

Joint Statement

of the Fukushima Collaborative Clinic (Fukushima/Japan) and the International Foundation ethecon (Düsseldorf, Germany) on 25th July 2018 on the occasion of their meeting in Japan.

The owners of TEPCO and the Japanese government are liable for compensation!

Those who are responsible must be punished!

Abandoning nuclear energy in Japan and all over the world!

Today - seven years after humanity's disaster in Fukushima and six years after the handing over of the International ethecon Black Planet Award of 2011 framed by a powerful demonstration of millions in Tokyo - we have to see that the situation is unvaryingly a disaster and a threat.

Suppliers, waste removers, producers and operators of nuclear power stations in co-operation with politics and bureaucracy are still denying the deadly consequences of nuclear energy and are carrying on with their business, in spite of an unsuitable technology. This corrupt and criminal quagmire is called "the nuclear village" in Japan. Even today, the consequences of the greatest nuclear accident are being played down by denial, cover-up and structural violence. They endanger the Japanese people by raised limiting values, by refusal of effective removal of risks of radiation, by refusal of appropriate healthcare and by pressing people to return to contaminated regions. Although in the mean-time more than 200 children have fallen ill with thyroid cancer, the Japanese government and the prefecture administration of Fukushima are going to stop the examinations by ultrasound, which are, however, needed to recognize cancer.

At the same time, the discharge into the Pacific, the emissions in the atmosphere and the exportation of contaminated goods and food affect the whole world. On the occasion of the Olympic Summer Games in 2020, the Japanese and the international public are lead to believe in a normality that does not exist. Millions of visitors, sportsmen and sportswomen will directly be endangered by this illusion.

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Fukushima Collaborative Clinic and ethecon Foundation Ethics and Economy express their compassion towards the suffering Japanese population. The two organizations show their solidarity with the victims and all persons affected and with all protesting persons and institutions. Fukushima Collaborative Clinic and ethecon Foundation Ethics and Economy reaffirm their demands which were already published at the handing over of the Black Planet Award in 2011:

- Immediate realization of all measures to prevent more damage!
- Liability for all direct and indirect consequential damages!
- Just compensations for all victims and persons affected as well as their surviving dependants!
- Obligation for TEPCO and their owners (shareholders) to exercise their responsibility by means of their capital for all damages and compensations!
- Punishment of all responsible managers and shareholders!
- No more nuclear accidents like Tschernobyl and Fukushima! No more bombs on our cities like Hiroshima and Nagasaki!
- Abandon nuclear energy in Japan and worldwide, immediately!

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