Tensions mount over climate deal

Week 2 of the conference, and pressures are mounting over the myriad details of a potential climate deal, and an agreement to shield and compensate climate vulnerable countries from the fallout of global warming.

Day 8 of COP marked a watershed moment, as the UN published a text outlining funding arrangements for addressing loss and damage for countries hit by natural disasters. The plan, which aims to have a decision no later than 2024, may include a fund that would allow parties to launch a process for compensation.

The same day, the G8 announced a plan called "Global Shield" which aims to rapidly mobilise pre-arranged insurance and disaster protection finance after events such as floods, droughts and hurricanes. The plan, backed by $175 million in funding from Germany, and $41 million from other donors, is based on insurance payments, as opposed to grants, raising fears that insurance premiums could add to the spiralling costs of already cash-strapped governments. Other climate activists fear that wealthier G7 countries are pushing the plan as a substitute for a loss and damage fund.

Adding to tensions is anxiety among negotiators about resolving the byzantine details of a climate deal in time for the summit's scheduled close on Friday. Stay tuned for how the week's events unfold!
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- **CLIMATE FACILITY - IDFC**
  At the IDFC Pavilion, Blue Zone
  FEATURING:

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  Senior Director, Head of Treasury & Financial Institutions at Africa Finance Corporation

16:00 – 17:00 | **Global Energy Crisis and Security: Opportunities to Accelerate African Single Electricity Market (AfSEM) and Continental Power System Masterplan (CMP)**
  At the Africa Pavilion, Blue Zone
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