



**Future Focus:** Radio New Zealand's John Campbell in conversation with five intermediate school pupils to discuss their expectations for a civil society in 2030: Luc Taillon, Ishannita Chaudhuri, Louis Rozas, Mia Stewart, and Kenya Santamaria.

### **Highlights from the conversation**

#### **Luc Taillon:**

'I do find some of the news depressing but I am also interested and I want to know what is going on in the world.'

'I think we need the views of everybody and what they want to change and what's happening.'

'We need to get the world to stop cutting down trees.'

#### **Ishannita Chaudhuri:**

'I think we need to make different ways of having energy and electricity, like wind and water and not much fossil fuels, and take more care of the environment.'

'Think about what you are doing before you do something.'

'The environment ... if I become a politician I can help that.'

#### **Louis Rozas:**

'Someone needs to step up and say we have a problem and we need to fix it. And if someone does step up then other people will step up and eventually it will be a unified world.'

'I see myself participating because that is how a democratic society works, and I also see myself being informed. And I would also like to bring about change for a better society.'

'Take better care of animals.'

#### **Mia Stewart:**

'I think they should have a day when everyone cleans up and you're not allowed to drive cars, you can only use public transport.'

'I think we need to take care of the poor and homeless people instead of just rich people, because they don't have a voice.'

'Be more open-minded about different people, not everyone is the same and that maybe if you see a bit of rubbish you should pick it up and try and help the world.'

#### **Kenya Santamaria:**

'There are so many species that are becoming endangered. If we continue to hunt them or poach them, more species would become endangered until we have none left.'

'I see myself as a wildlife photographer of endangered species to promote awareness that they are becoming endangered, and to convince people to actually do something about it instead of just letting it happen.'

'We need to shape the world so that it is more recent and with more current systems so this generation can understand it.'