Greenpeace is concerned with the issues of environment and peace. It exists in 40 countries and has been campaigning on environmental issues since 1971. It started with a small group of activists who believed that individuals could make a difference. They were motivated by the vision of a green and peaceful world.

Greenpeace members campaign globally to protect and preserve the natural environment and to promote international peace. They believe in seeking solutions to problems and seek changes through action.

In 2008, Greenpeace launched a global online campaign in a bid to save 945 whales from the harpoons of Japanese whalers in the Southern Ocean.

The Wilderness Society is an Australian community-based organisation. Its aim is to protect, promote and restore the wilderness and natural processes across Australia for the survival of the earth.

Since The Wilderness Society was formed in 1976, together with other conservation partners, it has achieved the secure protection of over eight million hectares of wilderness and other important areas such as the Kakadu area and the Daintree rainforest.


The environmental movement continues to grow and become even stronger in the twenty-first century. While many environmental organisations exist, they all have one main aim: to be a voice for the planet by reducing climate change, saving the ancient forests and protecting the earth’s land, oceans and sky for future generations.

Wilderness Society protesters march to prevent woodchipping in Tasmania in 2004.