

## Glossary:

**Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)** - an intergovernmental organisation of small island countries

**Article 6** - Article 6 of the Paris Agreement (signed in 2015), relating to the rules of carbon markets and carbon trading

**Carbon neutral** - The balance between emitting and absorbing carbon emissions from the atmosphere

**Carbon capture and storage** - The process of capturing carbon before it enters the atmosphere and storing it, usually in underground geological formations

**Carbon market** - a scheme whereby carbon emissions allowances are bought and sold internationally

**Carbon tax** - a tax imposed on the carbon emissions that are required to produce goods and services

**Climate Finance** - Local, national or transnational financing that seeks to support mitigation & adaptation actions that will address climate change

**COP** - The United Nations Conference of Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, an intergovernmental negotiation event aiming to tackle the climate crisis

**G7** - The Group of Seven, an intergovernmental body consisting of Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States

**G77** - The Group of 77, an alliance of 134 less economically developed countries who bargain at UN negotiations according to their mutual interests

**Green Climate Fund** - a fund created under the Paris Agreement, which uses pledges by countries to support climate change mitigation and adaptation efforts in the Global South

**Green recovery** - the incorporation of environmental and climate related goals in the recovery of nations from the COVID-19 pandemic

**Greenwashing** - a marketing ploy used by corporations who wish to seem environmentally conscious without committing to real sustainable change

**Just Transition Commission** - a Scottish organisation aimed at supporting a fair and equitable transition from oil and gas to sustainable energy sources

**Kyoto Protocol** - a largely unsuccessful climate change treaty which preceded the Paris Agreement, adopted in 1997

**Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)** - the formalised efforts of each nation to reduce carbon emissions and adapt to the effects of climate change

**Paris Agreement** - a treaty adopted at COP21 in 2015, aimed at mitigating and adapting to the effects of climate change

**Per Capita Emissions** - the average carbon emissions per head in a given country or region

**United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)** - a convention established at the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, with the aim of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and stabilising the earth's climate