

2016 ANNUAL REPORT

# The Power of Many

**GREENPEACE**

Southeast Asia



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## Core Values

In our work, we are guided by our core values of non-violence, financial independence, creative confrontation and the power of acting together.

Greenpeace does not solicit or accept funding from governments, corporations or political parties. Greenpeace neither seeks nor accepts donations that could compromise its independence, aims, objectives or integrity. Greenpeace relies on the voluntary donations of individual supporters and on grant support from foundations.

We believe in the collective power of people. The future of the environment rests with the millions of people around the world who share our beliefs.

Together we can tackle environmental problems and promote solutions.

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Cover photo:  
Thousands of individuals gathered in central Jakarta to join a "Break Free" rally, calling for Indonesia to reject coal in favour of clean renewable energy, and to honour their Governments commitment to the Paris Agreement.

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## Our Goals

Greenpeace's goal is to ensure the ability of the earth to nurture life in all its diversity.

Greenpeace has been campaigning against environmental degradation since 1971. At present, Greenpeace comprises 26 independent national and regional offices across the world, covering operations in more than 55 countries. Greenpeace Southeast Asia was founded in 2000, and alongside offices in Thailand, Indonesia and the Philippines, we also enjoy support from Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore and the Lower Mekong region.

Muandao Kongwanarat, Greenpeace Volunteer Coordinator carries a bag of plastic gathered in a beach clean-up in Phuket, Thailand. The activity was part of 'I Love My Ocean', a Greenpeace project that aims to raise public awareness on the amount of waste which ends up in the ocean.



# We are the ones we've been waiting for

You have been telling the people that this is the Eleventh Hour, now you must go back and tell the people that this is the Hour. And there are things to be considered.

Where are you living?  
What are you doing?  
What are your relationships?  
Where is your water?  
Know your garden.  
It is time to speak your Truth.

Create your community.  
Be good to each other.

And do not look outside yourself for the leader...

Excerpt from a poem widely attributed to a Hopi Elder, Hopi nation



# Inspire and Transform

Many will remember that 2016 was a challenging year for people and the planet. It brought floods, droughts, the extinction of species, and coral bleaching. It was a difficult year for the climate.

For the third consecutive year, 2016 was the warmest year on record; carbon dioxide levels crossed the 400 parts per million threshold—a worrisome milestone that scientists say may foreshadow serious climate impacts. In Southeast Asia, record temperatures brought in one of the worst droughts in decades, with people in the Mekong region hardest hit. Haze has become an annual event, causing around a 100,000 premature deaths every year.

On the political front, the election of President Trump in the US was seen as a setback to the many environmental gains people have fought hard for. The onslaught against environmental activists continued around the globe, including in the Philippines, where anti-coal activist Gloria Capitan was assassinated.

But amid these developments, the global environmental movement stayed strong and even expanded in the past year. More people have risen up, together, to face some of the biggest environmental challenges the world has seen in decades. Events in 2016 provided the momentum for people power throughout the globe to grow into unstoppable waves. In 2016 Greenpeace also celebrated its 45th anniversary. And as our experience has proven time and again, no task is impossible when people stand together in solidarity.

As a global organisation, we met all the challenges last year head on, frequently leading the charge to inspire people into action.

We saw evidence of an ever-growing environmental tide of support in the largest ever global civil disobedience movement against fossil fuels. Individuals and entire communities are now holding giant corporations legally responsible for climate change.

In our efforts to promote our 'Food for Life' campaign we saw a massive mobilisation of youth, while people from all walks of life took action to show they care deeply about our oceans.

Greenpeace Southeast Asia was at the front of this swelling movement in the region. In 2016 alone we mobilised tens of thousands of people in work that spanned six countries. We built the collective power necessary to win campaigns and to sustain achievements in our region.

In turn, we draw our inspiration from these movements, working together in our diverse and dynamic region to change the course of history and transform the world.

Over 500 people joined forces with the Upper Ping River Watershed Conservation Project and Greenpeace to reforest burned out Forest near Chiang Mai in Thailand.

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Alexandra Laforie-Yates

Alexandra joined the Board in 2015. She brings extensive experience in auditing, finance, project management, crisis management, strategic development and the governance of large-scale international corporations as well as Greenpeace International. She is currently completing the International Organisations MBA program of the University of Geneva.



Melizel Asuncion

A lawyer by profession, Mel is currently the Research and Stakeholder Engagement Programs Manager in Verité Southeast Asia ([www.verite.org](http://www.verite.org)), and the Secretariat Director of the SHAPE-SEA Programme ([www.shapesea.com](http://www.shapesea.com)). She is also a founding member of the Southeast Asian Human Rights Studies Network (SEHRN). Mel's background in human rights including work with labour and migrant workers, Indigenous peoples and women brings a wealth of experience to the board.



Dr. Sasie Smittipatana

Dr. Sasie is an environmentalist, psychologist and a leader in marketing and research in Southeast Asia. She has extensive experience in business management and is an active entrepreneur.



