



# How are ecofeminist research & action tackling the climate crisis?

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‘Nowhere in the world today women and men are equal. And that is a fact. Just look at who own the money and who are the ones in power. Still today we have a long way to equality. And we have to acknowledge that.

*The more I learn about the climate crisis the more I realise how crucial feminism is.* There are many studies showing that men emit more than women on average. And that women are the ones who are going to be most effected by the climate crisis.

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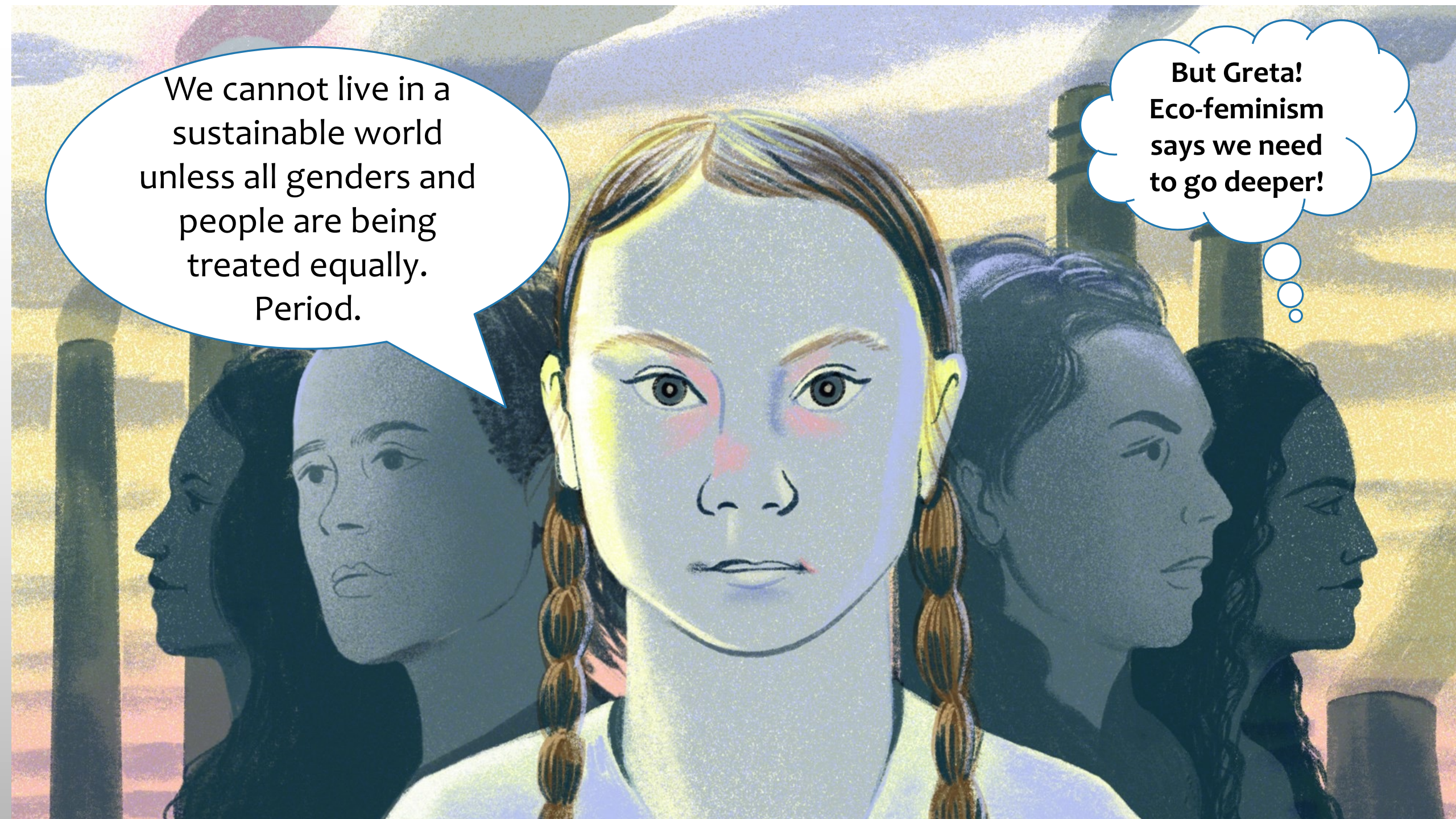


Greta Thunberg, Facebook post,  
International Women’s Day, March 8 2019









We cannot live in a sustainable world unless all genders and people are being treated equally. Period.

**But Greta!  
Eco-feminism  
says we need  
to go deeper!**



# What is ecofeminism?

Environmentalism



Feminism



# Ecofeminism

- a political movement that sees the oppression of women and nature as interlinked. It brings critique of anthropocentrism into feminism and critique of misogyny<sup>+</sup> into environmentalism.
- seeks to end intersecting oppressions and calls for a just and sustainable society based on multi-species justice, social egalitarianism, commoning and caring democracy.



A large crowd of people is gathered for a protest on a city street. In the foreground, a large purple banner with white text reads "FEMINISTS DEMAND CLIMATE JUSTICE". Behind the banner, many people are visible, some wearing winter clothing like scarves and hats. In the background, there are several large figures and signs. One prominent figure is a large, stylized head of a person with a mustache and a white shirt. Another figure is a large, dark, hooded figure with a gas mask. A sign in the background says "Keep it in the round". The scene is set in an urban environment with buildings and trees visible in the background.

**FEMINISTS DEMAND  
CLIMATE JUSTICE**



# GLOBAL FEMINIST FRAMEWORKS FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE TOWN HALL

Frameworks Reader  
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## TOWARDS A FEMINIST GREEN NEW DEAL FOR THE UK

A PAPER FOR THE WBG COMMISSION ON A  
GENDER-EQUAL ECONOMY

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## Building Narratives for a Caring Green Economy

A Feminist Green New Deal Coalition Report

SEPTEMBER 2021



# Centering care work in climate action

Climate interventions must be *care sensitive*: they must accept, first, that care work is foundational to all societies and their economies and, second, that efforts to respond to climate change will not be socially just unless the value of care work and the needs, experiences and knowledge of carers are included at all stages.





## WHOSE WORK COUNTS AS GREEN? WHO CARES?



Green New Deals should expand their concept of what "green jobs" are.



Most jobs in healthcare, education, child and elderly care are *already* low-carbon. And care jobs largely go to women and people of color.



Investing in care would be one important step towards making Green New Deals greener and fairer.



For effective solutions, Green New Deals need to understand humans as *part* of nature, not its master.

And to ask how we can live in responsible reciprocal relationship with other living beings.

<https://genderandsecurity.org/feminist-approaches-gnds>





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172 Photos & videos



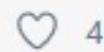
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What we want? How about we #buildbackbetter \*without\* 20th C gender stereotypes?

We need a feminist green new deal @BuildBckBetter @Wen\_UK @WomensBudgetGrp

[eventbrite.co.uk/e/what-would-a...](https://eventbrite.co.uk/e/what-would-a...)





# Summing up:

Changing narratives

Centering care

Collaboration & coalition



Artwork found at:

<https://www.nastywomanwines.com/events/climate-women-equity> (artist not named)