

# Civilization or Dystopia

Power tools for global emergency responders

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## 1 :: FOREWORDS

*Utopia* was Thomas More's social satire and parody of European societies of the mid-16<sup>th</sup> century. It was not a Vision of the perfect world of a potential future.

This handbook is for those of us who want to accomplish mission improbable, or die trying. The mission is creating a solution of the metacrisis maintaining our polycrisis, our ecocidal slide into a dystopian mass-extinction scenario. Yet, real solutions call for truly realistic analysis of the problem, causes, and all the contributing factors. Of course, our polycrisis is the whole of the complex ecological, cultural, political, and socioeconomic crises interacting, growing ever-larger and worse, faster. Hence, as Einstein suggested, this book is also about making things as simple as possible, but not too simple.

Yet, we also need a very big big picture view of the problem, requiring a non-utopian, nonfictional perspective. Now, clearly, most of us would probably like the best possible future—if not a Green Utopia or Heaven on Earth—something better than the present or worse. But, most 'utopian' thinking has been less effective than the book that inspired so much of it (since 1551). Yet, several more recent stories enable excellent mental prep work.

Samuel Butler's [\*Erewhon\*](#) and [\*Erewhon Revisited\*](#), Aldous Huxley's [\*Brave New World\*](#) and [\*Island\*](#), and Ernest Callenbach's [\*Ecotopia\*](#) series offer glimpses of a sane future and hint at the way to get there. True, none of them saved us from ourselves and our civilization, yet they inspired some of our best efforts over nearly 100 years. That may be because they focused on the human dimension of our polycrisis, exposing our mental metacrisis.

Of all the earlier books, *Ecotopia* may offer the most realistic vision of a sustainable culture and how it could evolve. It helped inspire this book on how to create a saner world. One of the most helpful works is [\*Ecotopia: A sustainable vision for a better future\*](#). For 2016, it was a brilliant, valiant effort. Sadly, it was either premature or too little too late, or simply too unrealistic or unpleasant. Whatever the reasons, our appetite for fantasies and the world's karmic momentum surpassed the imaginings of our greatest visionaries. Still, the possibility of a more ecotopian future inspires hope and motivation.

For example, [\*Callenbach\*](#) knew he was dying in 2012. So, in his 2014 edition of *Ecotopia*, he added an encouraging *Afterword* and *An Epistle to the Ecotopians*. That was Callenbach's farewell letter, a few sobering yet inspiring, mostly prophetic pages. Yet, who could have predicted that ever accelerating polar warming would bring us to the point of catastrophic meltdown so soon?

Thus, this resource archive exists to support and expedite realistic assessment and a global emergency response. Only that can minimize global disaster, excess suffering, and

premature extinction. Can using this little book really make a difference? Well, knowing the whole truth can enable real change for the better, making a lasting difference.

For example, we now see new record temperatures every year. Why? In 2019 average global sea-level rose by nearly 8 millimeters (mm), almost quadruple the previous year's rate. Scientists were also surprised to find that the release of all greenhouse gases (GHG) increased by 10 times the rate measured in 2010. That was far beyond earlier predictions. Yet, the global process keeps accelerating faster, more than doubling average yearly polar warming and meltdown. That accelerates increasing sea levels, super-storm energy, and flooding. Amazingly, in 2001 both the Pentagon and FEMA knew that nearly 70% of us live in or near coastal disaster zones, and we all depend on coastal-industrial/urban infrastructure. All that now needs to move ASAP.

Yes, so, consider a moderate estimate. Using a factor of 1.5 for annual increase of the average sea-level gives us an increase of 8 inches, over 20.5 centimeters (cm) by 2028. That much would be catastrophic for coastal and low-lying infrastructure (ports, nuclear power plants, cities, towns, homes, etc.), including fresh water supply systems. Some coastal areas—like Southern Florida, the US Gulf Coast, Bangladesh, Islands, etc.—already have higher than average sea-level, disastrous storms, floods, and intrusion of salt-water into aquifers, building foundations, etc. At the same time, at a seemingly slow rate, glaciers and polar ice could be gone by March, 2042, and many cities, towns, and farms will be out of fresh water. Not long after, coastal civilization could be under an average of 230 feet (70 meters) of sea-water. Inland, the effects of extreme heat, drought, super-fires, and crop failures would be catastrophic for the survivors.

Clearly, if the poles and ocean keep warming ever faster, increasing temperatures will cause more rapid loss of livable habitat, for all species. In other words, this emergency is the equivalent of total world war now, not later. So, our safest, sanest course of action is preparation and well-coordinated mass-action now. This archive is designed to foster and support our best way forward.

## 2 :: PROLOGUE

Ronald Reagan called the communist regimes an empire of evil, but ignored the evils of the global oil, energy, banking, and war industries. Will those evils ever end? Not as long as rampant greed, political insanity, and war seem either permanently pandemic or necessary for profit and success.

Jared Diamond was right about societies. They choose either to fail or succeed. We are choosing neo-ecotopia or dystopia every day, with each decision and purchase. This book is about how we can co-create a civilization worth sustaining, if we choose it.

Is a brighter, Greener future really possible? Not without enough of us attaining and sustaining enough understanding. Yes, that seems like an impossibility. Yet, relating our very real global crisis to J.R.R. Tolkien's [\*Lord of the Rings\*](#) saga can make understanding the problem, the potentials, and our options simpler and easier.

For example, despite nearly total disaster, Tolkien's epic world war fantasy has a bitter sweet yet happy ending. Tolkien left it at that. No description of restoration, recovery and

transition to a beautiful future, without evil and war, without murderous hate, corruption, pollution and ruin. Despite his disclaimers, Tolkien's story represents much of our world and its historic power struggles. The word "ring" and the symbolic value of magic [rings of power](#) suggest deep relativity. Those rings can be seen as relating to the principles revealed in [Miyamoto Musashi's Book of Five Rings](#).

Oddly, in realms of algebra and slang, "ring" also refers to systematic relationship or association, like a *spy ring*. Whatever the case, the "rings of power" and power struggles in Tolkien's "Middle Earth" clearly relate to systems of ideology, dominance, surveillance, exploitation and [our real-world conflicts](#) since long before Babylon. So, in our world of systems and groups, who is the evil Dark Lord, our modern Sauron?

Can we identify an evil One who controls the one ring that rules all others? No, but look to the ways, modes and symptoms of the Rings. The major powers of modern Ring Lords are:

- ideology, theology & anti-ethical zeitgeist
- common beliefs & popular assumptions
- nationalism, provincialism & militarism
- politics, propaganda, illusion & deception
- education, mass-confusion, subversion & specialization
- fear, xenophobia, coercion & corruption
- greed, money, usury, economics & kleptocracy

No single individual or national neoSauron rules from the tip of the pyramid, with an all-seeing eye. Our real-world hyper-Devil is the elite group of owners and controllers of the international banking cartel and the rulers of the global military-industrial-financial bureaucracy. They control, perpetuate and protect their global system of systems, and politicians never oppose or expose them.

Obviously, our neoSauron is a composite of all our worst traits, habits, ambitions, atrocities, vices, scams, and the toxic influence of the power elite running and ruining our world. However, this is not an essay on [Lord of the Rings](#). Sorting out all the iconic power players in our real-world story is less important than seeing how their systems work.

First, seeing the strategy and methods enables a potential victory. For example, like the rings of power in Tolkien's story, there are 2 classes of systems of social control and dominance.

**Class 1:** Sauron's master ring makes him visible, but its magic makes any other wearer invisible. The semi-hidden power of the central bankers' debt-based for-profit system hides their parasitic exploitation in plain sight. Likewise, despite his absolute negativity, all-consuming greed, and insane ambition, Sauron was able to rule the weak. With trickery, greed and fear, the first central bankers and their royal protectors created a potent system of systems—to rule and exploit under-class subjects, then the world. We can call it the Dark Side of money magic.

**Class 2:** National governments, political power blocks, and low-level banks are like Tolkien's lesser rings of power. They are not purely evil. Yet, the national-debt-for-

profit “money” system and military-industrial-financial subsystems turned governments and corporate institutions into subsystems. They support the global super-system. So, while most of us keep believing in, using, and feeding it, it automatically suppresses and limits the Lighter Side of money magic.

Again, this handbook is not about creating an impossible fantasy world. We need the benefits of our sciences, arts, crafts, and the best technologies. They enabled many positive changes and greater knowledge, but not more understanding. How to survive our worst mistakes takes more than data and technology. For example, while our average life-span is increasing, we see more prosperity for many millions once trapped in extreme poverty. Yet, the destructive impacts of consumerism and technocracy keep mounting, causing worse consequences, faster, globally. We need more wisdom.

Change for the better is as possible as it is necessary, but civilization plus blind consumerism are threatening life on Earth with premature extinction and hellish dystopia. Are we all busy solving the problem? No, not yet.

### **Real rings, ‘real’ world**

So far, our real “world of war story” seems endless and—like all civilizations and empires—it will end. How we end it is up to us. We can start with a vision of the brighter future we want. For that, we need to know what we really need.