Dr. Opart Panya

A professor and environmental activist, Dr. Opart specialises in community-based environmental and natural resource management. He is a leader in the development of research methodologies applicable to rural communities (i.e. Rapid Rural Appraisal (RRA), Photo Novella and Ethnography combined)



Harry Surjadi

Harry is an environmental journalist committed to helping and empowering grassroots communities across Southeast Asia. An expert in citizen journalism and CSR initiatives, Harry is an Ashoka Fellow in Indonesia. He also joined the Asia Leadership Fellow Program (ALFP) in Japan and is a recipient of the Communication for Social Change award from the University of Queensland, which focuses on the creative use of communications technology.



Yong Kai Ping

An environmental activist, Kai Ping focuses on harnessing new media and digital technology to enhance the influence of 'wide engagement activism.' He also has an extensive background in building grassroots movements.



Eco Master

Eco is a sustainable development expert with a focus on climate and energy, far-reaching international advocacy, environmental activism and sustainable development. He also has an extensive background in renewable energy interventions.



Suzy Hutomo

Suzy is an environmentalist, green activist, advocate of gender equality, pioneer in eco-friendly business, marine conservationist and a corporate sustainability leader. She is also an accredited presenter of Al Gore's Climate Reality Project.



# Mobilise and Resist



Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable... Every step toward the goal of justice requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals.

**Martin Luther King, Jr.**



The year 2016 was a year of uncertainties. But it will go down in history as a year of resistance when hundreds of thousands stood together to defend their rights. 2016 was just the beginning. People are rising up. I share the belief that a revolution is underway.

Here in our region, Greenpeace was at the forefront of Southeast Asia's growing civic movement, supporting grassroots groups and mobilisations in different countries. Our work is gradually building a momentum for citizens to secure the future of their region through the power of many.

This work is not without risks, particularly in the political context of our region. But hope, courage and conviction shine through. Armed with hope, we can dream, armed with courage we act, and armed with conviction, we will win. Working with grassroots communities has shown time and again that hope, courage and conviction cannot be defeated. And when groups and communities who carry these with them come together, change is inevitable. So we are at the brink although we face unsettling times, we know that we are in the brink of a profound transformation.

We at Greenpeace Southeast Asia are helping drive this transformation, one step at a time, armed with the countless acts of courage made by people who are walking together with us in this journey.

The legal complaint we filed against fossil fuel companies is gradually changing the playing field for the millions of people impacted by

climate change around the globe. Our continued fight against coal-fired power plants in the region is igniting more and more communities to resist this dirty fuel. A major court victory in Indonesia has stepped up the fight against polluting factory discharges. Our work to pressure the world's largest tuna company to come clean is poised to break ground for a landmark corporate commitment. Our work with communities is changing mindsets and corporate behaviour to ensure stronger forest protection. And a pioneering food policy in the Philippines rooted in ecological agriculture may soon be underway.

The journey has not been easy, nor do we expect it to be easy in the years to come. For many people, myself included, this is a very personal journey. But throughout this struggle, I have been constantly inspired by modern-day heroes; ordinary people who have done the extraordinary. The collective power of all these people is tremendous. And when they rise up to resist the status quo and act to make a green and peaceful future possible, we know that the future of our planet and its people are in good hands.

Thank you for being with us in this journey toward a green and peaceful world.

**Yeb Saño**  
Executive Director  
Greenpeace Southeast Asia



Part of the global "Break Free" movement, around 10,000 Filipinos march in Batangas City, where the 600MW coal plant is proposed. They marched five days before the elections to demand the next administration hastens a transition to renewable energy.



OUR WORK IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

# A Billion Acts of Courage

Volunteers collect plastic and other rubbish in Chonburi, Thailand during the Greenpeace Youth Wavemakers Camp, learning about plastic pollution and its impacts on marine ecosystems.

In 2016, Greenpeace Southeast Asia stepped up work to address the region's most urgent environmental challenges. We did this by harnessing the collective power of people to ensure wins for the planet. We continued to broaden our campaigning base by bringing in people and groups from diverse backgrounds.

Whether fighting for climate justice, paving the way for the uptake of clean energy, protecting forests and biodiversity, defending our oceans, fostering the shift toward a sustainable and resilient food system or creating a toxics-free future, our aim is to inspire, connect with, and empower people and communities throughout the region.

Impact does not happen overnight. It is the result of billions of acts of courage by countless individuals. And for impact to be transformative, the gains must be sustained and multiplied. We believe the future of our environment rests on the millions of people around the region who share our aspirations.

Our work in 2016 reached out to more people around Southeast Asia and provided them with opportunities to speak out and take action for their future, laying the groundwork to ensure lasting positive change for our planet.

## Supporters throughout Southeast Asia



502,415

Total Subscribers



48,914

Active Donors



614

Active Volunteers



805,495

Twitter Followers



1,325,772

Facebook Followers



36,969

Instagram Followers



In Southeast Asia, the environmental stakes are high and urgency is crucial. But in many places in our region, speaking out and confronting powers comes with risks. Yet, this hasn't stopped those who are steadfast in the belief that a green and peaceful future is possible and achievable if we work together.

The future of our environment rests on these activists, volunteers, supporters, farmers, youth groups, lawyers, scientists and ordinary people who, with extraordinary courage and boldness, are paving the way for a better world for us all.

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### Human Rights & The Seafood Industry

**Thailand** A groundbreaking report, "Turn the Tide" revealed abuses in the Thai seafood industry and named the companies responsible for exploitation and destruction.



### Food for Life

**Thailand** Greenpeace began a pilot project with a local school in Bangkok to create an ecological garden where students will learn how to grow their food and benefit from ecological agriculture.



