PRESS RELEASE

“ON THE ROAD TO COP27”

The youth of Côte d’Ivoire raises the alarm for Climate Justice a few months before COP27 in Egypt.

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While the African Climate Week is taking place in Libreville, Gabon (29th August to 2nd September) and a few days before the United Nations General Assembly (13th to 19th September) in New York, JVE Côte d’Ivoire brings together many players from Civil Society and Academics to deal with the issue of Climate Justice.

COP27 in Egypt will take place from 6th to 18th November 2022 and will be an additional opportunity for social movements and NGOs committed to the climate issue to demand agenda on the crucial subject of the moment as loss and damage, the end of fossil energy, and community-oriented climate finance, support for adaptation to climate change by grassroots communities, the end of the promotion of false solutions at the level of the Climate Convention which continue to be proposed to solve the climate crisis.

For Mrs. Larissa YAPO, Executive Director of JVE Côte d’Ivoire “The time is short for hollow speech to solve climate crisis affecting Africa and Côte d’Ivoire. Working for Climate Justice is our only alternative”.

JVE Côte d’Ivoire is part of the Global Youth Movement for Climate Justice. It is launching an international plea for all French-speaking countries that will participate in the 77th General Assembly of United Nations to support the vote of an Advisory Opinion (AO) on Climate Justice at the International Court of Justice (ICJ).

“This Advisory Opinion which will be presented by the State of Vanuatu at the United Nations on the specific issue of climate Justice will help us to accelerate discussions on important elements of the Paris Agreement and on a very important subject for Africa which is loss and damage related to climate change” says Evrard KOFFI, the national coordinator of the university branch of JVE Côte d’Ivoire.

After this launch, JVE Côte d’Ivoire which collaborates with several other organizations such as Amnesty Côte d’Ivoire, JVE Senegal, and AIESEC Cocody as part of their mobilization for strong climate action before and after COP27 will embark on other activities: (Webinars, COP in my city, exchange visit, workshop and launch of a climate platform) before sending an Ivorian delegation of NGOs to Egypt. Other youth mobilizations will take place in Daloa and San Pedro and will mainly involve women.

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