Do we need more political insanity, division, fear, hate, chaotic violence, and atrocity? No, we need mass-commitment to a mission guided by compassionate wisdom, bioethical values, inspiration, faith and unfailing intent. To generate and sustain those essentials, we need enough knowledge, but we need compassionate wisdom and courage even more. Success will also take effective cooperation. That requires a shared paradigm, a commonly understood foundation of valid concepts, words, values, and beliefs.

So, we also need to end the Trumpi war on truth and sanity, and recover from the global InfoWar against cultural wellness. Of course, changing the world for the better requires a new kind of official alliance. Unlike the UN and current governments, a truly effective global alliance would enable transition to a saner, Greener civilization.

Really? Yes, for too many bad reasons, our national governments and the UN still fail to respond appropriately to our global survival crisis. Human population could exceed 9 billion in a single generation, if rescue civilization from us. Extreme destabilization—of climate, weather, societies, and economies—accelerates ever faster. Still, in spite of reality, governments do no appropriate planning and response. Will they prevent ecocide, or stop ecocidal industry and corruption-for-profit? No, and it seems that far too many voters, politicians, and CEOs want to prevent the only real solution: radical change for the good of all.

Why risk a worse future for 100% of us? The correct answer must involve all the causes of cultural illness.

A real cure requires eliminating or neutralizing causes of illness. Are we doing that? No, far from it. An increasingly huge majority of scientists and a rapidly growing number

of the world's youth are uselessly protesting government irresponsibility, despite global catastrophe:

- \* disastrous climate change
- \* increasing pollution (mass-poisoning)
- \* chronic-pandemic corruption
- \* accelerating mass-extinction
- \* increasing inequality, disparity & dysequity

Many sensible initiatives and programs were developed by and for the UN, also for multinational treaty organizations, nations, regions, states and cities. Yet, the responses remain inadequate and inappropriate to the true nature and scale of our complex survival crisis, the polycrisis. Most politicians talk and act as if they ignore reality or simply fail to care. Their anti-ethical inaction aggravates the symptoms, and the severity of civilization's destructive impact increases, exponentially.

We need effective collective response ASAP, but it remains nonexistent. Naturally, a unanimous response would be best, but currently seems unlikely. Why? Are civilized people inherently defective, suicidal?

Our cultural illness really is a symptom of mass-insanity, the metacrisis. Whatever we call it, a cure is possible. It can start with a global Declaration of Interdependence. That could enable a global alliance for effective action to prevent worst-case consequences. More inaction can only prevent a sustainable cure.

Yes, appropriate cooperation depends on agreement, based on a solid bioethical basis, a generally accepted standard of ethics and biological values. Hence, the two sides of the cause—cultural and psychosocial illness—must be cured first. To do it, we need to disinfect, upgrade, and immunize our sociocultural paradigm, the foundation of our beliefs, our families and communities, and our potentials.

So, we need an appropriate cultural hospital, an operating room, an expert team and appropriate medicine. Also, only an ecospheric organizational strategy can enable and support the cure. The hospital could be cyber-space and all our media. Truth and wisdom are the medicines we need for an ever-growing team of cultural healers.

## **Global War, ERs & ICUs**

To survive and thrive, we need a bioethical alliance of the millions of nonprofits, cooperatives, associations, community-owned businesses, NGOs, and local, regional, and national level institutions.

Most of all we need billions of people, ready, willing, and able to do whatever it takes. Working together, we can cure civilization, ending the global war against healthy prosperity for all. Does that seem unrealistic? In an interview, Warren Buffett, the most successful investor in modern history, revealed a potent truth:

“There's class warfare all right, but it's my class, the rich class, that's making war, and it's winning.”(Stein 2006)<sup>[2]</sup>

Twelve years later, on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Buffett said his class

had won their war (Kosik 2018).<sup>[7]</sup>

Was he wrong about that? No, but Buffett failed to admit that his class is the ruling-class. Nor did he explain their methods, how the hyper-rich, their big bankers and their kleptocratic enforcers won their war. Nor did Buffet reveal the only real alternative to kleptocratic dystopia.

Why not? The hyper-rich 0.000001% ( $\pm 8,100$  of us) and the puppet-like 1%ers maintain winning-class status with illusions, lies, ads, propaganda, subversion, lobbying (virtual bribery), corruption, manipulation, trickery, confusion, intimidation, surveillance, and the bewildering power of global scale. In other words, they divided, conquered, bamboozled and demoralized  $\pm 99.999999\%$  of us.

Remember, kleptocracy and its parasitic money game only keep working because the Big Winners made it seem like they have the only workable system possible, and because of our pervasive acceptance and use. Another reason is that over 90% of us consumers have no idea how supporting the system causes and increases every kind of illness, exponential debt-slavery, unnecessary taxation and ecocide for 'fun' and profit. Nor do most of us see how it fuels perpetual war, political chaos, increasing instability, poverty, and systemic corruption. So, it seems fair to ask if we really can defeat such a powerful group, and their system.

OK, recall that Tolkien's four little Hobbits and some bigger Good Guys came together in an alliance. It was not unlike the alliance of cultures in the Star Wars saga. For the sake of survival, they ended the War of The Rings. The Dark Lord lost his war of deadly darkness against the light of life, joy and love. The master Ring (Sauron's system) was destroyed by returning it to the hellish fire in which it was created.

Before diving more deeply into the depths, reconsider the similarities and differences of the two scenarios. The best thing about both is that the [One Ring](#) of evil Lord Sauron and our modern rulers' system is unsustainability. Anti-bioethical negativity doomed them, not us. In the case of the Dark Lord of Mordor, he invested most of his power into his magic ring. When it vanished in the fire of its making, so did Sauron and his power to control monstrous armies of servants. Sauron's destructive activities ended, along with his ability to return in full presence and power.

In our case, neutralizing the ruling system of socioeconomic power will produce a similar result. Think of finding the ruling Ring of Power as discovering the governing principles and rules of the system maintaining the hyper-rich and their global kleptocracy. Luckily, exorcising a black magic money system only takes an alternative. The system of systems, its dominance, and its destructive negativity all depend on rules, illusions and beliefs. Likewise, the powers of our dark lords are empowered only by belief, confusion and participation in the Winners Take All world game we can never win.

The black magic money-game subverts our power, using it against us. We can now neutralize that perverted power simply by playing a Win+Win game, with bioethical rules, for the good of all. Yes, remember, changing the rules creates a new game. When we publish and webcast a bioethical socioeconomic paradigm, starting and supporting a parallel, non-parasitic money system, the rule of ecocidal evil will evaporate, rapidly.

That may seem too simple to be true, but envision the future of an ethical ecospheric civilization and its affluent commonwealth. Instead of selling, buying, getting paid and poorer, as hyper-rich elitists get richer, we simply give and receive positive credit. After all, real money is actually credit, a measure of benefit, not debt. So, we can exchange value for like value, without profits or taxes or debts.

An ethical ASI-enhanced credit system can track our scores, our trust units, our tokens of gratitude and appreciation. Do you doubt that could work? Why? Those basics worked for many thousands of generations before money, banks, debts, taxes, bureaucrats and accountants. It also “worked” for the fictional Federation in the world of Star Trek (the first season). It still works in indigenous “Potlatch” cultures. There your wealth is your ability to enable and sustain high quality of life (QOL), abundance and flow, giving and sharing. With no fixed, pre-set prices, the truly free market of the ancient trade routes of Asia, the Middle-East and Africa—the Souk system—still works today.

So, we should always bear in mind that the Dark Side of the money game—including the virtual quadrillions of debt-dollars (the Shadow Economy of unregulated derivatives) can only continue as long as a vast majority of us support it. How do we do it? We support it with our belief and misplaced trust—and our purchases, debts, and payments—while ignoring or forgetting our positive credit game, not-for-profit interaction (culture).

Now, the elements of the pyramid of dark power consist of a toxic trinity:

1. exponential national debt
2. exploitive taxation
3. normalized political corruption

Initiating, supporting and sustaining our Win+Win alternative will disempower and limit the Dark Side and its kleptocratic system of financial warfare.

Like a reverse mirror-image of the evil (ecocidal) system of systems, ecospheric civilization will sustain its cultural wellness with life-affirming values, ethics, and rules. Unsubverting all the magical rings of Middle Earth enabled a new beginning. Our new system will do the same. Counteracting the negative powers and effects of anti-ethical systems will enable real recovery. Sustainable success will ensure a healthy, lively, and very prosperous global commonwealth.

If this prologue seems too optimistic, overly harsh or dualistic, the documentaries [State of Mind](#), [When Banana Ruled](#) and [Drugs](#) reveal the awful truth. [The Price of Fairness](#), [Ethos](#), [Inside Job](#), [Superpower](#), [War on Whistleblowers](#), [Fahrenheit 11/9](#), [Black Code](#), [Requiem for the American Dream](#), [Shadowring](#) and the documentaries on modern reality by [Adam Curtis](#) provide more evidence. [Broadside](#) shows the early history of corporate piracy and class-war. The [Ocean Warriors](#) series shows the aftermath and futile attempts to solve the problem revealed in [Seaspiracy](#) and [The End of the Line](#). They all expose the insanity and corruption that make a neo-ecotopian alliance a vital necessity.

-The next chapter offers a fictional vision of a future that may be possible.