### Preventing & Fighting Forest Fires

**Indonesia** Greenpeace volunteers have been trained not just in fighting fires but in their prevention, using mapping and investigative techniques and highlighting the issue of forest destruction and effects on human and environmental health.



### Detoxing Our Rivers

**Indonesia** With support from local community groups, Pawapeling, Walhi and Legal Aid Bandung, we won a landmark court case that challenged the Indonesian Government's decision to issue wastewater permits to three major textile companies polluting the Citarum River.



### Influencing a Renewable Shift

**Vietnam** Our work influenced a major government decision to review the country's power development plan: in a dramatic turn of events, the government announced a stop to new coal plant construction and a shift to renewable energy.



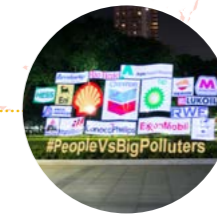
### Break Free from Coal

**Philippines** Five days before elections, 10,000 Filipinos marched in Batangas City where a new 600MW coal plant was being proposed. They demanded that the next administration cancels all proposed coal plants nationwide and speeds up the transition to renewable energy.



### Building Climate Resilience

**Philippines** Farmers, via our community-based climate resilience work, provided ecological seeds and organic fertiliser to fellow farmers in disaster-affected areas.



### Demanding Climate Justice

**Philippines** The Philippine Commission on Human Rights ordered 46 of the world's main investor-owned fossil fuel companies to respond to allegations of human rights abuses brought about by climate change in a major legal case.



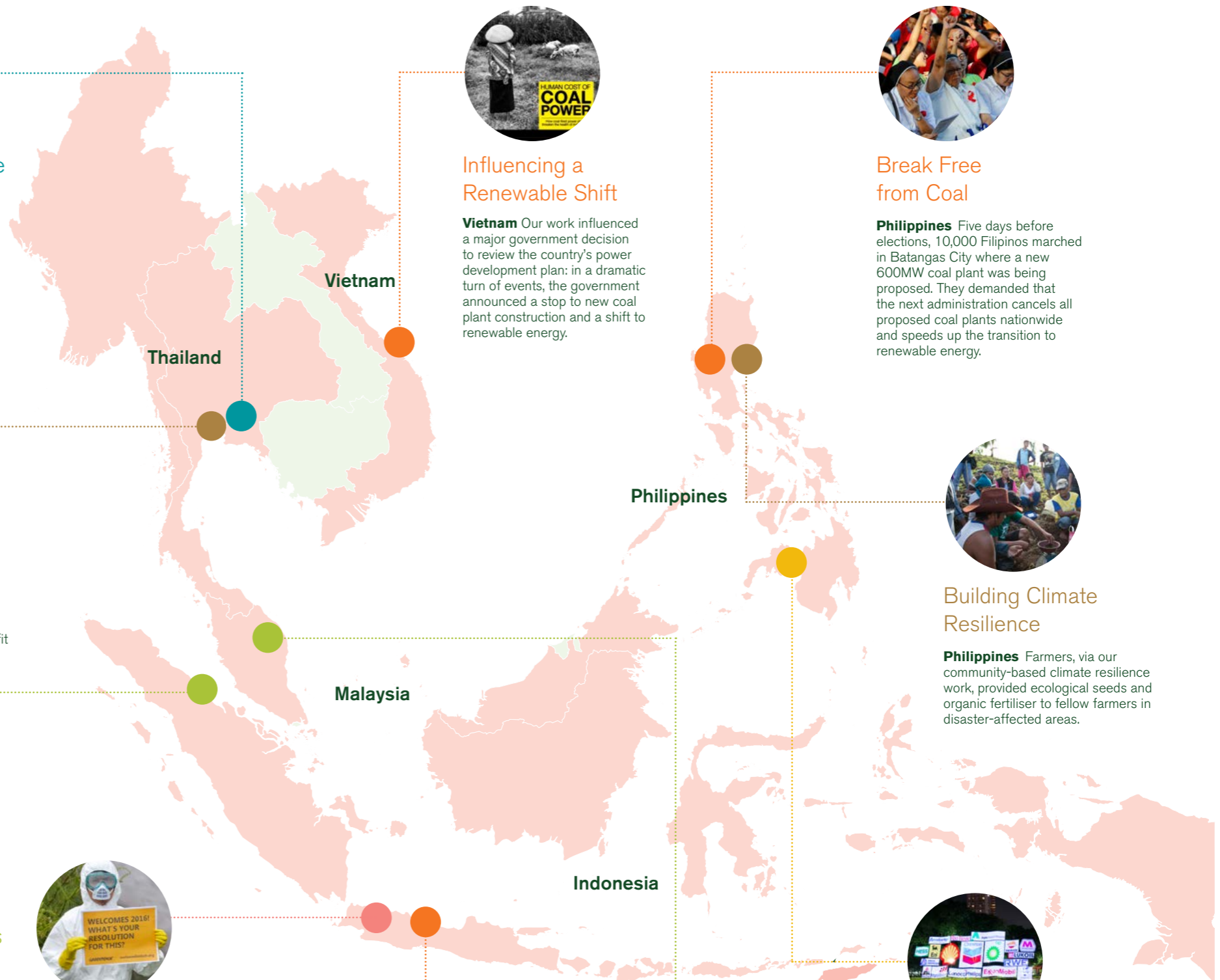
### Break Free from Coal

**Indonesia** As part of the "break free" movement, Greenpeace activists brought coal supplies to a standstill at the massive coal-fired power plant in Cirebon.



