

# International Day Against Monoculture Tree Plantations

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Dear friends,

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This coming 21 September we will once again be marking the International Day Against Monoculture Tree Plantations.

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As a way of raising awareness about the different kinds of impacts suffered by communities in countries around the world as a result of monoculture tree plantations, we at WRM, Friends of the Earth and the Global Forest Coalition invite you to join in this worldwide day of protest.Â

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You may be wondering what you can do on this day. There are a wide variety of activities that can be planned in our different countries and communities. While the activities chosen will depend upon the possibilities of each one of us, there are a number of ideas that we would like to share with you. For example:

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- Meetings about plantations (conferences, seminars, workshops).

- Media activities (press releases, press conferences, interviews with newspapers, radio and TV programmes, internet articles).

- Public events (in urban and rural areas) to inform the public about the impacts of plantations.

- Dissemination of testimonials from people affected by plantations.

- Meetings with government representatives.

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However there are also very simple things that can be done at an individual level, such as:

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- Hanging a sign/banner in the window of your office or home.

- Putting a bumper sticker on your vehicle.

- Sending your email contacts a message about the meaning of the International Day Against Monoculture Tree Plantations.

- Placing a banner on your website and on blogs.

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We are preparing a series of tools that can help you to organize the kind of activities we have recommended. If you would like to

receive them, please do not hesitate to contact us

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In addition, remember that WRM has two other tools already developed that are available for use at:

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1) The video "Mountains of Paper, Mounting Injustice" (Available at: [http://www.wrm.org.uy/Videos/Paper\\_Consumption.html](http://www.wrm.org.uy/Videos/Paper_Consumption.html))

2) The "Appeal from literature and journalism for socially and environmentally clean paper" (Available at: <http://www.wrm.org.uy/plantations/writers.html>)

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Please feel free to write to us if you need further information.

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Kind regards,

The WRM Team

TOOLS FOR ACTION

