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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Upholding the false binary between climate and social inequality means upholding the social conditions that marginalize these voices and perspectives, denying us their deep insights, answers and powerful ability to inspire and transform."

- Majandra Rodriguez Acha, Young Feminist Fellow for Climate Justice at WEDO & FRIDA The Young Feminist Fund, in [Women's equality will not come after the environmental revolution](#) (Open Democracy; 8 min. read)



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CRITICAL READS

- [‘Obama, Hear Our Cry’: Lakota Women Call on President to Stop Violence](#) (Indian Country; 7 min. read) - This open letter is calling on President Obama to intervene in the horrific incident at Standing Rock, where the Dakota Access Pipeline company unleashed dogs, pepper spray and attacked protesters. A pregnant Native woman and her child, along with many others were assaulted and harmed.
- [Judge Halts Dakota Pipeline Construction After Burial Sites Destroyed](#) (InsideClimate News; 4 min. read) - A Judge temporarily halts construction of a portion of the North Dakota pipeline, but the Standing Rock Sioux tribe's sensitive cultural artifacts had already been destroyed.
- [Dear IUCN Congress: Lead on Gender Equality!](#) (The Huffington Post; 7 min. read) - We hope IUCN will take initiatives to mainstream gender into international environmental policy frameworks, to continue supporting a gender-responsive agenda, and to push gender equality in the actions of all levels at IUCN.
- [Taxing Lives, Trading Women](#) (Open Democracy; 6 min. read) - At the 2016 AWID Forum, feminists across the world discussed tackling systemic issues, crumbling neo-liberal systems, deep inequalities, and uneven austerity in cross-movement strategies.
- [War Disproportionately Affects Women, So Why so Few Female Peacekeepers?](#) (The Guardian; 4 min. read) - At London's UN peacekeeping summit, leaders must pledge to involve more women in peace operations and ensure their protection in warzones.
- [Eradicating HIV Stigma & Humiliation: How Lydiah is Changing Lives in Kenya](#) (One; 4 min. read) - Lydiah in Kayole, her home and the neighbourhood where she is an HIV-positive person and a community health volunteer, travels house to house to support HIV positive women, pregnant mothers, and tuberculosis patients.
- [In Syria and Bosnia, Women Are Quietly Changing the World](#) (The Guardian; 3 min. read) - Peace processes, post-conflict governance structures, and policymaking in Syria and Bosnia have been taking lessons from feminist perspectives.

CLIMATE HOPE



"I am not a protester. I am protecting," said Native women at the forefront fighting against the Dakota Access Pipeline.

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