### Delivering the Message

**Malaysia** Volunteers deliver a global petition signed by 300,000 people to the IOI Group, calling on the palm oil company to end its contribution to the regional Haze caused by forest fires by their suppliers.





ZERO DEFORESTATION

# The Root of the Problem

Volunteers from across Indonesia, many of them impacted by forest fires and Haze, came together to form the Forest Fire Fighter and Prevention team. They were professionally trained and worked closely with local fire fighters and communities to help prevent and to stop fires on the ground.

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Volunteers and representatives from several Malaysian environmental groups present a global petition asking IOI Group to stop forest destruction and prevent the Southeast Asian Haze.



“ I had hoped the government and companies could resolve the fire crisis, but their failure to do so made me realise I have a responsibility to preserve Indonesian forests.”

**Nilus Kasmi**  
Activist from a forest fire impacted community in West Kalimantan, Indonesia



Preserving our forests is an urgent priority in Southeast Asia, particularly in Indonesia where forests are being cut down at record rates. Last year our work with communities yielded victories that are changing mindsets and corporate behaviour while ensuring stronger government action. We focused our work on lifting the veil of secrecy about deforestation and getting that information out to the general public, in doing so, put pressure on the perpetrators.

### Facing Facts

In March, we launched Kepo Hutan, an interactive online mapping platform that allows the public to monitor fires and deforestation in near-real time. The map is also the first ever public platform to show detailed company information, about where the concessions are and who owns them and how that information relates to peatlands, fire hotspots and deforestation alerts. Aside from promoting transparency, the map allows the public to participate in monitoring forest fires.

Six months later, Greenpeace Indonesia won a freedom of information lawsuit against the Ministry of Environment and Forestry. The decision compels the Ministry to release information on seven different geospatial maps of Indonesia, including those showing palm oil, timber and mining concessions. Although the Ministry contested the decision in November, it paves the way for better transparency on government data, particularly on extractive industries.

### Fighting Fire

These events culminated at the end of the year with the launch of Greenpeace Indonesia's "Forest Fire Prevention Campaign". This was a series of public activities such as art exhibits, shows and a social media petition. The campaign seeks to engage urban audiences to learn more about forest fires and how to prevent them. The launch introduced the Forest Fire Prevention Team consisting of 25 volunteers from all over Indonesia including some who were personally impacted by the fires. The launch was well received by the public, evidence of the growing public sentiment for forest protection.

### Pressuring Palm Oil

In 2016, we also stepped up our work to pressure IOI, one of the world's largest palm oil traders, to address deforestation and exploitation in its supply chain. IOI suppliers are linked to human rights abuses, child labour, deforestation and forest fires. Greenpeace activists, including two men from Indonesia who were personally affected by the forest fires, blockaded IOI's refinery in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, to call on the palm oil giant to commit to a sustainable supply chain. Greenpeace volunteers and representatives from Malaysian environmental groups also presented a petition with 300,000 names from around the world at the IOI Group global headquarters.

### WHAT'S NEXT



The work to protect forests continues, and Greenpeace will remain to be on the front lines working with communities and the public to pressure corporations and governments to ensure sustainable practices that don't destroy our most treasured resources are in place.



CLIMATE AND ENERGY

# Fuelling Clean Energy

Part of the "Break Free" global activities in May 2016, Greenpeace Indonesia activists unfurl banners from cranes blocking the loading of coal at the Cirebon Coal Power Plant.

→ Over 800 youth and volunteers join the Greenpeace 'Mini Marathon - Run for Clean Air' in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

→ Renewable energy advocates launch the Greenpeace Solar Rooftop Challenge in Metro Manila, highlighting the potential of solar energy in the Philippines.



Last year we continued to battle coal and catalyse the shift to renewable energy in the region, marching on the frontlines with affected communities and other civil society groups. Greenpeace Southeast Asia joined the international wave of actions to break free from fossil fuels. The movement saw hundreds of thousands of people around the globe marching in the streets under the banner "Break Free" to send a message to keep coal, oil and gas in the ground. These mobilisations highlighted the strong solidarity among groups clamouring for renewable energy and served to give courage and inspiration to the many coal and fossil fuel-affected communities around the world.

## Calling Out Coal

In Indonesia, Greenpeace activists brought coal supply to a standstill at the massive coal-fired power plant in Cirebon, West Java. The activists climbed the plant's loading cranes and unfurled giant banners with the messages: "Quit Coal" and "Clean Energy, Clean Air." Thousands of people were mobilised in Jakarta, including communities and civil society groups, to demand the country move away from coal and embrace renewable energy. In the Philippines, Greenpeace joined 10,000 people in Batangas City to demand a stop to the construction of more coal plants.

We also focused on the harmful health effects caused by coal-fired power plants. In Vietnam, our work supported local groups in highlighting air pollution that would arise from the proposed new coal projects. We collaborated with the Vietnam Sustainable Energy Alliance and researchers from Harvard University in a groundbreaking study, which showed how existing coal plants in the country cause an estimated 4,300 premature deaths every year. This work influenced a major

government decision to review the country's power development plan. In a new dramatic turn of events, the government announced it would stop new coal plant construction and a shift to renewable energy.

