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Totalitarianism against Climate Change

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Our generation faces the challenge of reducing global greenhouse emissions to zero over the next thirty years. This radical change will require radical measures. Mingus ten Cate believes that there is only one solution to our climate problem: total mobilisation to rapidly reduce global emissions.

Mingus ten Cate's *Totalitarianism against Climate Change* fast forwards to the future. He shows us a new society and a new politics in which the climate goals have been successfully achieved. The political movement responsible for the climate mobilisation has established a totalitarian regime, in which environmental ideologies are paramount.

The old Dutch parliament building, the Binnenhof, result of continuous changes in architecture and political programmes since the 13th century, reflects above all the lack of will among previous democratic governments to implement fundamental changes. One of the first things the new regime did was to demolish and rebuild the Binnenhof, symbolising the start of a new age, where climate is the most important priority.

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