sound: Dolby Digital 5.1.
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