

A More Regenerative, Interactive Commons

A play-full hour, together.

A KERNEL Conversation

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In these 50 minutes, we hope you 1) have fun and 2) make a friend.

And thereby, explore a regenerative, interactive commons.

A commons asks for your trust, reciprocity, and participation.

Trust

Yourself & Others To Give & Receive Well

What is trust? Would a world without trust be richer or poorer?

How do our rituals, customs, and traditions support trust? How might they bring us together, anew, in the digital age? Gifts must be given well and received with care. We must be honest about our needs.



Who do you trust and why?

In groups of 3-4, tell a story (not related to crypto) about moment where trust grew in your world.

(10-15 minutes)

We are each others environment.

Trust, not trust-less.

Trust is the common ground upon which a commons can be built.

Game theory has shown us the three things we need for the evolution of trust:



1. REPEAT INTERACTIONS

Trust keeps a relationship going, but you need the knowledge of possible future repeat interactions *before* trust can evolve.



2. POSSIBLE WIN-WINS

You must be playing a non-zero-sum game, a game where it's at least possible that *both* players can be better off — a win-win.



3. LOW MISCOMMUNICATION

If the level of miscommunication is *too* high, trust breaks down. But when there's a little bit of miscommunication, it pays to be *more* forgiving.

Of course, real-world trust is affected by much more than this. There's reputation, shared values, contracts, cultural markers, blah blah blah. And let's not forget...

...the biggest lesson. -



What are your favorite customs or rituals? What customs might you have noticed here in Boqota, so far?

These may be religious, secular, cultural, or otherwise.

Mutual aid is the basis for individual autonomy.

"Institutions are functional when they promote a delicate balance between what people can do for themselves and what tools at the service of anonymous institutions can do for them." - Tools for Conviviality

The complementary opposite of scarcity is not abundance, it is reciprocity.

We must search for tools that help us help each other.

A commons is a space which is established by custom.

We must consider the 'reciprocity-based' customs we might create in our new web3 contexts.



What is the best gift you've ever given? You've ever received?

To name the world as gift is to feel one's membership in the web of reciprocity.

The genuine giving consists in not cherishing any thought of anything going out of one's hands and being received by anybody else; that is to say, in the giving there must not be any thought of a giver or a receiver, and of an object going through this transaction.

Giving and receiving well are features of a healthy human, & upstream, a healthy ecosystem.

We hope you continue to feel connected.

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Thank you!

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