

Results of IDF commemorations



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Forests and the SDGs

21 March

Palais des Nations
Room VIII, 10h30 to
11h45

Joint-event of FAO, UNECE, UN-REDD and the Permanent Missions of Indonesia, Norway and Pakistan

Key roles and functions of forests in sustaining life, livelihoods for the attainment of SDGs emphasized and recognized

Countries reiterated commitments to halting deforestation and forest degradation

Innovation, partnership,
data and information and analysis

Education, awareness and capacity building

Forests is everyone's business!







FAO's Essay & Drawing Contest

- International School of Geneva and Institut International de Lancy
- 62 entries –creative, informative and instructive
- The submission indicated that students are well aware of the importance of forests
- Students expressed their deep concern about the way forests are being managed – they want to see increased and urgent action to stop deforestation
- Lack of understanding/awareness on «Sustainable utilization of forests» – students only spoke mostly about stopping the cutting of trees
- 9 winners (7 girls and 2 boys)

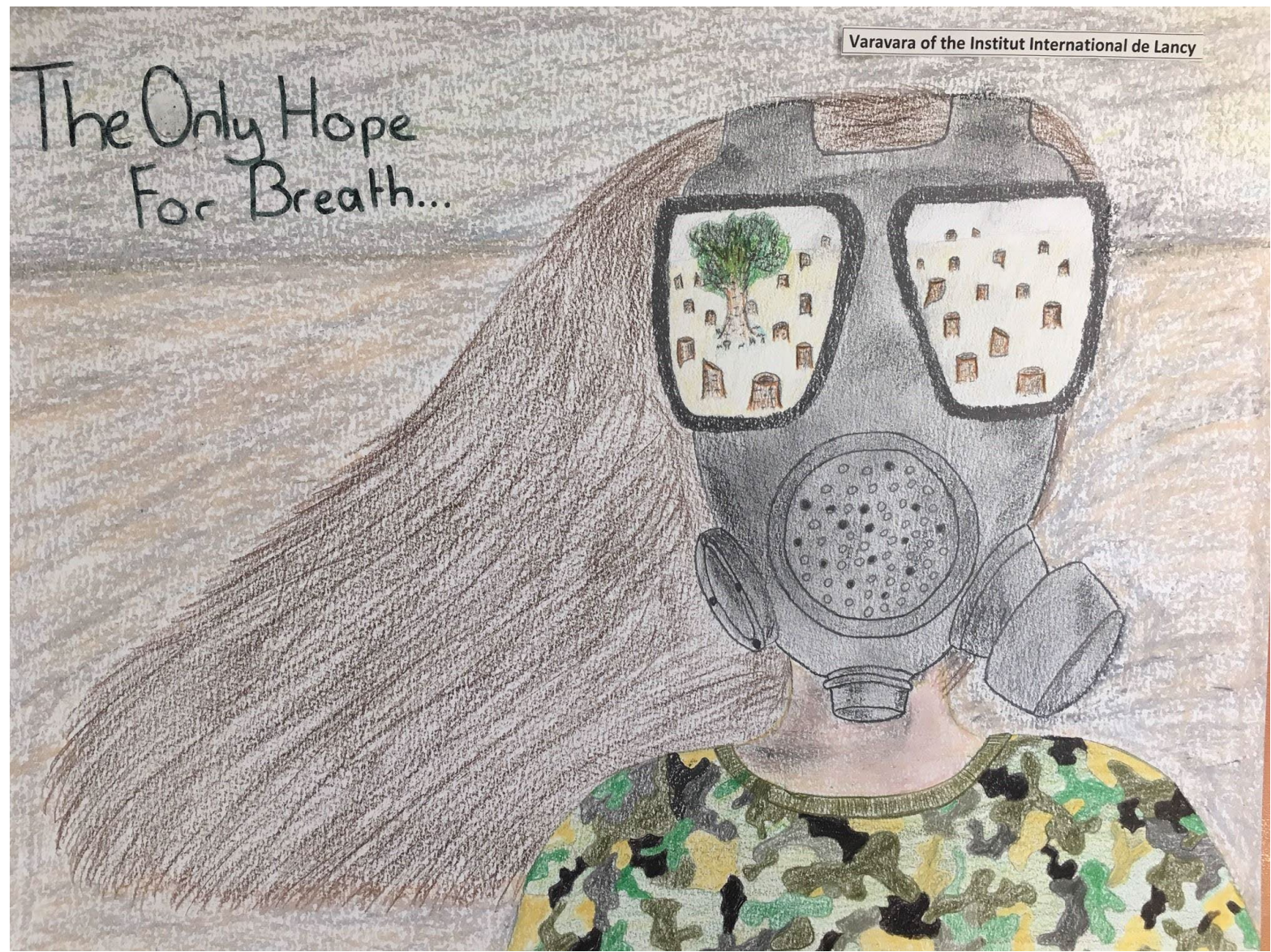


SAVE
FORESTS

*Millie of the International
School of Geneva*

Varavara of the Institut International de Lancy

The Only Hope
For Breath...



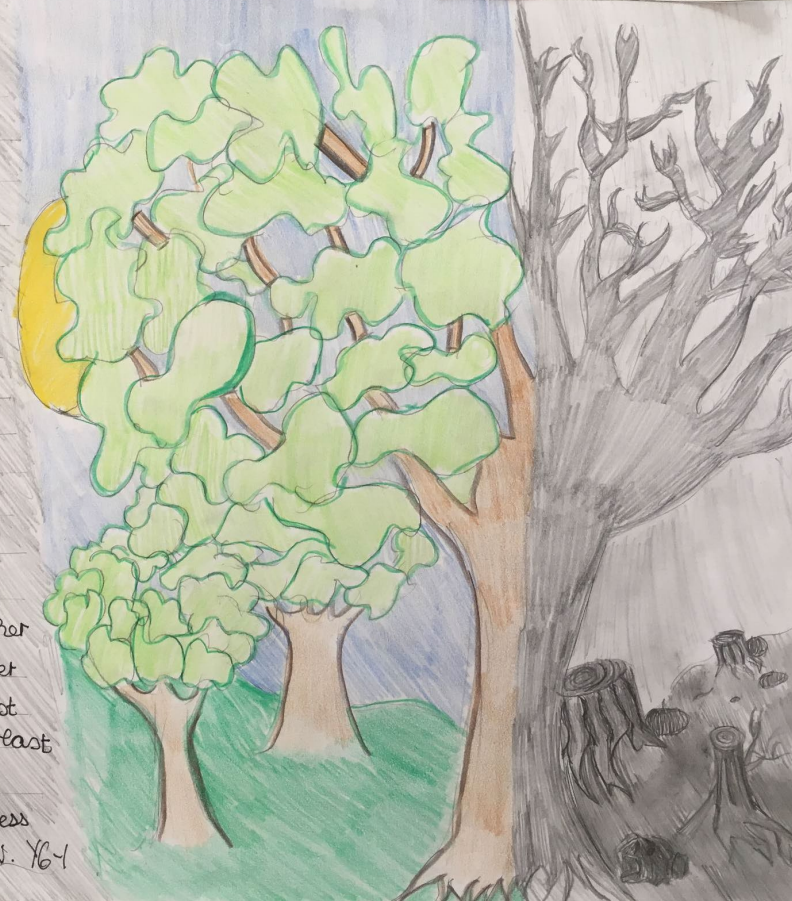
The Tree's Shadow

The shadow lay
our life today
trees don't grow
our life stays so
the darkness spreads
our life depends
on light, And sight
that has the might
they shan't advance
without a chance
so let's pray
and let them stay
Today is the day
that we display
to let us work together
and be stronger than ever

The shadows were past
so let that be the last
for this is a process
to lead to the progress

Hannah W. '16-1

Hannah of the Institut International de Lancy



Jack's tree

Lucas of the International School of Geneva

....."Once upon a time, there was a little boy called Jack....He begged his mom to plant a tree in his backyard.... By the time Jack was 10 the tree had begun to grow and it was half his size and when he turned 20 his tree was double his size."

