



PRESS RELEASE

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Earth Overshoot Day lands today

Budapest citizens make pledges to #movethedate

Today is the day that we have finally exceeded the budget that we have been offered, six days earlier than last year. This date is known as [Earth Overshoot Day](#), and marks the transition from being in the green, to the red. From fossil fuels and fish stocks to timber and zinc, these finite resources are being used at an unsustainable rate. To fulfil our needs, we are currently using **three planets worth of resources each year**.

CEEweb for Biodiversity has once again partnered with the sustainability think-tank [Global Footprint Network](#) in the #**movethedate** campaign, aiming to shift Earth Overshoot Day further into the year. Through social media and personal interaction we have been encouraging people to do their bit, by making a simple pledge of how they will live more sustainably. We have collected a diverse range of pledges [1] such as to take a shower and not a bath, to start commuting on foot/take a bus or even to save money to purchase an electric car. Earth Overshoot Day in Hungary will be on September 22 2017.

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[1] [Pledges by Budapest citizens and visitors](#)

[2] CEEweb for Biodiversity is a network of non-governmental organisations working in 20 countries in Central and Eastern Europe set up in 1994. Its mission is the conservation of biodiversity through the promotion of sustainable development. We are organising the 7th [Green-Go Short Film Contest](#) which will showcase environmental issues and potential solutions, as well as the [EUGIC conference](#) on Urban Green Infrastructure in November.

[3] <http://www.overshootday.org/>

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