

Thousands take part in climate change protest in Amsterdam

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The Hague: Around 6,000 to 7,000 people demanded measures to protect the climate in a demonstration held in Amsterdam on Sunday, a day before the opening of the United Nations climate change conference in Paris.

The participants took part in a peaceful march from the Museumplein square through the city centre and back again.

The demonstration was organised by environmental organisations Greenpeace, Milieudefensie and development organisation Oxfam Novib, Xinhua news agency reported.

The demonstrators want people and businesses to use more wind and solar energy and less coal, oil and gas. In addition, they demand more to be done to combat deforestation and to get more money to help people directly affected by the consequences of climate change.

The demonstration on climate change in Amsterdam was one of the many in the world on Sunday.

People also took to the streets in London, Berlin, Tokyo, Seoul and Melbourne.

The UN climate change conference will conclude on December 11.

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