Based on the model which will be presented in the plenary lecture, if this goal is persued by as many countries as possible, the aim of this symposium will have been reached.

At the same time an effective contribution to the understanding between differing countries will have been made. The air, water and earth belong to all peoples, and no nation has the right to plunder these resources at the cost of others.

The earth ist our only irreplaceable living space. We have inherited it from our forefathers, and we are responsible for passing it on to our offspring in a condition worth living in.

I hope this symposium will be a full success.

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