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On 10th December 2018 we conducted the first march for a Declaration of Rights of Nature in honour of the 70th anniversary of the Human Rights Declaration. The march is part of a global signature campaign asking the UN to adopt a Declaration of Rights of Nature to complement the Human Rights Declaration. This would acknowledge Nature as a living system, deserving inherent rights and protection just like humans. In western law, Nature is treated as a commodity and has no standing in court. This oversight in the law is at the core of the depletion and destruction endured by Nature.

We marched down from the entrance of the UN to the Place des Nations on the narrow pavement forming one identity - thinking like one person.

At first when we were holding the rough signs we made from recycled cardboard, honouring this moment we felt disturbed as eyes were attracted on us like magnets, Switzerland, the cold and the rain is an everyday thing. It wasn't easy but the cause was worth every minute that we spent outside in the cold.

While we were marching, it occurred to us that our generation takes Human Rights for granted. We then thought that it's our turn now to fight for Rights of Nature just like the previous generations did for Human Rights and hopefully in a few years, respecting Nature will be just as normal as respecting humans. We also started thinking that today you can't buy a human being like during the time of slavery. That means that the fact that today we can buy and sell parts of nature will some day in history be considered something unthinkable.

This was only the 1st march for a Declaration of Rights of Nature. There will be more because it is the fight of our generation.

You can make a difference by joining our march next year and by signing the Global petition at: <http://care2.com/motherearth>

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... if we lived in peace and harmony with Nature, the leg would still be there and provide true stability and sustainability.” Dr. Michèle Perrin-Taillat

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The Youth have been participating in the OSI Geneva Forum 2018, <http://www.osi-genevaforum.org>

The Global signature campaign for a Declaration of Rights of Nature is a civil society movement: www.RightsOfMotherEarth.com

Both organizations work in support of the UN in Harmony with Nature Program and the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

<http://www.harmonynatureun.org>

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