"In his 40th year, his mom became ill and went to the hospital. Jack didn't want his mom to fade away in a hospital so he took her home and they sat together under his tree."

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"One day his mother took his hand, this has breathed life into me Jack, you have to do the same for others. So Jack decided to travel the world planting trees and spread hope, laughter and health."

The future of forests

Charlotte of the International School of Geneva

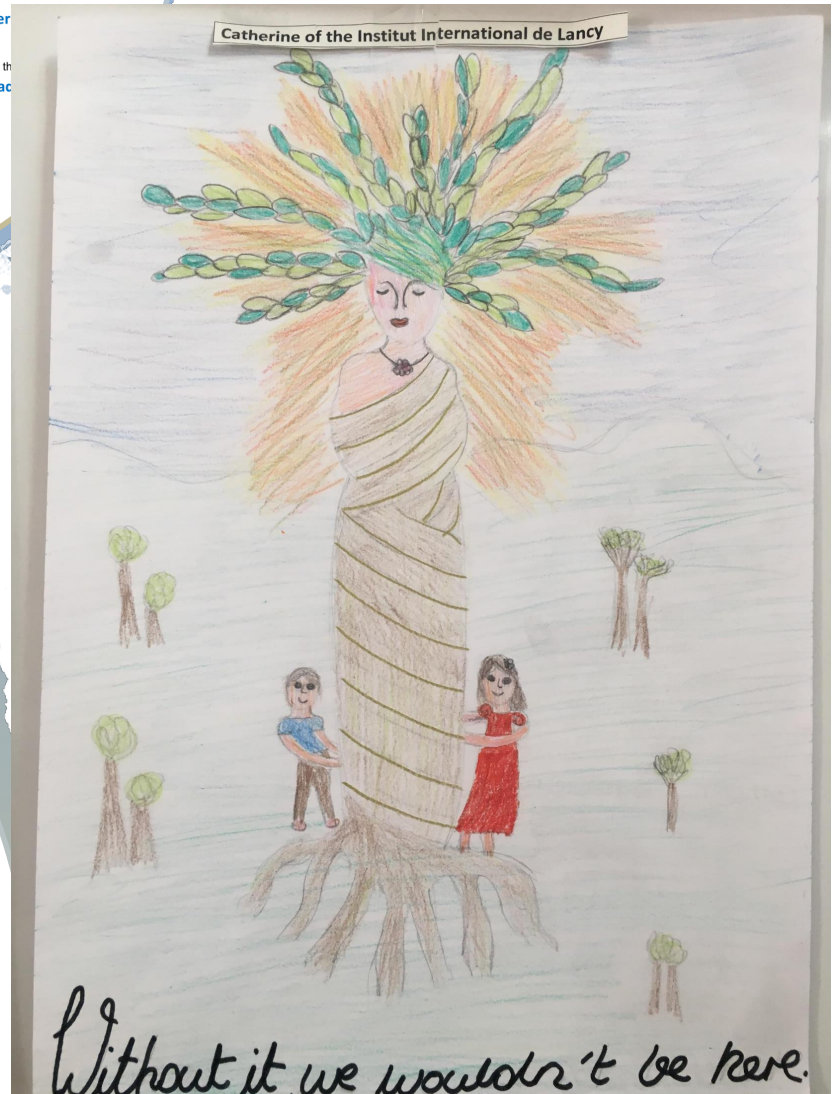
Dear future Charlotte,

"Right now I am living in a pretty healthy planet. We still have plenty of fresh air and clean water although our water is becoming more and more polluted every day. We don't have to live with oxygen tanks or extremely filtered water. I wonder if that's the same for you? I fear for my future."

"I fear for the lives of the children being born in your time whenever that might be. I wonder if you live on Mars now and our beloved earth is completely deserted with only a couple of scientists poking about the ruins of our long lost home."

"We live because of our forests. Why can't we keep them alive?"