### 3 :: ECOTOPIA NOW



## A Day in the Life

by Paulina Wildman Xi-Xin, for Ecospheric News & Views Network, transcript

October 21, 2048, from SkyArk 1, the “Oasis”

Hello again, and welcome to one of the most beautiful locations in the sky, on one of the most festive days in world history. Just 5 hours ago we left the newest jewel of the ocean, SeaArk 700, Hua-dao City. If you were watching the vid, you know the views from the sky-shuttle were almost as gorgeous as those we see from here, aboard the Oasis, SkyArk 1.

The atmosphere is electric with joy. The spectacular view—from 5 KM above the tropical Atlantic, cruising at 260 KPH toward Brazil’s huge Bahia Amazona—is only part of the cause.

The views, venues, and amenities within this very first SkyArk are more amazing and charming than ever. Also, as everyone knows, the lucky 5000 residents and guests on-board are enjoying this special day’s festivities in honor of the life-time achievements and 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of my dear friend Michael Montana, the inventor and lead designer of the fleet.

Michael seems as celebratory as the other passengers and crew. He also seems as lively today as he was 30 years ago. That encouraging fact may be part of the cause for so much of the day’s jubilation. Yet, the completion and launch of SkyArk 99 and SeaArk 700 provide the other major causes for this global celebration. Be sure to enjoy the views of the fleet rejoining, later tonight, in the moonlight over Amazonia.

As you know, this webcast will soon include an interview, before the evening’s feasting, concerts, and ongoing celebration. As you can see, the views of and from Michael’s private greenhouse patio on Deck 9 (near the equator of the ship) are lovelier than ever. Now, the interview will soon begin, after Michael pours us some of his elixirs.

**PWX:** Happy Birthday Michael! It’s good to be with you again, seeing you so obviously well and cheerful.

**MM:** Thanks Paulina and cheers! (glasses touch) Yes, this is a very enjoyable birthday, and it’s good to be with you again. I do feel well, happy and grateful, for everything that got us all here. I just wish your grandfather could be with us. He would be happy and very proud of you.

**PWX:** Thanks, and yes, it would be wonderful if Paul could be here today. I know he would enjoy it as much as we do. Michael, for our viewers and fellow ecotopians on land, sea and aboard other SkyArks, let me formally congratulate you on your 100<sup>th</sup> birthday and so many amazing accomplishments. Now, instead of me going first, would you like to start the interview?

**MM:** Thanks Paulina, yes. How do you like the elixir?

**PWX:** (laughs & smiles) I love it! It’s amazingly delicious, Michael. I want the recipe! What do you call it?

**MM:** I call this blend Green Goddess, batch 124. Are you feeling it?

**PWX:** Yes, I feel more relaxed, calm, very alert and—now—just a bit more euphoric. It's wonderful, Michael! But I wonder—many of us know that you've been making tonic brews and elixirs for decades—but when did you start this one?

**MM:** Ah...good question Paulina. (pause) Green Goddess #1 was born in 2014, in the Crestone area of Colorado's Rocky Mountains. Many of my neighbors and friends were growing wonderful cannabis, herbs, flowers, berries, and vegetables. Some also wanted a way to enjoy the adaptogenic benefits of cannabis without smoking and being stoned for hours. But you remind me Paulina, my R&D of herbalism and natural mindbody medical science began 79 years ago. A bit later, in the early 1970s, I realized that the best, strongest, most durable airship would be big enough for a huge greenhouse, hangar deck, amphibious aero-shuttles and a semi-tropical resort community, like this one.

**PWX:** Wow! That seems so incredible! It reminds me, Michael, it's been nearly 20 years since your last series of interviews and presentations. So, for those of you yet to start school, or missed the archived vids, I should mention some other achievements that did so much to make this world what it is. Let me try a concise recap.

Michael, in the '70s you started developing your pioneering approach to neo-primitive ecotecture, sustainable community planning & design, whole-systems analysis, game theory, hyper-plasma physics, meta-cosmology and Green technology.

Through the 1980s and beyond, that work led to cryptography R&D, logic ecotecture, number theory & meta-mathematics, game development, jewelry manufacturing, fine art serigraphy, writing, publishing, more ecotectural R&D and work on our global credit system and our Gifting Way.

Your first serious writing project, *On the Way*, led to your first edition of *Awakening 101*. You also kept developing your musical talent. Luckily, your R&D of logic systems, cryptography, communication technology and ASI-enabled creation of the Hypernet, ultra-secure devices, credit exchanges, power systems and vehicles.

As everybody over the age of 2 or 3 knows, your parallel world series and training game, *Ardama: The Realm of Eala*, changed the careers and lives of billions of people of all ages. Indeed, it changed the world, making ecotopia and our ark fleets possible.

Michael also took mathematics, physics, and the social sciences to the next level. Prolific work in ecotecture, design science, and next-gen technologies helped us co-create Civilization's phase 3. Now, after a century, Michael, you remain as modest, encouraging and inspiring as ever. Yet, nobody before you was of such great benefit to humanity. So, Michael, what do you see as your most important achievement?

**MM:** (smiling, chuckling) Me — I mean surviving my childhood, my mistakes, setbacks, sidetracks, and tragedies — without giving up on my devotion to personal development and the mission. That made everything else possible. For instance, proving that mind, matter, and nature are expressions of enabling universal principles took me 75 years. Yet, all my successes depended on friends, family, mentors, allies, and co-creators. So, Paulina, thanks for all the reminders, etc.

**PWX:** De nada, Michael, to say the least! Now, please, tell us a bit more of what you found essential for so much wellness and happiness.

**MM:** OK. Great faith, curiosity, good humor, good food, great music and sex—and good memory. Funny though, Paulina, I deal with life by forgetting most of it, until I need to remember something.

Also, like Buddha, I enjoy each moment of presence for what it is. I live each day for enjoyment of life, family, friends, lovers, and my creative work. Being part of this lively community is very fulfilling, enjoyable, and refreshing. I also enjoy remembering how unlikely or impossible all of this seemed during my first seven decades. So, at 100, I consider all the realizations and enjoyments my favorite accomplishments.

**PWX:** Thanks, Michael. It must be wonderful just to be here, having seen so much positive change. Yet, what seem the most important changes?

**MM:** Mmmm...(a far away look) That is a really huge question, Paulina, but I'll do my best.

Paulina, separating what's personally and globally important is difficult. So, I rarely try. Also, I find it virtually impossible to sort out great breakthroughs and discoveries from the lesser known and underrated ones. They helped make everything else possible.

So, of our globally important turning points and discoveries, my personal favorite of the last 100 years are my realization of personal maturity at the same age as Kong Zi (AKA Confucius), at age 68. As I said before, all my mistakes and hardships were key to the many discoveries and successes. Most importantly, my study and practice of Buddhism saved my mind.

That also let me help heal the rift between science and religion, which led to ending the culture wars, resource wars, Trumpism and the other major insanities that retarded our cultural evolution. Albert Hoffman's work with LSD-25 and the eventual global deprohibition of entheogens for psychotherapy were essential.

The ecotectural works of Paolo Soleri and Malcolm Wells were and still are inspiring. Ernest Callanbach's novels, *Ecotopia* and *Ecotopia Emerging* inspired my *NeoEcotopian Manifesto*. The alliance's Constitution and *Ecotopia 2050* clearly fostered our return to the Gifting Way of culture.

Abandoning the anti-ethical concepts of wealth and success, and ending poverty were as important as any other change for the better. Paulina, if the *NeoEcotopian Manifesto* (now *Civilization or Dystopia*) had been as unrealistic as the Communist Manifesto, it seems unlikely we'd be here now.

For me, the discoveries, realizations, and works of Leonardo da Vinci, Nikola Tesla, R. Buckminster Fuller, Aldous Huxley, Donald Schon, E.F. Schumacher, James Carse, Michael Gelb, Jared Diamond, Dr. John Liu, MK Gandhi, Josei Toda, Daisaku Ikeda, Thomas Greco, Yanis Varoufakis, and Yuval Noah Harari were inspiring and very encouraging. My integrative work in maths, physics, ontology, axiology, bioethics, and meta-economics was possible only because of the amazing works of the great pioneers who preceded me and the many allies and teams who made all this possible.

Yet, the late John Workman deserves infinite gratitude for revealing the realities of money, credit, the gifting way and the possibility of creating a sustainably stable cultural economy. If not for John I would never have taken on the mission to create the digital

implementation of the not-for-profit monetary credit ecosystem. That enabled everything else since 1986.

Chuck Moore and Ted Nelson were my main IT mentors, deserving much of the credit for the ultra-efficient Hypernet ecosystem we now take for granted. Of course, I may not have succeeded in time without the team at “Anthropic AI” and “Claude” (among other transitional SI systems). Being able to fast-track integrated development was essential for success and viral global adoption. ASI-enhanced automation and the rise of neo-primitive culture was essential. Both enabled our bioethical civilization. Still, Paulina, your grand-father’s pioneering work on evolutionary education, CRAFT, and de-specialized re-localization were central to global alliance building. That helped make our work on *Ecotopia 2050* as influential as it was.

