

# COP23: Eat Chocolate to Save the Planet!

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COP23: PLANT FOR THE PLANET; Credit: Nicolaas Neuhold

Following the currently on-going Climate Conference COP23 in Bonn, it can be hard to know what one can actually do to make a difference; the negotiations themselves are taking place behind closed doors, and the results coming out of these talks often have little resemblance to the urgency and tasks that the scientists and speakers at the conference present as the necessary steps forward to save the climate.

SOMEBODY DO SOMETHING! seems to be the cry for action, with few objecting, but even fewer heading the call.

A hands-on project, however, is the Call to Plant one trillion trees around the world. What sounds like an unachievably high target becomes more realistic when one hears that PLANT FOR THE PLANET has already succeeded in planting 15.2 Billion trees and counting in the years since its foundation only 10 years ago.

Yet it is the sweet way to finance this plan that is the prime example of how to get people involved: Buying chocolate! You can become a member or simply support the organisation (€1 will buy one tree! You could give a forest for Christmas!); however, for those with a sweet tooth you could buy chocolate from their website, and for every three bars sold, one tree will be planted.

At the COP23, volunteers from PLANT FOR THE PLANET are handing out 73,840 bars of chocolate to the participants of the conference to "give them the energy needed to save the planet".

For those wanting save the planet, you can buy your winters stock of chocolate at their online shop at [www.plant-for-the-planet.org](http://www.plant-for-the-planet.org) or follow their ambitious goal on Twitter at #trilliontrees.