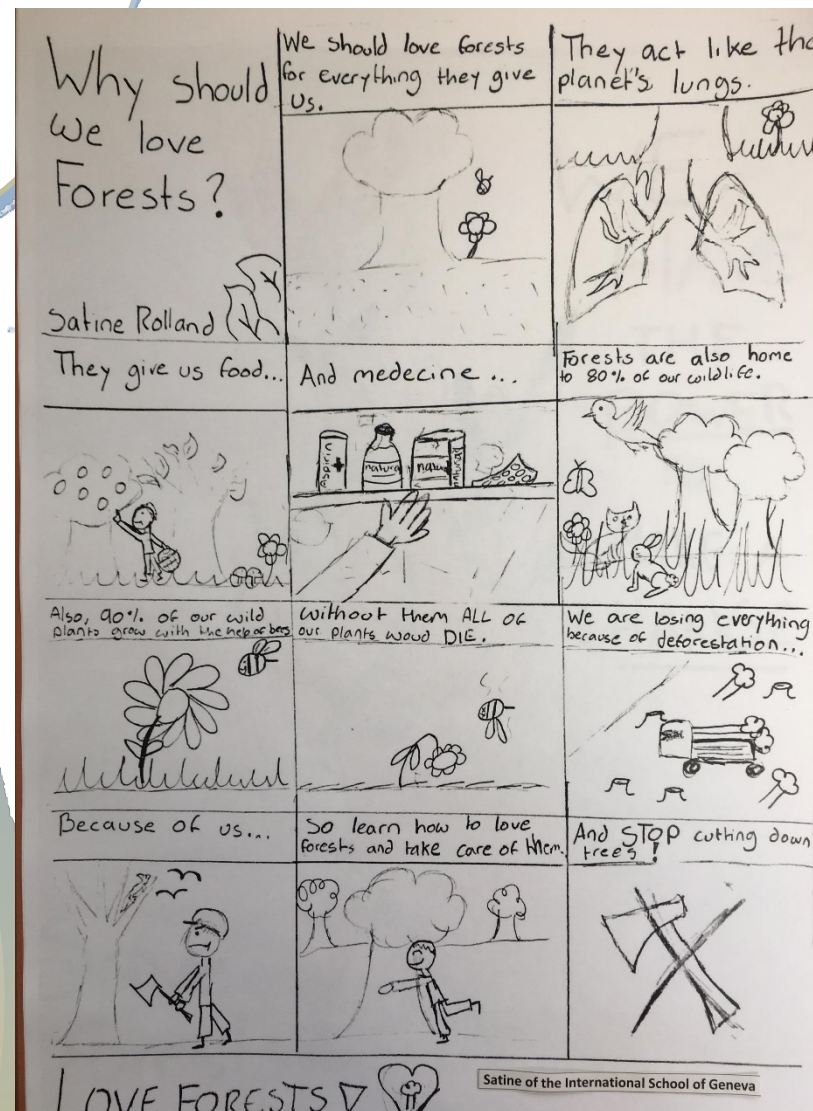
Yours truly, past Charlotte



Forests

Karla of the International School of Geneva

- "The world has to learn how to love forests, how to take care of them because without them we can't live. We depend on forests and they depend on us."
- "There are lots of reasons for deforestation, but most of them are to feed human 'needs'."
- "My contribution to reducing climate change is to cycle to school most days. When I am old enough to drive a car I will choose to use my bicycle or public transport."



Life on land, save the trees

Ibrahim of the International School of Geneva

Life on land, save the trees (a rap)

Ibrahim Babayev

Life,

Life on land, Life on land

Life on land is the number 15 goal in the SDG SDG SDG.

Walking through the woods looking up and down

looking up and down, lookin around

me can't see the forest cause of the trees.

I'm a giant tree

as you can see,

But all the other trees are bigger than me,

When I'm all grown up

then I'm gonna be, gonna be,

I'll be bigger than the giant sequoia tree

Life,

Life on land, Life on land

Life on land is the number 15 goal in the SDG SDG SDG.

Can't see no other trees

No other trees around me

What happened to

My whole family?

If there nothing you can do

Pretty soon

'Forest' might be just be a word to kids like you.



Thank You!

