R2 AM12: Climate Adaptation Is Justice: Care for Europe's Vulnerable Territories

Proposers DWARS

Motion text

From line 61 to 63:

While the European Union formally recognises the need for climate adaptation and environmental protection through frameworks such as the EU Adaptation Strategy, the Nature Restoration Law, and the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), these instruments remain subordinated to a model centred on competitiveness, market liberalisation, and endless economic growth. The current adaptation framework lacks binding targets, measurable timelines, robust monitoring mechanisms, and dedicated financing. At the same time, the Nature Restoration Law was approved in a significantly watered-down version, with a reduced scope and no binding targets. The ongoing CAP reforms and broader deregulation agendas instigated by far-right forces and industrial lobbies, with the support of the right, centre and even some left-leaning parliamentarians are dismantling environmental safeguards and climate-resilient approaches in the name of "simplification", reducing collective protections and shifting decision-making away from common ecological standards toward fragmented and voluntary approaches. Public resources are increasingly redirected toward militarisation and security agendas rather than socio-ecological resilience, deepening territorial inequalities and abandoning rural and inland communities to climate breakdown.

~~A~~However, a different path exists: one of care, where ~~these~~vulnerable areas become laboratories of socio-ecological adaptation and collective well-being.

Reason

Adding some more specific context on the EU adaptation policies, and why problems persist despite an existing adaptation strategy. This will allow us to make more targeted demands in the next section. We also discussed this with GEC and they were happy with the addition.