

The most pressing news and media linking women's rights, environment, and development.

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**



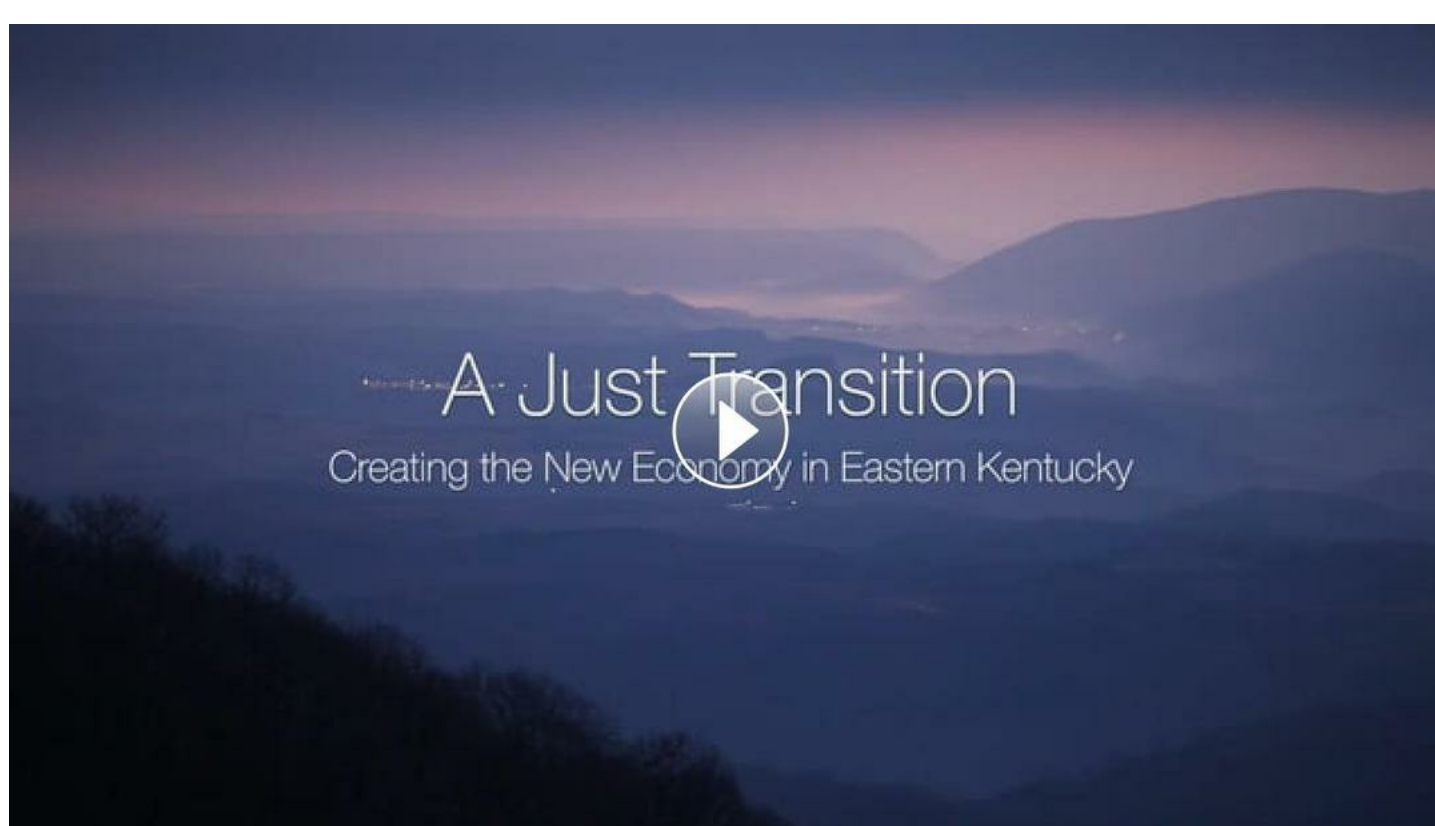
"President Trump's executive orders on climate change can't stop U.S. action on climate change or progress on the Paris Agreement. Final rules can't be undone with the stroke of a pen and market dynamics will continue to shift the U.S. to a clean energy economy despite President Trump's efforts."

Read the full article [here](#).

**CRITICAL READS**

- **US Climate Actions Can't Be Stopped With the Stroke of a Pen (NBC, 5 min. read)** - The executive order attempts to dramatically change US approach to climate change. Yet, there is still hope if we invest in renewable technologies, primarily wind and solar power, have made up a larger share of new energy capacity in 2016: more than 60% was wind and solar, compared with 33% from natural gas.
- **Peru Floods Kill 67 and Sparks Criticism of Country's Climate Change Preparedness (The Guardian, 3 min. read)** - Peru's worst floods in recent memory - which came after a period of severe drought - have been blamed on abnormally high temperatures in the Pacific Ocean and linked criticism that the country is ill-prepared for the growing challenges of climate change.
- **Haiti and Why We Need More Women Managing Disaster Risk, We Need to Speed Up the Change (The Huffington Post, 3 min. read)** - Hurricane Matthew has led to the burden of poverty worsening for 670,000 women among the worst-affected. 106,180 of whom are heads of household. Women need to be active leaders in the disaster risk reduction agenda and women's perspectives must be considered in the decision-making process.
- **Colombia's City of Women Rebuilds Homes and Hopes (ReliefWeb, 4 min. read)** - The League of Displaced Women, which is mainly composed of single mothers, war widows and women living in slums, built a new neighborhood of 102 houses with self-taught construction skills. The new houses help them gain self-esteem, greater control over their property and crucial access to bank loans.
- **Global Warming is A Matter of Survival for Pacific Islander Women (NBC, 3 min. read)** - For many pacific women, especially those who are living in rural areas, climate change has contributed to rising sea levels, droughts, landslides and loss of food crops. They are on frontlines of climate change.
- **Climate Change is a Security Threat (The Huffington Post, 2 min. read)** - Climate change poses a security threat to food security, water, energy, and women's well-being. Women as the primary caretakers of the household have developed locally appropriate adaptive strategies, which have to be incorporated into climate actions.
- **Can Solar Pumps Give Nepal's Women Farmers a Brighter Future? (Thomson Reuters Foundation, 4 min. read)** - Farmers in Terai, a region that contributes largely to Nepal's national food production, have been facing low crop productivity problems due to difficulty in accessing irrigation. Women farmers, despite owning little land, are willing more to invest in low-cost solar powered irrigation pumps to boost agriculture in the region.

**CLIMATE HOPE**



"Just transition is about an economy that is powered by the people, for the people, for the prosperity of communities and the sustainabilities of communities," said Ivy Brashear, an Eastern Kentucky native and a member of Mountain Association for Economic Development. See this [11-minute short film](#) on what it takes to create a just transition of energy and economy.

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