Similar exposés on the health impacts of air pollution from coal-fired power plants were launched in Indonesia, the Philippines and Thailand. The reports, which highlighted how communities suffer from coal pollution, triggered public debates and were instrumental in changing perceptions on coal use.

The "Banpu report" was the result of an investigation by Greenpeace Southeast Asia that revealed how coal investments by the Thai based Banpu Public Company Limited has led to massive environmental destruction in Kalimantan, Indonesia and impacted local residents who depend on natural resources for their livelihood. We also launched the "Right to Clean Air" campaign, calling on the Pollution Control Department to include PM2.5 into Thailand's air quality index so that there is a more accurate measurement of air quality across the country. We held running events and produced materials to inform people what PM2.5 is and its causes and impacts.

## Solar Solutions

At the same time, we worked to let people know they can make a difference. We showcased renewable energy solutions happening around the region, and let people know what they can do to get involved. With the "Solar Rooftop Challenge" in the Philippines, we worked with nontraditional allies including celebrities, PR agencies and banks to highlight the benefits of solar energy and encourage ordinary households to go solar.

## WHAT'S NEXT



Looking ahead, our work in 2017 will continue to engage people in the energy revolution. We will be working at local level to get cities to commit to renewable energy roadmaps and will be reaching out to more groups to expand our network of people who are demanding renewable energy from our governments.

“Coal has a dirty history in Indonesia ranging from land grabs, violence against local communities, polluting our air and exporting climate change to the rest of the world. The time is now for ordinary Indonesians to show the government and foreign investors in our dirty coal industry that enough is enough.”

**Arif Fiyanto**  
Greenpeace Climate and Energy Campaigner



FOOD FOR LIFE

# From the Ground Up

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Our campaign on food and ecological agriculture is an everyday act of affirmation and support to local farmers and an expression of our care for the environment. Every meal we consume that is made from local ecological farm ingredients can be an act of resistance against corporate control of our food.

**Watcharapol Daengsubha**  
Greenpeace Food and Ecological  
Agriculture Campaigner

Greenpeace Campaigner Watcharapol Daengsubha worked with the Vanessa School in Pathum Thani to pilot a “We Grow” ecological garden where students will learn how to grow their own food and benefit from ecological agriculture.

→ Indigenous farming communities in the Philippines who were severely affected by severe drought, undergo training on farming with organic open-pollinated seeds.



For the past two years, our work to ensure ecologically sound agriculture has established strong partnerships with farmers and farmers' groups, agriculture-focused civil society organizations, local government units and youth groups. In 2016 in the Philippines, we continued to bring in more groups and individuals under a far-reaching people's food movement. Together with these groups, we demanded a people's food policy with the goal to advance ecological farming in the country.

Engagement from youth peaked in the lead up to the country's presidential elections. The Greenpeace-organized youth group #IAMHampasLupa made waves during the presidential debates. Because of their efforts, food security and agriculture became priority issues in the agendas of the presidential candidates. In the process, they highlighted ecological farming as a viable solution to food and nutrition security.

### Back to Nature

To address corporate control of food and agriculture, we kept up the pressure on the Government of the Philippines to transition to climate-resilient ecological farming. In partnership with the Rice Watch Action Network, we worked with 15 local government units to localise climate data and provide season-long climate resilience training for farmers to transition to ecological agriculture. We also provided a free SMS service as part of early warning systems for farming communities to prepare for incoming weather disturbances. In the aftermath of three major typhoons and during the onslaught of El Niño,

we led pioneering farmer-to-farmer ecological response efforts. Farmers, via our community-based climate resilient work and ecological agriculture network, provided ecological seeds and organic fertilisers to fellow farmers in disaster-affected areas.

### A Growing Trend

The year 2016 also ushered in a victory in Thailand. Together with hundreds of people who were part of the local sustainable agriculture network, we were able to successfully halt a bill that eroded regulations for open-field planting of genetically modified crops. Work on this issue continues as we need to be vigilant to ensure this development is not overturned.

Part of our work focused on the north of Thailand. We undertook rapid response work to documenting the environmental impacts of unsustainable practices, particularly forest fire and Haze from slash and burn farming, and highlighted the impacts of drought and El Niño in the north to raise awareness of the benefits of ecological farming.

Finally, in the last quarter of the year, we launched the project “We Grow,” a multi-sectoral effort to change food systems in local schools in Thailand. As part of the project, we helped primary school children grow ecological kitchen gardens on their campuses, providing vegetables for their school lunches and ensuring that future generations will continue to champion a sustainable future for our food.

### WHAT'S NEXT



The work to promote ecological agriculture continues. Building on the gains from 2016, we will focus on ensuring that a people's food policy is adopted in the Philippines. In Thailand, we will continue similar work to change the country's food policy. Our work will ensure better health for the planet and future generations.



DEFENDING OUR OCEANS

# Undercurrents of Change

Activists carry portraits of former human trafficking victims in front of the Ministry of Manpower, Jakarta

→ Hundreds of Thai fishermen form a human banner in Prachuab Khiri Kan, calling upon the government to solve the country's fisheries management problems.



