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COP 28: SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

The Worrying Reality for the Youth



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A historic turning point was reached at COP28 in Dubai, where world leaders recognized the pressing need to move away from fossil fuels. While this declaration should be cause for joy, my experience with previous climate conferences has cautioned me against being too optimistic. The promises made

like Norway's intention to reduce carbon emissions by 55% by 2030, are an example of the disconnect between words and actions; the country barely managed to reduce its emissions by 1% last year, and it is unlikely that it will accomplish its goal by 2030. The global stocktake process for climate change adaptation at COP28 does not go far enough in implementing the necessary actions. Although it acknowledges the need for lower greenhouse gas emissions, it does not call for a major decrease in the production of fossil fuels or