Oh—I think we can all agree that ending the war against cannabis, natural medicines, and sex, and the end of the illness industry, were huge changes for the better. Ah, naturally, the ever-accelerating rising of sea-levels helped end the exploitive banking cartel, obsolete government, and mass-corruption for profit. It also ended ecocidal consumerism. The catastrophe shook people awake enough to also end the thoroughly corrupt, ecocidal seafood industry.

That reminds me, it still seems hard for many young people to imagine a world where most people were struggling to survive, working horrible or meaningless jobs, just to pay for quantities of inferior things and foods, for no good reason.

**PWX:** Right, I think you’re 100% right about that—and your list of favorites. Thanks again Michael, but do one or two of them seem most essential to your successful promotion of the Ecospheric Alliance and habitat restoration, with our fleets of SkyArks and SeaArks?

**MM:** Not just 1 or 2 things, but Donald Schon’s work springs to mind. He realized we can change our ways for the better, even when all seems lost. Jared Diamond discovered the same truth, and most of the reasons we needed better choices and radical change. Michael Gelb discovered that we can learn to *Think Like Leonardo da Vinci*. Fuller and Carse showed us how to change the rules and results of our games, or replace them.

Fuller and Soleri deserve vast gratitude for enabling me to imagine and design things at the scale required for our global solution. Yet, thanks largely to Malcom Wells, I was able to sustain commitment to earthy, neo-primitive ecotecture, the best integration of natural and architectural environments.

Hmmm... If I had to choose the 2 main sources of inspiration that led most directly to the development of Neo-ecotopia, I guess it was Nikola Tesla and Ernest Callenbach.

Tesla pioneered the R&D of energy technologies that enable our world’s great energy-efficiency. Callenbach deserves huge credit for envisioning an ecotopian future, and much of what it took to create it. Paulina, without him, your grandfather and I may not have collaborated on the manifesto and constitution, nor our sequel to Callenbach’s books. So, maybe our novel (*Ecotopia 2050*) and the film series deserve the number 2 & 3 spots on the list. As you know, in 2024, our depiction of an achievable global ecotopia was a huge hit, probably a key enabler of progress.

Just a year later, the year of mega-firestorms, mega-hurricanes, swarms of class 5

tornados, devastating mega-floods, coastal nuke plant explosions & meltdowns, plus the tsunamis destroying so many cities, all caused nearly 2 billion horrific yet preventable deaths. That was clearly the final motivator. Paulina, I should also say that SkyArks and SeaArks might not be here without James Cameron, George Lucas, Steven Spielberg, Jeff Bezos, Elon Musk, and Sheik Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum's early support of the ark design & fleet construction community development program. They deserve deep appreciation and gratitude. Their teams of super-talented experts made this possible.

**PWX:** Wow... All those reminders are both sobering and worth remembering. Yet, Michael, if you and Paul hadn't shared your vision of an ecotopian future, avoiding post-disaster dystopia may have been impossible.

And, there were also those truly game-changing games, especially *Ardama*, the game still training and retraining many of us today. Now, back down to Earth, for our youngest viewers, Michael, what seems most important to you about the effects this warm-age and the changes it made possible?

**MM:** First, let's remember that James, Steven, George, Jeff, and their teams' wonderful work made *Ardama* and the *Ecotopia 2050* series visible. That jump-started the design, funding, promotion, and construction of the Ark Fleet construction communities.

Paulina, I trust most young folks already know what I think about the heat. To sum it up again: The rapid onset of Earth's warm-age turned most residents of coastal areas, most Americans, Europeans, Asians and Islanders into immigrants and refugees. Sadly, nearly a third of us then suffered too long and died. Yet, it helped end mass-scale ecocidal over-fishing and the insanity of kleptocratic politics, corrupt governments, and anti-bioethical debt-money games.

Then, more of us moved to high ground and to the ocean and sky. That changed our potentials and attitudes for the better. It also forced upgrade of the UN's policies, capabilities, and enforcement powers, in accord with the Neo-ecotopian Earth Charter's principles and protocols. More importantly, it motivated exponentially increasing acceptance and adoption of the *Ecospheric Declaration of Interdependence* and the Alliance's *Global Constitution*. The success of the MECA (Meta-political Ecospheric Cultural Alliance) enabled rapid development of the ECCU (Ecospheric Community Credit Union). All that helped end suppression of reliably ethical ASI-systems, enabling automation of mass-production, globally. It also ended previously inefficient and useless bureaucratic service work.

Naturally, that liberated our formerly repressed cultural potential. That freed us from work that machines and nanobots do better, much quicker, nonstop. That supported rapid adoption of our ecospheric credit system and global commonwealth, enabling stable cultural economies, stable currencies, mostly healthy families, and prosperity for all.

Remember, by 2028, the melting of glaciers & polar ice flooded coastal and low-elevation ecoregions, rapidly fostering ecotopian development elsewhere. That forced the end of militant autocracy and war. Retraining and employment of military personnel for salvage, recycling, construction, and habitat restoration helped enable development of our fleets of SeaArks, SkyArks, SkyArk hospital ships, and the SkyCleaner drone fleet.

The greening of all remaining cities and communities on land was hugely important, but greening money and credit enabled everything else. Thanks to all that, we now enjoy more than enough excellent shelter, clothing, foods, herbs, meds and fun, but no deficits or personal taxes.

Without the heat, most of us may have kept acting like kleptocracy, taxes, and the corrupt debt-for-profit money game was the only world game we could play.

**PWX:** What a great summary! Now, please tell us, Michael, what do you like most about this phase of ecospheric evolution, and how do you envision our near future?

**MM:** OK, great questions, Paulina. Let me first say that accepting and sustaining the neo-ecotopian paradigm was clearly our prime saving grace.

I'm infinitely happy about the enthusiastic migration of 4 billion of us to the ocean, seas and great lakes, and another half a million of us into the sky. That supported the many other successes of our bioethical civilization. With less than 2 billion of us on land, as long as we keep enjoying and sustaining all the benefits of natural wealth, wellness and bioethical work, our future will be beautiful, worth sustaining as long as possible. Of course, that's because we're still reversing global warming somewhat.

I really love enjoying the results of reforestation, restoration of all our habitats and fisheries, clean water, cleaner sky, new coastal land area and more stable weather. It delights me how rapidly oceanic habitats and marine species are recovering, with the help of our fleet of SeaArk cities. I also love seeing it all from our SkyArks!

I love seeing lands without fences, with huge herds of wild animals and predators. The reintroduction of tigers and neo-mastodons in subarctic regions was a great idea. The end of ecocidal AgriBiz and stupid farming was clearly a huge blessing. Getting out of her way and letting nature help us undo the damage of ecocidal civilization worked very well, and still does. I also love our delicious, mostly vegan foods.

BTW, Paulina, we definitely need to keep maintaining and using some of the Ark Fleet construction communities. Our birth-rate is low now but, with about 6 billion of us here, we'll need more SeaArks, SkyArks, Lunar and asteroid mining facilities, and orbital Arkships.

**PWX:** I agree with that, Michael. Will you also tell us about anything else you're especially grateful for, and what you think youngsters should aspire to, as we all co-create our future?

**MM:** Gladly, and thanks for those 2 additional questions. First, Paulina, nobody is more grateful that we chose to create an ethical ASI-enhanced culture worth sustaining. I'm also grateful that my pioneering collaborators, co-designers, engineers, scientists, fellow entrepreneurs and wise investors made it possible to move so many of us off the land.

As you know, our vision and reach were only possible by riding on the shoulders of giants who led the way. Yet, the courage, commitment, and brilliance of our many young leaders and co-creators were absolutely essential. Otherwise, industrial fishing and toxic fish farming would have finished killing the oceans beyond recovery.

Now, Paulina, all any of us ever need to aspire to is the best possible fulfillment of our greatest creative potentials. If we do that, the future will be more wonderful than

any of us can imagine, even now. So, kids, take my word for it, in 1948 our potential seemed nowhere near what it is, and I seemed like just another normal midwestern baby, born to a fairly normal middle-class family.

Our futures may be unknowable, yet great beyond knowing, until we get there. We keep proving that. So, sustain your faith, devotion, curiosity, and inspiration. Keep developing your talents and skills and you will be truly successful.

**PWX:** That is so typically inspiring! Thanks for everything Michael. Now, I see I need to let you get on with your partying. Thanks also for the amazing elixir, I feel ready for everything else now!

**MM:** Good! Thanks for being here Paulina, and for asking such great questions. I look forward to seeing you and Ian (Mr. Xi-Xin) later on. Enjoy the feast, the party and after-party.

**PWX:** I will, Michael, and the dancing! Aloha ~

**MM:** Me too! Hasta la vista Paulina ~ (Michael rises, gives me a kiss on the cheek and leaves)

So, I hope all my viewers enjoyed the interview with the innovator of so much of our wonderful civilization. Now, for those of you without eyesight, let me describe more of this beautiful community as I move on.

First, as darkness comes on, I see the soft lights of a fleet of house-boats off Amazonia's coast, and the towns beyond, on both sides of the huge bay. The view of the river and forest seem to go on forever under the haze-free sky. Auspiciously, the full moon is just rising, and stars are appearing as the Oasis quietly rises to 10 KM. For more view of the sky and stars, I'm taking the lift 2 levels up to the main greenhouse deck, with the first balcony level greenhouse 10 meters above. Walking into the space I feel the greater warmth and humidity, almost like walking into the rainforest. It smells like a semi-tropical garden of Eden.

