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JOHANNESBURG JOINS IN THE GLOBAL DAY OF CLIMATE ACTION TO DEMAND A 'REAL DEAL' FROM WORLD LEADERS

One of Over 1,600 Events in more than 110 Countries

Johannesburg, 11 December 2009: Tomorrow, Earthlife Africa Johannesburg and Climate Justice Now! SA are holding a mass mobilisation event in Johannesburg as part of the Global Day of Climate Action. This event presents an opportunity for ordinary people in countries around the world to stand up and demand that world leaders act now to stop climate change.

Greenpeace Africa and CIVICUS are also participating in this event in support of the international alliance of Tcktcktck.org and many other organisations around the world to send one simple and clear message: At the Copenhagen climate summit, the world wants a real deal!

The Johannesburg activities will include street theatre, a mock funeral procession and a mass die-in. In addition, there will be a canvas message wall sponsored by Greenpeace Africa and CIVICUS, which will give people a chance to publicly write up their demands for a real deal in Copenhagen.

The Global Day of Action comes at the mid-point of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen where world leaders are meeting to sign a new climate treaty. Around the world on the 12th of December 2009 hundreds of thousands of people will attend rallies to raise their voices in protest against climate change. Together, the environmental and civil society organisations involved in the Global Day of Action in Johannesburg urge world leaders to take bold and immediate steps to sign a fair, ambitious and legally binding deal in Copenhagen.

"This is our chance to remind all the leaders that are gathered in Copenhagen that we want action, and not rhetoric or jargon. We want science to prevail" says Melita Steele, Greenpeace Africa climate campaigner.

Global Day of Action event details:

Date: 12 December 2009

Time: 10:00h-13:00h

Venue: Gauteng Legislature

Address: Corner of Rissik and Market Street, Central Johannesburg

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