Our oceans are under siege on many fronts, from unsustainable fishing practices to plastic pollution and irresponsible tourism. Our work in 2016 continued to stem the tide of destruction to ensure future generations will still benefit from the bounty of healthy oceans.

## Exposing the Seafood Industry

In 2016, Southeast Asia continued to be at the centre of global efforts to change the unsustainable and exploitative practices of the world's major fishing companies. Greenpeace ranked the sustainability of canned tuna brands and products. The ranking is one of the big steps in moving canned tuna companies to adopt better practices in their supply chain.

Greenpeace also put human rights and labour issues at the centre of environmental campaigning, tracking abusive fishing fleets from Indonesia to Papua New Guinea and all the way to the Indian Ocean and East Africa. A groundbreaking report, "Turn the Tide" revealed these abuses in the Thai seafood industry and named the companies responsible for exploitation and destruction in the seafood supply chain. In Indonesia, we worked with labour organisations to obtain a commitment from the Indonesian government to develop a roadmap that will put an end to slavery in the fishing industry.

## A Major Catch

On the global front, we uncovered how fishing fleets elude monitoring by transferring their catch to other vessels at sea. Greenpeace is leading the call to ban this practice and to move companies such as Nestlé to eliminate it in their supply chain.

But we're not only moving corporations and policy-makers. Our work in Southeast Asia continues to reach out to the public. We mobilised consumers, local businesses, artists and communities to gather public support for sustainable seafood and the protection of our oceans from trash and unsustainable tourism.

In the Philippines, we took part in the second "Sustainable Seafood Week" with major hotels, restaurants, seafood businesses, other NGOs and celebrities. The event has grown in scale, with deeper commitments from businesses to work together to ensure the traceability of seafood supplies. Our work in Southeast Asia was instrumental in spurring this initiative.

## Oceans of Plastic

In Indonesia, together with a growing movement of allies, we unveiled the country's "Break Free From Plastic" movement during the 2016 Ocean Festival in Jakarta. The festival focused on addressing the problem of plastic debris in our oceans, and highlighted the commitment from different organisations, as well as the public, to tackle this growing problem.

### WHAT'S NEXT



Our work in the past five years has spurred changes and enabled policy and business practices that have paved the way for the increased protection of our oceans. But much remains to be done. Greenpeace will continue to work with communities and our allies around the region to ensure lasting changes are in place, and our oceans are healthy and productive for future generations.

Greenpeace campaigning has pushed the concerned authorities to do intensive patrolling of destructive fishing practices.

**Laurensius Juang De Rosari**  
Pole and Line Fisherman,  
Larantuka, Indonesia

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CLIMATE JUSTICE

# Our World Our Rights

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We've been affected for so long by storms, droughts...by extreme weather, now made worse by climate change. We just want to live a decent and peaceful life without the fear of being at the mercy of big corporations that only care about their profits. Our only choice is to defend our rights.

**Veronica Cabe**  
Community Petitioner, Philippines.

Joanna Sustento, typhoon Haiyan survivor lighting candles to spell out "Climate Justice" on the anniversary of the typhoons devastating landfall.

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Greenpeace volunteers create a light painting revealing some of the "Big Polluters" included in the Philippines Commission of Human Rights petition.



The landmark climate justice petition filed in 2015 and led by Greenpeace Southeast Asia's "Climate Justice and Liability Campaign" gained momentum in 2016. The petition was instrumental in moving communities and groups around the world to file similar cases for legal action against climate change causing Big Polluters. These groups are very diverse and include senior women in Switzerland, indigenous Peoples in Canada, farmers from Peru and Pakistan, youth in New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Uganda, and the United States, and individuals and NGOs in Belgium, the Netherlands, and Sweden. This clearly demonstrates the growing strength of the movement and the recognition that climate change impacts are, in fact, human rights violations. Together with the first ever climate change human rights case filed in the Philippines, these actions show how people around the world are banding together to fight for a common cause.

### Big Polluters, Big Challenge

Progress on the Philippine case continues. In July 2016, the Philippine Commission on Human Rights (CHR) ordered the Big Polluters to respond to allegations of human rights abuses brought about by climate change. The Big Polluters are companies responsible for the majority of fossil fuel products that have been manufactured, marketed and sold since the industrial revolution and have contributed the lion's share of fossil fuel emissions responsible for climate change.

In December, despite opposition from Big Polluters, the CHR initiated the next steps to investigate the alleged culpability of fossil fuel companies on human rights resulting from climate change. Public hearings are scheduled to take place in 2018. The CHR also announced that the trials would be webcast due to the global significance of the court case.

Petitioners welcomed the commission's announcement as indicative of its continued commitment to proceed with the investigation in a transparent and inclusive way, despite surmountable challenges presented by some of the corporate respondents. The action paves the way toward finding and documenting facts, educating communities, fostering dialogue, allowing for the exchange of information and enabling mutual understanding among all stakeholders.

### Shining a Light

Throughout the year we also continued our work to amplify the voices of people and communities in the Philippines who suffer from the impacts of climate change. We revisited Tacloban City to show how people's lives have been forever changed due to Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. Uncovering these stories is essential in stepping up the fight for climate justice and the need to hold Big Polluters accountable.