Looking up and out through this immense space is awe inspiring and delightful. Yet, hearing and seeing monkeys and birds singing here and there, or making a raucous racket brings my gaze back to the celebration. At the sides of the greenhouse, its glass skin and living contents curve away beyond seeing. The view of Amazonia extends away far into the distance. I suffer mixed feelings, imagining the already massive Bahia Amazona becoming a large sea in 10 years or less.

Yet, I remember that slowing the global meltdown will lead to reversing it, slowly but surely. I join many other partiers at viewing stations between low planters and look down to the bay and the mighty river, slowly receding as we rise.

At 10 KM above, we see nearly 250 KM from the mouth of the bay. Beyond, the shining ribbon of river winds its way on through the forest. As I turn back in, I see the huge variety of gently illuminated plants, vines, trees, and flowers gracing the space. Narrow terraces step up toward the inner wall. Butterflies, bees, and birds add as much color and liveliness as their music. They accompany the musicians playing here and there around the deck.

For the party, many tables, chairs, serving stations and portable bars, line the central

avenue, making it a 3.1 KM long circular sidewalk café. No, this is not the only place decked out for celebrating. Remember, the large SkyArks have 10 decks for residential and commercial use, each with a mezzanine level, for nearly 1.19 million M<sup>2</sup> of floor area per deck. That equals nearly 30 kilometers of inhabited 2-level deck, equivalent to nearly 140 city blocks of space for 5,000 people, millions of plants, thousands of animals, thousands of aquatic creatures, and countless insects.

Not being hungry or too thirsty yet, I take the lift down to the Deck 1 promenade, where most of the partying goes on. The 100 glass lift-cars enable spectacular views of the gigantic interior of the ship. Looking up from the greenhouse (deck 11), the vast vault of the inner-dome—with its arcs and lacy webwork of supporting struts, rods & cables—disappears into its increasingly foggy darkness. Its perpetual light rain feeds the beautiful little waterfalls and cascades on the central pinnacle. In this lift I can also see the amphitheater below, filling up for the next concert.

The orchards and gardens surrounding the theater complex and meadows beyond are more beautiful than ever. As I descend, I also see the shore of the circular central lagoon, and the plant and flower covered inner pinnacle, rising out of the center.

It still amuses me to see goats and little milk cows grazing or resting in the grass, clover and wildflowers, floating serenely here in the sky. Beautiful pavilions grace the meadows, sheltering friends, lovers, diners, and game players. Hundreds of partiers stroll, talk and enjoy the ground level cafes and bars around the main concourse.

On some patios and balconies, musicians are playing for dancers. As the lift reaches ground-level I see a scattered crowd of celebrities, fans, friends, lovers, and extended family members here for the festivities. As the doors open, music and fragrances infuse the air.

Luckily, wood-fired grilling and baking are allowed for holidays. Despite the electrostatic air-cleaners and vents, I smell hints of barbeque mixed with a mélange of smoky aromas, perfumes of flowers, cannabis, and fragrances of essential oils.

As I stroll around the promenade toward the center of the Al Maktoum Oasis resort complex, I receive and return more than a few greetings and hugs. It still amazes me to see the richness and freshness of the culture developed here in the last 20 years. On my left the natural beauty and voluptuous ecotecture of the central park are exquisite in the soft lights of evening. On my right, the mall has an eclectic mix of shops, salons, fine restaurants, cafes, bars, teahouses, a clinic, all punctuated at intervals by gardens, patios, portals and lift stations. Looking up permits views of beautiful balconies, hanging gardens really, intermittently located all the way up to the Deck 10 level, more than 70 meters above me.

The whole environment is alive with a colorful variety of activities, artworks, costumes, people, plants, butterflies, birds and animals. When I can see the circular lagoon I sometimes see elegant stands of cannabis and bamboo groves. People are fishing from the shore, others swim, some enjoy themselves in canoes, skiffs and little rafts.

From the circular lagoon, the SkyArk's towering pinnacle rises up and out of sight, as amazing as ever. Yet, this year, I see many more orchids, ferns and birds nested into the very natural looking rock-like shell of the SkyArk's central power tower. It still amazes



me to think of this ship and its central power tower turning 2.3 MW of solar energy into more than 700 GW of clean power. All the SkyArk's electrical systems, controls, thrusters, and sky-shuttles can use all they need while the massive storage system is charging.

Approaching the main entrance of the resort, it's impossible not to be impressed by the amazingly beautiful blending of Arabic architectural esthetics and neo-primitive ecotecture. As I walk into the spacious patio in front of the hotel's elegant lobby, with my family and friends near the bar, I see HH Sheik Hamdan and his entourage. The music is fittingly neoArabic fusion. Michael, who took a shuttle-tube and lift, is joining the group from the lobby.

We'll soon be dining and celebrating with the Sheik, family, and friends. So, dear viewers and listeners, since the dinner party is private, I must sign off for a while. I wish you all an equally enjoyable remainder of Michael's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party. Aloha ~

**Note:** Yes, that flight of fiction may seem too unrealistic, optimistic, or pessimistic. Yes, Isla La Palma's volcano may not create [a mega-tsunami](#) by 2025 or even 2050. Yet, if we fail to reverse the meltdown process, and move cities and nuclear power plants away from the coasts, the destruction, damages, illnesses, and death toll could be much more devastating. The worst threat would be caused by not decommissioning and moving coastal nuclear reactors (and their fuel and waste). That could cause disasters worse than 150 Fukushima and Chernoble disasters combined. Following chapters offer potential solutions and options.

## 4 :: INTRODUCTION

This book was partly inspired by RB "Bucky" Fuller's 1969 classic *Utopia or Oblivion*. In it, Fuller predicted that, sooner or later, we would have a generally high quality of life (QOL) or an ecocidal dystopia. Part of my motivation was noticing that humanity has not decided to prevent worst-case global dystopian monstrosity and mass-extinction, caused by our mass-insanity and/or mass-stupidity and inaction.

So, at most, we now have about 10 years to do what should have started 60 years ago. However, we now have an extra 3.5 billion people and better technologies to get the job done quicker, if we still have time.

Of course, doing the job as well as possible requires an unusually well-orchestrated cooperative effort, globally. Hence, ignoring the Trumpi mammoth in the way would be terminally unrealistic. Yes, it's a global problem, but as the USA goes, so goes the world. Thus, this collection of power-tools deals with all facets of the problem as it presents the multi-dimensional elements of the solution.

For example, unless we start decommissioning up to 150 nuclear power plants now near coasts and rivers (subject to increasingly frequent, disastrous flooding), we may be doomed. Why? Not moving nuclear fuel rods and waste to somewhere safer, will turn them into a man-made doomsday system, probably sooner rather than later.

Why? Whatever we do, sea-level will keep rising, faster. So, if only 1/4 of the world's 450 nuke plants explode and meltdown, it will destroy the continental power grids. With

a third of our nuke plants flooded, technological and ecological catastrophe are assured. Imagine the world with no global power grid, and more than 100 nuclear disasters, each worse than Fukushima and Chernobyl combined. They would poison the ocean and rain, killing everything for hundreds of thousands of years.

Is that an acceptable risk? No, but can we afford the alternative? Yes, and we can solve our worst problems by preventing our worst possible future. We might succeed by co-creating the best possible future for all generations. That is the purpose and goal of this work and the reason for establishing an ecospheric alliance.

Trump, Trumpism, and fascist-corporate totalitarian power games are worse than a waste of time. Our window of opportunity for saving civilization from our cultural illness keeps closing faster by the day. Political insanity and insanely stupid waste of opportunity are preventing real progress to a real, sustainable solution.

We need to get real. Trumpi cultists and fascist dictator-lovers are all dystopians. It doesn't matter whether they're simply bamboozled dupes or deliberately determined to make the quality of life (QOL) worse. It doesn't matter that they are a minority of voters. Their discordant noise, nonsense, and hostile offenses attract outsized media coverage, distracting from public attention to our very real worst problems.

Clearly, a critical part of the work involves removing or replacing obsolete systems and obstructions that detract from focus on the aim, a civilization worth sustaining. Therefore, the prime directive and mission objectives proposed here are meant to turbo-charge effective cooperation capable of overcoming the dystopian opposition. Thus, this collection of meta-political power-tools, links, resources, and essentials is designed for realistic global emergency responders committed to the neo-ecotopian Vision.

What is it? The ecospheric, neo-ecotopian Vision enables a future worth creating and sustaining by creating the livable alternative to ecocidal dystopia.

Still, misunderstanding of the causes of dystopian cultural illness and increasingly ecocidal damage is a major part of the problem. Lack of a globally acceptable standard of biological values and lack of a well-defined standard of ethics perpetuates the problem. Correcting those deficiencies is non-optional—if we wish to avoid a dystopia worse than Hitler's doomed Nazi empire. So, it should be obvious that creating a generally acceptable bioethical paradigm is the only way to enable and support sustainable cooperation across borders and language barriers.

