



NEWSLETTER

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Celebrating Earth Day 2020



A day to think, and act!

On April 22 was the 50th Earth Day. The origins of this celebration go back to 1970, when U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson and environmental activist Denis Hayes took to the streets 20 million people, 10% of the U.S. population at the time, to protest the planet's environmental degradation.

The day chosen should encourage the participation of the university community and should not coincide with any religious festival, so they decided on April 22, the birthday of John Muir, a pioneer of conservationism and a founding member of the famous "Sierra Club".

For further information push here.









URBACT City responds to COVID

This is a collaborative map to illustrate how URBACT cities are responding to covid 19 and maybe offer a source of inspiration to other cities.

At a time when the impact of the pandemic has changed our way of life, Tropaverde has launched different educational materials on the environment with the aim of transmitting the importance of taking care of the planet. Tropaverde has created a leisure at home programme proposing new creative and educational activities for children and families.



COVID is **NOT** being good for the environment!

The effects of confinement are positive in a short term. However, this pandemic will bring several harmful effects. For further information, click <u>here</u>.



Seven books for young people to sign a new pact with Earth

Young people must be active participants in the process of change in our relationship with the planet, just because the future belongs to them. Get to know more clicking here.

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