

Ethiopia's Green Legacy Initiative shortlisted for climate change award

Ethiopia's Green Legacy Initiative has been shortlisted for The Climate Coalition's Green Heart Hero Award. The initiative resulted in over four billion trees being planted in 2019.



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Ethiopia is nominated in the Overseas Inspiration category: “Between [May and October 2019], Ethiopia planted an almost unbelievable four billion trees. Enrolling volunteers from across the country, it embarked on one of the most ambitious tree-planting programs in history, with one day in July alone ending with 350 million trees planted. As part of the Green Legacy Initiative, the scheme is an example to the rest of the world of what is possible when a nation works together to help protect the things they love.”

Ethiopia is shortlisted alongside Sierra Leone's Ngoleagorbu Cocoa Farmers Union and Nigeria's Jos Green Centre E-Waste Solar Project. The nominations are submitted by the public.

Winners will be chosen by an independent panel of judges and announced on Monday, 9 March at a ceremony held at the Houses of Parliament in London, and hosted by Sky News presenter Kay Burley and BBC Presenter Evan Davis.

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