A neo-ecotopian foundation of functional principles and realistic policies will sustain a global alliance of NGOs, bioethical businesses, co-ops, and associations only if they are dedicated to ecological success. So, this handbook proposes new ways to sustain a new standard of ethical values and priorities. Failing at that, effective policy and cooperation will be impossible, and alliance members' success would be impossible or unsustainable. On the other hand, developing and documenting ethical policy for a global alliance of healthy communities and organizations will enable results unimaginable now.

How? Bioethical leadership can emulate the best ancient ways and the best practices sustaining the most successful modern cooperatives, communities, and corporations.

Rapidly growing membership will ensure the best results. Yet, these days, more than ever, that calls for an appropriate marketing strategy and PR campaign.

That starts now. Regardless of massive apathy, and despite the malignant enemies of sane humanity, the strategy and examples embedded in this handbook can enable and ensure effective action, real progress to ongoing success. A section on Council is included as an essential necessity, along with an inspiring declaration by the elders of the 'Iriquois' nations.

Gandhi's insights on how we can sustain a culture that sustains all generations are included for additional support of effective collaboration. Only such practical guidelines can sustain a healthy commonwealth. They also provide support for the essential PR and recruiting we need for the startup of an alliance of bioethical NGOs.

Successful stratagems can will expose and counteract the mass-insanity of ecocidal consumerism. Remedial tactics are presented or implied throughout the text. Yet, we also need new definitions and redefinition of essential principles, concepts and terms. For as long as most of us are subconsciously infected with subversive notions and beliefs about wealth, success, money, credit, value and ethics, we have little or no chance of preventing dystopian self-extinction.

Therefore, an abundance of supporting appendices, sources, and links are provided. For example: [Billionaires](#), [The Stock Market](#) (s.1, e.7 of the *Explained* series), [The Global Water Crisis](#), [What Lies Up-Stream](#), and [Owned: A tale of two Americas](#) are linked for your viewing and response.

Encouraging glimpses of our potential for rapid creation of a more sustainable future are provided in [Behave](#) and other videos linked in following chapters.

## 5 :: PARADIGM UPGRADES

In his song *A hard rain's a-gonna fall*, Bob Dylan laments that "the pellets of poison are flooding our waters".

Dylan meant the rain of lies and toxic propaganda polluting our psychosocial ocean of knowledge. For instance, racism is a symptom of multi-generational psychosocial indoctrination and malignant cultural corruption. For example, before war broke out in Bosnia and Serbia, many 'white' culturally 'Christian' folk started hating their 'white' Muslim neighbors and 'seeing' them as a different, inferior race.

Was that realistic? No, but why did it happen and seem to justify war, atrocious cruelty, and genocidal mass-murder?

Was it simply because of different religious teachings? No, nothing in either the Bible or Quran says that Christians and Muslims belong to different races. In fact, some observers even consider conflicts between the Jews, Christians, and Muslims to be caused as much or more by the similarities of their religions than by the differences.

Clearly, the cause is deficient education, disinformation, perverse beliefs, and the inadequate sociocultural paradigms of the warring groups and exploiters maintaining the competition, conflicting paradigms, hate, and fear. Multi-millennial mass-PTSD and

resentments over injustices in the ancient past surely play a part, yet other causes remain undefined, leaving important questions unanswered.

For example, exactly what is a paradigm, and how can they have so much power? Some of us have heard of the need for a global paradigm shift, but shifted from what to what, and how? A paradigm includes our mental dictionaries, maps, and models of our notional reality. Each of us maintains a unique version of the dominant sociocultural paradigm.

Paradigms are programmed into our young brains. They then largely determine what we can think, discuss, imagine, and do or not do. That prevents or limits our access to and maintenance of knowledge, wisdom, ethical integrity, liberty, harmony, and cooperation.

That perpetuates our most basic problem: Modern civilization's paradigm is deficient. Yet, so far, the Green paradigm has been sketchy, incomplete, thus uncertain, inconsistent, riddled with self-contradictions. That limits our progress to a happy ending and transition to a neo-ecotopian future.

How? A map is not the territory. Mental models are not the whole of reality. Abstractions are not totalities. Our knowledge is not all knowledge, and knowledge is not understanding, wisdom. So, the ancient religious and socio-political paradigms in conflict are now deficient, incomplete, and inappropriate for a survivable future.

For example, remember a talk with a friend that suddenly turned into an argument, because of one misunderstood word. So, your beliefs and definitions seemed the same, but were different enough to cause problems. If you ever had a conversation with someone with a different belief system, you know we need common definitions of terms for real communication. Sometimes even little differences cause fights, injuries, deaths, divorces, and dysfunctional families.

More serious misunderstandings aggravate our worst problems across cultures, generations, and centuries. Disagreements about reality, ethics and values are the most troubling of all. If we want a systemic change for the better, we all need the best possible understanding of reality and bioethics. That will take major repairs and upgrades of our paradigm, our psychosocial foundation of key concepts and terms.

For example, Appendix B is devoted to some ancient Greek words that could have helped us prevent the worst of our current problems. Including them in the core of our cultural paradigm would enable a more enjoyable future for all of us or, at the least, the least horrific future.

Clearly, to begin a bioethical civilization and prevent worse global disaster, we need to understand the fundamental principles, motivations and dynamics that enable cultural evolution and successful cooperation. That depends on understanding and using the most appropriate terms. To enable sustainably healthy communities and economies (and their greatest potentials), we also need new definitions of essential principles, concepts, and new terms.

Why? Whoever first called this the “post-truth” era made Dylan’s point a sound bite. Neal Postman called this both the post-literate era and the Age of Showbiz. Current events in the USA prove the point. Consumers of mainstream media content, recreational web surfers, QAnon dupes, and children suffer constant inundation by tsunamis of commercial and political disinformation, lies, propaganda and illusions.

In fact, consumer society depends on the mass-deception of wage-slaves, keeping them the Fed’s debt-slaves, who keep it and its ‘US’ debt-bucks afloat. Yet, the Bible says the truth can set us free. What truth would that be now? To end the confusion, illusion and misunderstandings that divert, enslave, disempower, and divide us, we need the paradigm upgrades listed below.

## Key Concepts & Definitions

**Activism:** At best, activists accomplish a mission of real benefit to one and all. At worst, they accomplish activities of little or no sustainable benefit or more harm than good.

Best-case kind activism achieves its results with adequate understanding of the challenge, the contributing factors, potentials, risks and threats. That enables planning with realistic objectives, appropriate strategy and effective methods for accomplishing the mission. Ineffective or harmful results are proportional to the lack of the elements required for successful cooperation and good results.

**American dream:** Waves of immigrants to the USA had a chance at the good life, liberty and justice for all. Advanced industrialization then reduced the need for more wage-slaves. Hostile ethnocentric chauvinism then increased. By the mid-1970s, the elite winning-class tired of high tax rates funding high quality infrastructure for all. ‘The American dream’ then became ever less attainable for under-class citizens and immigrants.

**Amorality:** The absence of morality, the lack or ignorance of morals and ethics, or contempt for moral principles and precepts. There is little difference between amoral, immoral, unethical and anti-ethical a.) behaviors (actions), b.) intentions, c.) systems, d.) corporations or c.) societies.

For example, the amorality of an ecocidal society fosters anti-ethical political immorality and government corruption. An amoral multinational corporation normally favors immoral and anti-ethical psychopaths for executive administrative positions.

The amorality of a money system can maintain the anti-ethical immorality of predatory monopolism or totalitarian militarist tyranny.

**Anarchy:** The words [anarchy](#) and anarchism refer to society or culture without an official system of government. For countless millennia, anarchic cultures thrived and enhanced our adaptive evolution.

Lying tyrants, would-be tyrants and cowardly parasites call anarchy a chaotic state of barbaric lawlessness. They do so because they want powerless victims of systematic abuse and exploitation, including wage-slavery and eternal debt-slavery.

The anarcho-syndicalists of the Spanish Pyrenees were actually communitarians who inspired the modern Mondragon cooperatives. They still provide a good example of communitarian anarchy. Many of Earth's most ancient cultures still practice ecocentric anarchy.

**Anthropocene:** The "age of humanity" actually began after the early agriculture and urban civilizations destroyed enough natural habitat to cause radical climate change, severe disruption of weather patterns and long-term droughts. It was characterized by increasing egoism, conflict, corruption and cycles of social decay. It ended with the beginning of the Petrocene era, when coal and oil fueled biocidal monopolism. See the definitions of "NeoMonopoly" and "Petrocene" (below).

**Apateocracy:** From the ancient Greek, rule or government by cheaters and trickery, fraud, corruption and systematic deception for the sake of unbridled exploitation. Trumpists turned apateocracy into undisguised kleptocracy, maintained by hyper-rich Banksters and their national-debt-for-profit currency game.

**APD:** Authoritarian personality disorder, a sociocultural illness afflicting chronic abusers or tyrants and their victims. See *Appendix E*, below

**Appreciation:** Appreciative awareness acknowledges the worth, value, merit or excellence of a thing, person or place. Appreciation is often related to gratitude or increasing value. Naturally, we appreciate goodness and whatever seems good. Originally, whatever was alive, evolutionary or life-enhancing, naturally good, was appreciated as infinitely, increasingly good, as long as it or its benefits lasted.