WHAT'S NEXT



In 2017, Greenpeace will continue to be vigilant in ensuring the court case undergoes a transparent public process with the participation of all relevant stakeholders including corporations, expert witnesses from academe and institutions, communities and organisations.



CREATING A TOXICS-FREE FUTURE

# Policing Pollution

...In May 2016 we achieved victory together with community groups through a landmark court case challenging the Indonesian government's decision to issue wastewater permits to three major textile companies polluting the Citarum River...



A textile company employee is reflected in a leak of toxic waste in West Java, Indonesia. This was one of three companies allegedly discharging their waste to surrounding farm areas for almost 20 years.

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A worker sits on stacks of used monitors at the electronic waste shelter and smelter in East Java, Indonesia.



People power is reshaping the fashion industry, and it's happening right here in Southeast Asia. Following through with the campaign to detox fashion brands, our work with partners in Indonesia has been influential in changing policy on industrial pollution.

In May 2016, we achieved victory together with community groups Pawapeling, Walhi and Legal Aid Bandung, through a landmark court case challenging the Indonesian government's decision to issue wastewater permits to three major textile companies polluting the Citarum River. The decision effectively suspends, cancels and revokes the government decree that legalises pollution.

Meanwhile, together with partners in the Philippines, we worked on stepping up the call for the government to adopt a pollution information disclosure policy, which is gaining ground among policymakers.

## Ending E-waste

2016 also saw the launch of the global Greenpeace project "True Innovation", which aims to challenge the technology sector to embrace innovation that protects our environment and our future. The project seeks to engage ordinary people who use gadgets, as well as 'techies' and designers, to demand that mobile manufacturers embrace true innovation which includes long lasting, repairable and recyclable phones free of hazardous chemicals.

The launch of the project in the Philippines gathered advocates, business representatives, artists, government officials and other NGOs in a dialogue on addressing the challenge of e-waste.

### WHAT'S NEXT



Every year, seven billion mobile phones around the globe are thrown away and become e-waste. Greenpeace is campaigning to promote responsible electronic consumption and is urging companies to take responsibility for their products from development to disposal, including taking the initiative to recycle and make products that last longer.



# Thank You for Your Support



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**Nilus Kasmi Seran**  
**Architect and Volunteer Firefighter**  
 Indonesia

“ I believe in doing small things with a big heart, that's how I dedicate myself to keeping the air clean. I do this because I love and care for my daughters, my wife, my family and my brothers and sisters in Kalimantan. I am grateful to Greenpeace - the organisation has remained faithful to creating a better environment for future generations. When I joined as a volunteer, I was able to take part in meaningful activities that help our environment. Of course, this is just a start; the battle lies ahead. I believe God works in everything that benefits the good of all. I believe we can do it.

In the harbour of Rotterdam, the palm oil gateway to Europe, Greenpeace activists block imports and exports from Malaysian palm oil trader IOI Group. Nilus Kasmi Seran from West Kalimantan is a member of the Forest Fire Prevention (FFP) team and has been directly affected by Indonesia's forest fires.



**Keng Tachaya**  
**Singer, Donor and Online Activist**  
 Thailand

“ I believe, if they can, people should help contribute to society and others. What I do may be a small thing but it is a way to value others and contribute to making other people's lives meaningful, instead of being selfish. It's about being merciful and being inclusive and sympathetic to all living things. I hope this kind of mindset can inspire others, and perhaps eventually and collectively make this world better. We are all people of the world so we can all help each other overcome global challenges.



**Joanna Sustento**  
**Writer and Activist**  
 Philippines

“ Climate change is not just statistics and numbers; it is about us, the people. The climate crisis is real. Filipinos are now taking a stand to intervene and fight for the human right to a safe, clean, and healthy environment; the right to have a good quality of life with no fear or worry about the future adverse impacts of climate change. I want people to be aware of the things happening on our side of the world and that the decisions we make today will also affect the choices of future generations. We only have one planet, one home; let us not take it for granted.



**Lee Hui Ling**  
**Lecturer and Activist**  
 Malaysia

“ I have volunteered for more than two years. I'm amazed at how like-minded Greenpeace activists are, united by the singular goal to champion environmental issues through a campaigning system that delivers results.



**San Tint Tint Htoo**  
**Student and Activist**  
 Myanmar

“ I am very proud to be a volunteer with Greenpeace Southeast Asia. I always worry about what would happen if there wasn't any safe drinking water in the world, how could we survive? I used to think that, as an individual, I really couldn't do anything. Fortunately, I found out that I can contribute to saving the world by participating in Greenpeace Southeast Asia activities.

Yes, we volunteers cannot save and change the world immediately. However, we can start with ourselves at least. One voice is too small, but if we come together our voices will have greater power to create a better environment.



**Nur Sakeenah Omar**  
**Freelancer and Volunteer**  
 Malaysia

“ I'm inspired by the way Greenpeace works around the world, taking action and making a significant impact on the environment. So I think Greenpeace can be the platform for me to spread awareness and do something to protect the environment.



