

Statement and proposition cards on Forestry

United Nations delegation

Statement cards

Finland should be careful with forestry so you don't end up destroying valuable forests and ecosystems.

We remind you, that in this time of climate crisis economical interests of one industry cannot override the acute need of decisions on climate change mitigation.

We remind you, that decisions should be made on diminishing emissions in every sector of society.

We remind you, that to truly make a difference, you need to both cut emissions and sustain carbon sinks.

Proposal cards

We propose all lumber bought and sold in Finland holds the FSC responsibility certificate.

We propose Finland does not allow increase in forestry.

We propose Finland outlines principles of climate friendly forestry.

Media delegation

Statement cards

Whatever decisions we make now, they should not violate human rights.

We think Finland should play as an example to all other countries in climate change mitigation. We urge you to make bold decisions.

We remind you, that if we do not make decisions on climate change mitigation now, the costs will be much greater in the future than whatever the financial cost is now.

We should consider what way forestry is practiced. Should all trees be cut clear or can some trees be left as carbon sinks?

Proposal cards

We propose clearcutting is prohibited but forestry can still be practiced.

We propose a national state-funded information campaign on climate change and forestry.

We propose all wood-based products sold should include carbon and climate information on product.

Car industry delegation

Statement cards

If you restrict forestry, it will cause many people to lose their jobs.

In the end it is not important what is decided on forestry, because carbon sinks can never amount to the carbon emissions by industry.

It is better that lumber is produced in Finland rather than overseas.

People should have the right to live and work wherever they wish to, and practice the livelihood of choosing. No industry should be completely restricted.

Proposal cards

We propose state funds the car industry to produce electric vehicles for forestry.

We propose the car, forestry and energy industries join together for a climate friendly policy programme.

We propose state funds wood-based material innovation for vehicles production

Forestry delegation

Statement cards

Wood-based materials can replace many more climate and environment harmful product. Therefore, forestry actually helps with climate change mitigation.

Finnish forestry is committed to sustainability and diminishing emissions in its production plant operations.

In our opinion, old forests do not uphold carbon as well as growing forests do. Therefore, forestry is important to climate change mitigation.

Using wood as material for example in buildings and furniture preserves carbon. Therefore, forestry should not be limited because of climate change.

Proposal cards

We propose Finland should limit nature and forest conservation because old forests do not hold carbon as well as growing forests do.

Lumber is a carbon sink and Finnish forestry is responsible. We propose forestry should be enhanced for climate change mitigation.

We propose Finland commits to replacing cement, steel and plastic materials with wood-based materials.

Municipal district and traffic administration delegation

Statement cards

We remind you that bioenergy production works under constant material demand and its sustainability should be carefully considered.

Lumber production and shipping causes emissions. Forestry industry is too wide spread and should be restricted to chosen areas.

If forestry is on sustainable basis, we are willing to endorse wood-based materials.

It is better for climate, if people live and work in concentrated rural or community areas.

Proposal cards

We propose the state limits the amount of lumber production plants.

We propose municipal officials are obliged to monitor the carbon balance of the forestry in their region.

We propose the lumber industry commits to cutting its emission by a quarter.

Environmental organization delegation

Statement cards

There is no proof that old forests do not hold carbon as well as growing forests. Old forests are also valuable ecosystems and their biomass is larger than in younger forests.

Forestry should be restricted because it destroys carbon sinks and destroys valuable habitats.

It takes decades for trees to grow up to their full length. It is stupid to cut down forests and plant new trees instead.

Tree plants do and can not hold as much carbon as old forests do. The best way to increase carbon sinks is to conserve forests.

Proposal cards

We propose new nature reserves are established.

The only way to increase our carbon sinks is to let trees grow. We propose forestry is restricted.

We propose every citizen is obliged to plant a tree every year.

Energy industry delegation

Statement cards

Forestry produces material for bioenergy production, which can be a sustainable renewable way to produce energy compared to fossil fuels.

It is better that we use Finnish forests as resource on bioenergy rather than that we buy energy overseas.

Forestry is an important source of income in Finland's national economy.

Problems in bioenergy production are smaller than problems in fossil fuels production.

Proposal cards

We propose Finnish bioenergy production is increased.

We propose forestry is not restricted. It is more climate friendly to do forestry sustainably in Finland, rather than increase forestry overseas.

We propose forestry is not limited, because it is an important industry for Finland's national economy.

Farmers delegation

Statement cards

We remind you that old forests are much more vulnerable to climate change effects, like fires or insects. Forest fires destroy forests.

Forestry is a valuable livelihood and it is unrealistic that we should live without wood-based products.

We need to clearcut forests from time to time to produce new land areas for farming.

We think it is better forestry is practiced in Finland under our laws. Importing lumber causes emissions as well.

Proposal cards

The best way to remove carbon from atmosphere is to grow forests. We propose Finland plants new trees to fields and wastelands.

We propose old forests are monitored in case of wild fires.

We propose Finland stops importing lumber and all wood construction materials are produces inland.