**Aristocracy:** The ancient Greek word literally meant rule or governance by the most excellent people. Sadly, the devolution of ordinary, unsaintly offspring of noble ancestors made the word increasingly inappropriate for most members of the world's aristocratic social class.

**Artificer:** A creator, one who is inventive, highly skilled, often in several fields of art, craft and/or in mechanical technical work; a bush mechanic or Bushie. The transition to sane civilization will require an ever-growing number of resourceful artificers, creative evolutionaries.

**Artificial Intelligence:** "AI" (the acronym) may as well refer to actual intelligence, not a nonexistent artificial version. AI is now a buzzword related to various kinds of "machine learning" processes. That compounds typical misunderstanding and confusion. Machines have no mentality or awareness, no consciousness or minds to learn with. A computerized expression or simulation of intelligence is not the real thing. Real intelligence is either a.) the degree and quality of a being's natural mental functionality or b.) emergent systemic intelligence arising from logic systems with creative capabilities that enable original expressions of mentality.

**Asset:** 1) Any object or thing considered of positive value or benefit can be called an asset. 2) Monetary socioeconomic systems typically relate assets to property subject to ownership. Believing in money enables believing in the financial value of things, goods or services.

In a capitalist society, a being, place or thing that has no monetary value or cannot be owned is not a capital asset. For example, when the institution of slavery was abolished, slaves lost their financial property value and, not being assets, were no longer important to unethical capitalists.

Likewise, when predatory capitalists discover some exploitable material in a place previously considered worthless or unimportant, they may acquire ownership. Then they extract the financially valuable material, making it and the place assets, only as long as profitable exploitation continues. For them, nothing else on or in the place (the Earth's biosphere) has any capital asset value or prime importance.

So, when the extraction and profit stop, predatory capitalists prefer to move on, without restoring the place to its original condition (which is impossible). Industrial exploitation and pollution of the waters and ocean is an atrociously horrific example of ecocidal capitalism.

**ASI:** Adaptive systemic intelligence is a new term for a.) the nature of ASI systems, b.) original expressions of the principle of mentality, and c.) results of the creative abilities of some simulated intelligence (SI) computer systems.

**Awareness:** Consciousness depends on awareness, the essence of sentient mentality. Without awareness there could be no sentient life, no knowledge of life or anything else. Appreciating value requires open, expansive awareness that supports realization, effective understanding of reality and qualities. Without conscious awareness, our notions of value can be delusional or illusory, deceptive.

**Axiology:** We can rightly consider real axiology the bioethical science of value and meta-ethics. It was intrinsic to ancient Greek philosophy, but the study and science of value existed long before Socrates, Gautama Buddha and Confucius.

The true depth and scale of modern sociopathy are exposed in most modern definitions of axiology. Yet, it is not a subdiscipline of ethics, it is the root of all branches of philosophy, except ontology, the study of being. Like ontology, axiology enables effective practice of all the sciences and fine arts.

Axiology enables real understanding, wise choices and effective action. However, since axiology and ethics are now commonly misunderstood, the best practice of axiological ethics can be called or bioethical or ecocentric or holistic axiology.

**Bamboozle:** To be bamboozled is to be cheated or tricked or deluded, usually by deception or illusion, devised or performed by a trickster or con-artist. The bamboozler may do the deception to commit fraud for money or for some other purpose, like winning an election or some other undeserved position of advantage.

Some bamboozlement is relatively accidental or socially systemic. Most advertising bamboozles people into believing that they should buy or acquire something, whether they really need it or not. Modern advertising for makers of extremely dangerous pharmaceutical drugs is a worst-case example of legal bamboozling.

**Being:** As a whole, being is the present moment of universal totality. A single being is a living organism or person. In general, being is existence or phenomena that embody

qualities, properties and potentials of life or universal nature. Being requires the presence of what is not absent.

**Benefit:** Real benefit is truly good, of real virtue and positive value. In any language including the concept, the root meanings of the word all refer to the principle of giving, blessing, favor and good, as in the way of nature and positive spirituality. For example, nature and spirit give life and blessings as basic expressions of original being and its generative principles.

Likewise, true generosity is giving a benefit, a favor or something really good, a result of natural goodness and a compassionate wish for the good of the recipient. Fake generosity is not a blessing, nor of benefit to the one who gives with false pretense, wanting personal advantage, regardless of the real good of the recipient. Fake benefit is toxic, not good for anyone.

**Biocentric:** An orientation, attitude, system, culture or activity that affirms or protects and/or enhances life expresses and supports biocentric principles. For example, a biocentric sociocultural paradigm enables laws, policies and activities that foster and support life-enhancing or life-sustaining organizations and ways of being.

**Biocide:** Killing life itself may not be possible, but some biocidal maniacs seem to be trying. For example, the biocidal political regime of Trump and his Trumpy supporters have enabled ending protections necessary for nontoxic water, air, soil and safe nuclear power plants in flood zones and near US coasts. So, biocidal mania is a form of psychopathic mental illness. See “Ecocide” below.

**Bioethics:** The goodness and wellness of all beings and habitats depend on the principles and modes of life. Ethics without bioethical principles is like biology without ecology.

Over the last several centuries, Western philosophy lost its way and ethics lost its connection to natural reality. There are no branches of ethics that can be realistic without deep bioethical roots. Bioethical principles sustain the taproot of biocentric axiology and holistic phenomenology. Ecocentric ethics without bioethical values is an absurd impossibility.

**Biospheric consciousness:** For communities, nations and civilizations, sustaining a high quality of life (QOL) for a long time requires biospheric consciousness. Many primitive civilizations fostered and sustained awareness of and respect for the nature, quality and condition of their local and regional habitat. Ancient civilizations and cultures with deficient biospheric consciousness suffered decline or collapse in exact proportion to their deficient understanding. We now know that our habitat is the planet’s whole biosphere, the few miles of Earth, water & sky that sustain the lives of all Earthly beings. So, obviously, the most sustainable human future requires bioethical values that foster and support ecospheric consciousness and vice-versa.

**Bush Mechanic:** (Also Bushie) an Australian term for a creative problem-solver, a resourceful, multi-talented, skillful person committed to effective self-reliance. The term refers to people able to survive and thrive in Australia’s gigantic Outback, far from easy access to all the products of civilization.



A “Bushie” is usually an artificer, a generalist, or a multi-specialist, often engaged in interdisciplinary work and life-long learning. All humans of the most primitive ancient cultures were (or still are) multi-talented artificers and artisans. An urban/suburban Bushie is a creative evolutionary or cultural exorcist, a polymath or ecotopian artificer. Leonardo da Vinci was the ultimate urban Bushie. See the section on CRAFT and De-specialization, below.

**Business:** 1) Commerce (see below) or 2) an enterprise, organization or establishment that engages in productive activities, usually but not necessarily for monetary gain, profit. For example, in the Algonkian (AKA Iriquois) League of 6 nations, the business of governance was a strictly nonprofit practice of leadership, for the sake of sustaining peaceful cultural interaction. In a capitalist society, an ongoing business may not make a profit to avoid or reduce tax liabilities, or to support one or more beneficial projects or programs or charitable organizations.

**Capitalism:** Capital is a conceptual abstraction of the meaning of assets or wealth for the sake of 1) capitalist socioeconomic theory, financial gaming, business activities, accumulation of monetary currency and credit, or 2) for valuation of something considered property or an asset, such as social capital or the ecological capital of “ecosystem services.”

Capitalism is an amoral game: a system of ideas, beliefs and rules that make capital the central object and goal of commercial strategy, communication, behavior and relationship. So, a capitalist society depends on common belief in the prerequisites: the concepts of money, monetary value, financial affluence & credit, assets, property, profit and the supreme priority of winning more ownership of capital.

Hence, capitalists find it difficult or impossible to consider or respect any other kind of sociocultural value system, such as the ancient Gifting Way of primitive spiritual cultures. Now, since accumulating and using financial capital is their main aim, seemingly ethical/moral capitalists may find it difficult or impossible to condemn or denounce the anti-ethical evil of anti-bioethical monopolism and ecocidal multinational corporations.

Marx was wrong about capitalism, but only because he failed to look deep enough into its fundamentals and ours. Our problem is not capitalism, but normalized insanity and systematic corruption.

**Central banks:** The first European central bank scheme after the fall of feudalism happened in Sweden. Like all others that followed, it enabled a perverse debt-currency system and the fraudulent ‘fractional reserve’ banking scam.

The first central bank of Sweden only benefitted the king and the top bankers involved, while it destabilized and ruined the Swedish economy, the lesser citizens and small business owners. It also enabled more taxes and deficit spending to solve the problems it caused. That enabled continuation and escalation of the scam.

The Bank of England copied the scheme and extended it to the present. The Rothschild family exported it to the other European monarchies, creating the financialist-globalist banking cartel. Benjamin Franklin said that it was the real cause of

the American Revolution. Yet, by 1913, the cartel successfully instituted its first central banking branch in the USA, The Fed.

See “Debt-slavery” below.

**Chauvinism:** Ethnocentrism is sociocultural chauvinism, but inter-group rivalry, hatred and/or conflict exists in many arenas of social competition.

Chauvinists believe that their group’s culture, beliefs and qualities are superior to those of other groups, despite having no real evidence or proof. Thus, chauvinism is opposed to a more livable future for all.

