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The children present their communiqué at COP21 in Paris

On Thursday December 3, the communiqué *Act like a kid!* will be presented at the climate summit COP21, in Paris. Children who participated last week at the Children's Climate Conference 2015 in Södertälje, Sweden, have now completed the document. Three children, one from Sweden and two from France, will travel to Paris and the COP21 meeting to carry through the presentation.

The presentation will take place at the inauguration of the *Young and Future Generations Day* and is scheduled for Thursday 10 am, December 3, at the Climate Change Studio, hall 4. The communiqué will be received by Ahmad Alhendawi, the United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth together with Christiana Figueres, Executive Secretary of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, (UNFCCC). The climate summit COP21, now underway in Paris, is the most important summit ever held. The children want to be heard on this crucial issue and has now been given five minutes to present their message.

– *I hope that they listen to our advice and start taking this seriously, I think they will after they have heard our message*, says Kimai Hireme 10 years old, the delegate from New Zealand.

The communiqué; *Act like a kid!*, which is the children's demands to the leaders of the world, is signed with a personal and colorful thumbprint from the 64 delegates who last week participated at the Children's Climate Conference 2015 in Södertälje, Sweden.

There is opportunity to be present at the time of the presentation, please contact the press officer for more information and practical details.

You can find the children's communiqué in [film-version on Youtube](#) and in text below and attached:

ACT LIKE A KID!

We are kids, and we will fight to save the world!

We are kids, and we see our schools float away in rising water. We see the ice melting, and starving polar bears in our land. We see our water wells drying out. And we see black smoke killing people.

– *But we will fight to save the world!*

We are kids, and we see typhoons hitting our homes. We see big people cutting down trees, and we feel how the air sometimes is hard to breathe. We see how the forest is burning. /

– *But we will fight to save this world!*

We are kids, and we like to play. We like to draw, play football and read books. We like to sing and dance. /

– *But now we will fight to save the world!*

We are kids, and we have to pay for mistakes that we haven't made. You adults are giving us a world in chaos, and we are scared. But our future children should live in a better world than this. /

– *So we will fight to save the world!*

We are kids, we're still young and have a lot to learn. But this is the last chance to save our planet, and we don't have the time to grow up. Our planet is dying slowly. This has to end. That's why we're here to tell you adults;

Act like us kids – and fight to save the world!

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About Children's Climate Conference

The Children's Climate Conference is an initiative by Telge Energi and is arranged with support by the City of Södertälje, Fryshuset, Globetree and the World Wildlife Foundation WWF in Sweden. Between November 25-28, children in the age of 9-12 years from the whole world will meet in Södertälje, to discuss the climate challenge. The purpose of the conference is to give the children of the world a strong voice and to put pressure on the world's leaders to reach an agreement at the UN Climate Summit (COP21). Read more: www.childreclimateconference.org