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Die Biosprit-Lüge [The Biofuel Myth]



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The clearing of rainforest in Indonesia to make way for palm oil plantations is one instance of where biofuels have had a negative impact on the environment and on tribes such as the Orang Rimba. Residing in the rainforest for centuries, the survival of these indigenous peoples is now threatened as the habitats they relied on for food disappear. Could the €10 billion of European Union subsidies for biofuels have contributed to food crises in non-European countries where the requisite crops are cultivated? How do politicians and players in the automobile industry view biofuels? And what kind of conflicts are emerging over crops such as Jatropha, which has begun to be cultivated more recently for use in biofuels in countries such as India? These are just some of the questions raised in this documentary by Inge Altemeier, who began documenting the repercussions of European policy on biofuels in 2001. (Source: Official Film Website)

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