



Environment of Peace

SECURITY
IN A NEW
ERA OF RISK

The environmental crisis is radically altering the prospects of achieving and maintaining peace. The Environment of Peace report, to be launched in May 2022, will pull together the evidence on this new era of risk and how to secure a just, sustainable and peaceful future for all.

We face a planetary emergency. A compound environmental crisis and a darkening security horizon are feeding each other in dangerous ways. The processes and institutions designed to address both crises are proving inadequate. The further these crises deepen and intertwine, the harder they will be to solve.

At the same time the urgently needed transition to a zero-carbon green economy is fraught with risks. But it also offers many opportunities to advance peace, justice and sustainable development. There is a pressing need for decision makers at all levels to understand how the connections work, and to identify practical ways forward.

Environment of Peace, a Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) initiative, aims to raise understanding of how climate change and other environmental crises are transforming



what it means to build and maintain peace. Based on the best available evidence from around the world, it highlights the challenges that are already here, the emerging risks, and the pitfalls to avoid in green transitions. It also highlights promising solutions, and illuminates pathways for policy and action.

Environment of Peace will launch a major report in May 2022. As well as building on SIPRI's world-renowned research and analysis, Environment of Peace has engaged leading policy and academic experts and consulted a diverse group of stakeholders, from young activists to frontline practitioners to experienced diplomats.

The report comes 50 years after the landmark United Nations Conference on the Human Environment (the Stockholm Conference), which first put the links between development and environmental change on the international agenda.

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Research for the Environment of Peace report is being guided and supported by a panel of respected international experts, who will bring their knowledge and experience to the report and help to communicate its findings:

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