**Farhan Nasa**  
**Student and Volunteer**  
 Malaysia

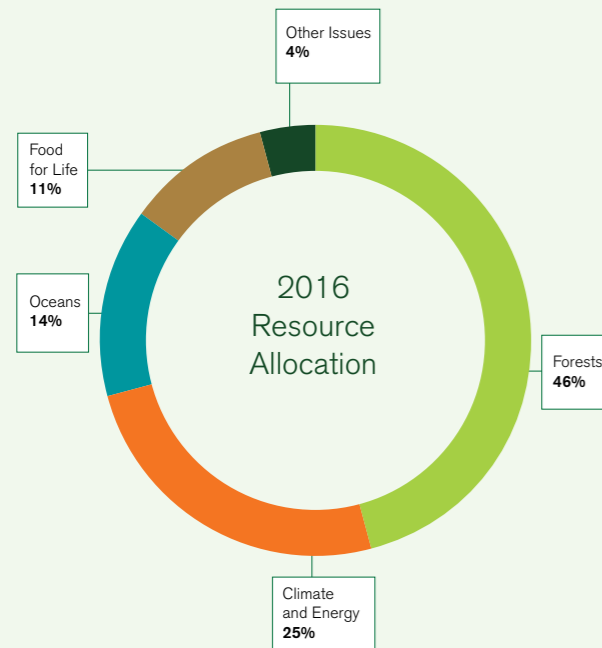
“ I am blessed to be a part of a movement that takes care of and conserves Mother Nature. I am constantly amazed and inspired by the work of Greenpeace members and volunteers, and those from other environmental groups that I am lucky enough to have met as well. We have made positive changes in the fight against harmful environmental impacts and indifferent parties. I do believe there is still a fair bit to go from here, but it is our responsibility to persevere and persist together in our cause.



# Financials

In 2016, Greenpeace Southeast Asia had 48,231 financial donors from all walks of life who supported our work. Because of them, we are able to campaign for a greener future by investigating, documenting and lobbying for the protection of our climate, forests, oceans, freshwater and food. Greenpeace is the only global environmental charity organisation that does not accept funds from corporations

or governments. Our financial independence enables us to do our job credibly by exposing environmental crimes and demanding accountability and restitution. During this year, we increased our investment in fundraising to enable strong sustainable growth in coming years and were able to raise THB 172,385,583 within the region.



#### Financial Statement Explanatory Notes:

1. Greenpeace Southeast Asia's (GPSEA) Financial Statements are prepared based on International Financial Reporting Standard for Small and Medium-Sized Entities (IFRS-SME). Financial Statements under IFRS-SME are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting whereby revenues and costs are recognised when incurred in respect of the transaction that can be measured reliably.

2. A substantive majority of our GPSEA's revenues comes from grants from the Stichting Greenpeace Council as a part of their commitment to support GPSEA as a Priority Office, as part of the front line in the world's most serious environmental battles.

3. As part of GPSEA's 2014-2016 Three Year Plan for achieving growth, GPSEA is significantly investing in its fundraising operations in order to grow future revenues and to increase capacity. The returns from this investment will be realised in future years, bringing the overall costs of fundraising down.

4. GPSEA's expenditures comply with the established internal policies, regulations and procedures (regionally and globally) and are part of the yearly budget that is reviewed and approved by GPSEA's Regional Board of Directors.

5. As GPSEA focuses on non-violent direct action and campaigns to reach our aim, the campaign priorities are reflected in the GPSEA's expenditure. Per campaign issues, 46% of the campaign expenditure was used for forest campaign, 25% for climate and energy campaign, 14% for ocean campaign, 11% for sustainable agriculture campaign, and 4% for other campaigns such as toxic campaign and rapid response. Any excess of revenue incurred will be kept in our reserve and will be available for future campaigns and programmes in accordance with Greenpeace Reserve Policy.

Moving forward with our growing supporter base and dedicated activists, with you and others like you in Southeast Asia, small gains and huge victories are possible. For more information, please get in touch with our supporter care team at [supporterservices.ph@greenpeace.org](mailto:supporterservices.ph@greenpeace.org)

GPSEA Statement of Activities	2016	2015
	Thai baht	Thai baht
<b>Revenue</b>		
Contribution from Stichting Greenpeace Council	194,427,089	191,978,712
Fundraising	161,403,589	174,773,476
Others	10,981,993	6,258,381
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>366,812,672</b>	<b>373,010,569</b>
<b>Costs Incurred</b>		
<b>Programme</b>		
Forest	108,639,101	87,226,671
Climate and Energy	41,239,484	31,467,896
Climate Justice	17,674,065	7,381,358
Oceans	33,201,391	35,826,498
Food for Life	24,890,529	38,973,404
Detox	9,952,769	9,823,936
Polar	-	253,402
Other Issues	892,853	785,755
<b>Total Programme</b>	<b>236,490,192</b>	<b>211,738,920</b>
<b>Non-Programme</b>		
Fundraising	108,270,308	103,034,122
Management and General	54,153,629	52,066,390
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>162,423,937</b>	<b>155,100,513</b>
<b>Total Programme and Support</b>	<b>398,914,129</b>	<b>366,839,432</b>
Change in Net Asset	(32,101,457)	6,171,136
Net Asset, Beginning of Year	95,791,283	89,620,147
<b>Net Asset, End of Year</b>	<b>63,689,826</b>	<b>95,791,283</b>



To question,  
To speak,  
To confront,  
To dare to dream of  
a better world.

We won't allow ourselves to  
be silenced

Together we are  
Greenpeace.

Forest Fire Prevention Team  
members put their hands  
together in preparation for the  
work ahead of them.

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