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The situation is serious. But we still have a window of opportunity to act.



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Dr. Jane Goodall and the Jane Goodall Institute point out how the world today has a total disrespect for biodiversity. Thousands of species have disappeared, others have had to move and the natural balance is disturbed.

The fault - among other things - is deforestation, excessive concreting, intensive agriculture, breeding and climate change, of course.

We must rethink and change our relationship to nature in order to find a balance, a harmony in this "tapestry of life" that are the ecosystems, the relationships between humans, other animals and our environment.

"Every individual matters. Every individual has a role to play. Every individual makes a difference every day." -Dr. Jane Goodall, DBE Founder of the Jane Goodall Institute & UN Messenger of Peace

We must stop destroying, polluting, disseminating and overexploiting. And to do this, each of us has a role to play. Whether we are individuals, companies, communities or states. Each of us has an impact every day. It is up to us to decide what impact we want to have. Each person's individual efforts are paramount.

But it is important not to lose hope. We have a window of time, but if we don't come together and realize that each of us can make a difference, it will be too late. CEOs and government officials can make important decisions that affect hundreds of thousands of people - they just need to think about the future, instead of the next shareholder meeting. We need a radical change of attitude if we care about our future generations.

"We still have a window of opportunity to repair the damage we have done to our planet - but it is shortened. If we care about our children's future and the future of the children they will have, if we care about the health of the natural world, then we need to take action together. Now. Afterwards, it will be too late." -Jane Goodall



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JANE GOODALL

Dr Jane Goodall, DBE, Founder of the Jane Goodall Institute and UN Messenger of Peace is internationally recognized as an ethologist for her work on chimpanzees, an icon of animal protection and an environmental activist.

In July 1960, at the age of 26, Jane Goodall travelled from England to what is now Tanzania and ventured into the world of wild chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*). Equipped with little more than a notebook, binoculars, and her fascination with wildlife, Jane braved a realm of unknowns to give the world a remarkable window into humankind's closest living relatives. Her revelatory observation that chimpanzees make and use tools rocked the scientific landscape and forever redefined our understanding of the relationship between humans and other animals. Jane earned her PhD in ethology (the study of animal behaviour) at Cambridge University in 1965.

Dr Jane Goodall went on to redefine conservation to include

the needs of local people and the environment. Way back in 1977 she established a community conservation organization: the Jane Goodall Institute. There are now an incredible 25 not-for-profit Jane Goodall Institutes around the world working together to advance Dr Goodall's vision of a better future for all.

Today, Jane Goodall is an international figure in environmental advocacy. A UN Messenger of Peace, nominated for the 2019 Nobel Peace Prize, she has won hundreds of awards for her role as a role model for young activists and for her tireless fieldwork.

She is one of Time Magazine's 100 most influential people in the world and one of the BBC's 28 iconic personalities of the century.

THE JANE GOODALL INSTITUTE

The Jane Goodall Institute works to promote the conservation and understanding of chimpanzees and other great apes, our closest living relatives, by focusing on their habitat, the forests and by education through the Roots & Shoots program. This program aims to empower the next generation to be socially and environmentally conscious citizens of our shared planet.

The belief in the inter-connectedness of animals, people and the environment (APE) stems from Jane's vision, her tireless work, integrity, knowledge and messages of hope continue to inspire millions of people into meaningful action in their communities.

Its vision is for a healthy planet where people make compassionate choices to live sustainably and in harmony with each other, the environment and other animals.

This article was provided by the [The Jane Goodall Institute](#).
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and think differently, follow the link to read more about
[Pierre QUINTARD](#), President of the Jane Goodall Institute
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