



Digital Press Conference

## Fortum AGM: Transition Myth Meets Fossil Reality

### Invitation to Digital Press Conference on April 22nd

Berlin, Helsinki | April 15, 2020

While Finland is striving to be the first European country to become carbon-neutral, the Finnish state-owned energy company Fortum is **harming this course with its fossil activities abroad**. Due to the fact that several other countries, such as Sweden, Norway and Germany, are either invested or involved in Fortum's activities, this is a topic of European significance. **One day before Fortum's annual general meeting**, the environmental NGO Urgewald will be holding a digital press conference to **share findings on the energy company's involvement in fossil fuel extraction**.

In a recent paper [1], Urgewald has highlighted Fortum's current involvement in fossil fuel projects. While Fortum is publicly positioning itself as a company striving for a sustainable future with a focus on clean energy, Urgewald's findings paint a very different picture.

**Experts from Germany, the Netherlands and Russia** representing various non-governmental organizations will discuss the findings and share insights on topics like the **Energy Charter Treaty** and the connected **compensations claim threat**, the new coal power plant **Datteln IV**, the **gas infrastructure expansion** and the **coal supply chain**.

A **media briefing** with more detailed information will be sent out directly after the press conference.

**When:** Wednesday, April 22nd, 10am CET, 11am EEST

**How to attend:** Join in via Zoom - <https://zoom.us/j/96870713766>

#### Speakers:



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Coalition Coordinator  
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**Vladimir Sliviyak**  
Energy Campaigner  
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**Notes:**

[1] Urgewald, Fortum for Future?, February 2020,  
[https://urgewald.org/sites/default/files/Briefing\\_Fortum\\_1.pdf](https://urgewald.org/sites/default/files/Briefing_Fortum_1.pdf)

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