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To whom it may concern:

There can't be significant Earth summits without involving the man in the street, especially the young generation. What do they expect from a conference that should shape world policies for the next twenty years? How do they see the future? What message do they want to address to heads of States? Our intergovernmental dialogue must reach the general public and listen to the needs and dreams of Planet Earth citizens.

That's why I am very happy that 2 young professionals, Cédric Baecher and Nicolas Dutreix, have launched an initiative to contribute to the Rio+20 outreach. ScenaRio 2012, the name of their project, will collect material from 10 000 young citizens throughout the world and ask to a commission of a hundred personalities to summarize the findings and report to the conference.

As soon as I knew about the project, I was thrilled. I thought it was just the type of initiative we need to back the negotiation process with the thoughts and feelings of civil society. Moreover focusing on the youth is very appropriate for preparing a meeting devoted to the future. Therefore I am pleased to say that I support this initiative and express wishes it will be as successful as possible.



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