

Call for Action – together against fossil gas!

As a climate justice movement, we have not fought for a coal phase out for so long only to get a fossil gas entry! Contrary to all facts, fossil gas continues to be propagated by the lobby as a clean bridging technology and the conversion from coal to gas is massively promoted by the federal government. The Federal Network Agency („Bundesnetzagentur“) expects around 200 new gas power plant blocks in 120 cities by 2030. If we want to have the slightest chance of complying with the 1.5 ° limit, these power plants should never be built! Instead of burning more fossil gas, we need a complete phase out by 2035. Now the course must be set for a renewable electricity and especially heat supply - for which the gas-fired power plants are primarily planned - although there are sufficient alternatives.

We don't want to sit there and watch while taxpayers' money is turned into fossil subsidies and the gas lobby is burning down our future.

Therefore, we invite you to a networking meeting from January, 15th-17th. Together we want to start a campaign to prevent a fossil lock-in. There are enough starting points: new power plants, the gas lobby, but also the upcoming federal election. Perhaps we can combine centralized actions with decentralized work to convert the heat supply and create nationwide visibility for the topic.

We applied for funds (working title of the campaign: cracks in the pipeline) to finance a kick-off meeting near Berlin under corona conditions. There we would like to develop the goals of the campaign, our working structures and first ideas for action. Due to the limited number of participants, we would like to combine the meeting with digital participation options. Please contact us if you have any questions or suggestions, if you would like to take part in the kick-off meeting (registration until December, 13th) or if you cannot attend the meeting but are interested anyway.

We are also glad, if you want to help prepare or to facilitate the meeting. We ask everyone to think about ideas and starting points in advance and send them to us, so that we can discuss them together at the meeting.

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Further background on the subject of fossil gas:

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