

Website Records, 2020

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the Earth Optimism Summit website as it existed on April 22, 28, and 30, 2020, as well as the tweets containing the hashtag #EarthOptimism between April 1 and May 20, 2020. These dates correspond with the Summit organized by the Smithsonian Conservation Commons which was held April 22-26, 2020. The Earth Optimism Summit is an annual gathering of a diverse group of conservation-minded professionals and citizens to discuss and share solutions about how to preserve biodiversity, protect natural resources, and address climate change. Already planned for similar dates in April as an in-person event at the Smithsonian Institution, the Summit was quickly transformed into a digital format due to the Covid-19 pandemic beginning in mid-March.

The website served as one of several streaming platforms for live video content which was then saved to the website for future viewing. The website also provides information about the current and past Summits as well as associated events around the world. On April 22 and 30, the website was captured using an automated crawler and on April 28, it was captured using manual crawling software. Due to technical issues, some videos are missing from this accession or do not load properly.

The Conservation Commons used the hashtag #EarthOptimism on the microblog Twitter to promote the Summit and also encouraged its use in association with posts, known as "tweets," related to the Summit and the issues it addressed. Tweets using this hashtag included staff, speakers, attendees, scientists, students, and the general public. The search results on this hashtag within Twitter were crawled twice on April 1, 2020, once using an automated crawler and once using a manual crawler. In addition, all tweets containing the hashtag that were dated between April 14 and May 20, 2020, were exported from Twitter in two formats.

Materials are in electronic format.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Biodiversity conservation
Climatic changes
Conservation of natural resources
Microblogs
Museums -- Public relations
Online social networks
Social media
Special events
Web sites

Types of Materials:

Electronic records Web sites

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Earth Optimism Summit (2020: Washington, DC) Smithsonian Conservation Commons

Preferred Titles:

Twitter

Container Listing

	Electronic Records
Electronic Records	Earth Optimism Summit website, automated crawl on April 22, 2020
Electronic Records	Earth Optimism Summit website, manual crawl on April 28, 2020
Electronic Records	Earth Optimism Summit website, automated crawl on April 30, 2020
Electronic Records	#EarthOptimism Twitter hashtag search results, automated crawl on April 1, 2020
Electronic Records	#EarthOptimism Twitter hashtag search results, manual crawl on April 1, 2020
Electronic Records	Tweets containing #EarthOptimism hashtag, April 14-May 20, 2020, exported as .csv file
Electronic Records	Tweets containing #EarthOptimism hashtag, April 14-May 20, 2020, exported as .xslx file