**Civilization:** The word comes from a Latin word referring to towns, thus urban culture. However, what we now think of as modern civilization is the outcome of the cultural traditions, languages and beliefs developed mainly through the interaction of Asian, Mid-Eastern, North African and European empires. Yet, recent discoveries in Australia, Tasmania, Amazonia, England, India and Turkey (at Gobekli Tepi, etc.) prove that primitive civilizations hosted highly complex, millennial cultures more than 12,000 years ago.

We now know that emperors and ruling-class elites were vulnerable to anti-ethical hubris and self-deception, thus chauvinism and delusional denial. Sadly, the results of ignoring and denying the ancient wisdom of primitive civilizations prejudiced many modern academics, politicians, corporate executives and parents. So, we all suffer the cumulative consequences of civilization infected with pandemic spiritual illness, corruption.

**Class:** More than 2600 years ago, in what became China, the wise decried the divisiveness and injustices of social stratification, invented to support purely artificial distinctions, essentially unfair advantages, systematic exploitation, control and dominance.

What became many classes in some societies and not so many in others was reduced by financialist capitalism to just 2, the winning-class (the hyper-rich 0.0001%) and the under-class (±99% of us). Whether anyone less rich and powerful than the trillionaires and richest multi-billionaires disbelieves that is irrelevant. The nature of the anti-bioethical capitalist pyramid game makes everyone below the tip part of the losing-class, the under-class.

That is so because the winning-class succeeded in making the financialist central banking & currency game the globally dominant system, supported by the under-class. See the excerpts from *Dao De Jing*, in the section on *Effective Leadership*, below.

**Commerce:** Modern commercial activities emerged from more primitive ways of culture and trade. It still requires commodities and transactions involving value and exchange, now normally involving credit or monetary currency.

Capitalist commerce usually involves profit, but not always. Nations now have laws for determining what are and are not permitted activities. For example, in the USA, corporate executives are legally required to make profit their prime objective, regardless of even ecocidal destruction caused by their decisions.

**Commodity:** 1) Any goods or assets that can be traded or priced, bought and sold can be considered commodities. 2) Any commonly traded product, food or raw material can be considered a commodity. 3) Goods and currencies listed by national and international market brokerages and exchanges are commodities.

In a nation with a socioeconomic financial system, overtly or subliminally assigning a monetary value or price to things tends to make them commodities. In nations ruled by predatory capitalists, they tend to commodify everything to control everything and everyone for the sake of winning more profit and more control.

**Commons:** The concept grew out of prehistoric understandings about the existence of land, waters and other species that supported the lives of all members of a human tribe or community. The commons is what some now call public land and [what is now called] its natural resources, not private or imperial property, nor the possessions of tyrants, priests and religious organizations.

**Commonwealth:** 1) Commonly shared cultural & natural wealth, 2) a productive cultural alliance; or 3) life-enhancing activity of communities, nations or cultures.

**Compound interest:** The worst form of financial exploitation gives the loan shark (usurer) exponentially increasing profit with no proportional relation to the assumed benefit of currency borrowed by the victim.

When a nation uses currency tied to bank loans with compound interest and monetary policy controlled by an international cartel of central bankers, i.e. the Fed & other central banks, the inevitable result is exponentially increasing national debt, corruption and deficit spending for the profit, power and virtual tyranny of a hyper-rich, winning-class of elitists.

Compound interest is the key ingredient that fuels and maintains the plutocratic kleptocracy ruining the world and our habitat, Earth.

**Communism:** “Primitive communism” is what Marx called the way of the ancient hunter-gatherer cultures. They were and are primarily nonmonetary, gifting & sharing cultures.

According to the Bible, the Berean community of early Christians practiced pure communism. Evidently, they enjoyed great benefits and advantages similar to those available in cooperative communes and communities of today. The Mondragon communities of Spain are outstanding examples. Yet, there are no purely communist national cultures today.

Attaining and sustaining an ideal communist or communitarian culture now requires Greening money, eliminating fraudulent monetary policy and banning parasitic banking practices. There is no other way to prevent toxic exploitation and exactly what happened to the world over the last several thousand years.

**Corporation:** A corporation is a legal fiction, a contractual relationship of co-owners of a business or institution legally defined as a fictional person. Spiritually, it is equivalent to a semi-mindless mega-demon.

Primarily, a corporation’s purpose is protection of the co-owners from law-suits due to injuries, deaths, losses or damages incurred during a venture or operations, like the

sinking of a whaling ship or theft by pirates. Thus, the liabilities were limited to the monetary value of the corporation's assets, protecting the remaining assets of the co-owners.

For centuries corporations were chartered by the monarchs and/or governments of the nations of origin and the system was relatively benign. As the industrial revolution went into high-gear, corruption, greed and lust for increasing power and control enabled ever more undue protections and unjust benefits for corporations and their major stockholders. That led to the increasingly severe corruption, subversion and perversion of Anglo-American society, its governments and the rule of law.

The last straw was the unconstitutionally unjust "Citizens United" decision of the US Supreme Court, claiming that using "money" (virtual bribery) is free speech. That seemed to justify allowing corporations rights superior to the rights of US citizens, real persons, natural human beings. Obviously, the judicial puppets of the hyper-rich elite imposed no extra responsibility to counter the extra rights of corporations. That proved the insanity and treasonous injustice required for the decision.

**Corporatism:** Another word for globalism and plutocratic fascism AKA kleptocracy or apateocracy. Originally, [corporatism](#) was the mercantilism of imperialist monarchial societies of Europe's middle-ages. After the devastation of the Dark Ages and plagues, European feudalism declined in chaos as the merchant classes, guilds and then bankers rose in power and influence, gradually adopting the piracy paradigm & anti-ethical corruption of feudal tyranny.

Industrialism and the deficiencies of mass-society led to the normalized dysequity, injustice and mass-insanity of ecocidal consumerism. For corporatists, the prime objective is profit or personal gain, winning, regardless of harm or ecocidal catastrophe. For them ownership and personal property are superior to good stewardship, general prosperity, happiness and cultural wellness.

Corporatists are psychopathic monopolists, infected by anti-bioethical mental illness and ecocidal evil.

**Cosmos:** For the ancient Greeks cosmos was the word for the home of being & life, the universe. Consider the ancient related terms the Greeks saw as essential for understanding cosmos: *somos*, *logos*, *nöos*, *pathos*, *tonos*, *ethos* and *sophos*.

*Somos* is the mode & principle of embodiment. *Logos* is the mode & principle of logic & communication. *Nöos* is the mode & principle of mentality, intellect and thought. *Pathos* is the mode & principle of feeling or responsive empathy & sympathy. *Tonos* is the mode & principle of attunement or harmony & appropriateness. *Ethos* is the mode & principle of virtue or fitness & character. *Sophos* is the mode & principle of truth, understanding, realism & bioethical wisdom.

Those intrinsic, interdependent modes of presence enable mentality, physicality, activity, sustainable humanity and culture.

**Creative Evolutionary:** A revolutionary is usually not an evolutionary. Pioneering ecotopians and Bushies foster, create and sustain positive cultural evolution and cultural

wellness. Revolutions only rotate status quo power freaks out of and into positions of tyranny.

**Credit:** 1) positive recognition and acknowledgment of value or benefit and trust, 2a) merit or b) positive relative value or benefit or c) potential for making monetary payments or loans or contributions.

**Cultural genocide:** Genocide is the act or attempt to kill all people of other genotypes or species. Cultural genocide is an attempted or actual destruction of another culture's existence.

Anti-bioethical, ethnophobic and xenophobic cultures can become genocidal, pervasively homicidal. See "Institutional racism" and "White supremacy" below.

**Culture:** The ethos, norms, ways and interactions of the members of a species defines its culture. For most human societies, culture includes their social activities, customs, spirituality, values & ethics, education, theory & beliefs, norms, science, arts, craft, technology, industry, communication, ritual and commerce. So, though not the same, culture and society are inseparably interdependent.

**Currency:** Currency, the word, relates to what is currently used in cultural exchange, between individuals and cultures. In a cultural economy, whatever is accepted as a medium of exchange or symbol of value is currency, tokens of value and a measure of value.

The perceived value may be relative, intrinsic, monetary or notional, like collectors' value, but it is both a principle and a purely mental, psychosocial thing. Currency may be an unofficial or customary medium of exchange or issued officially as monetary currency.

To remain generally useful, viable and reliable, monetary currency must be symbolic and stable, representing a known standard of generally accepted, relative values. When a currency is manipulated for profit by financialists, bankers, traders, corrupt or incompetent politicians and criminals, it is no longer a medium of fair exchange. Without a stable, knowable standard of acceptable value, there is no basis for fair exchange or a valid money system.

So, in principle, to be truly valid and viable, monetary currency must be issued in direct proportion to actual production or contribution of benefit and positive cultural value. Issuing new units of currency for anything other than real goods & services (or other truly beneficial contributions to culture) is inflationary. The intrinsic inflation of disproportionate issue of new currency devalues a currency, somewhat like issuing and selling new shares of company stock dilutes all previously issued shares, decreasing their value.

Intrinsic inflation devalues currency for the sake of speculators, exploiters, manipulators, bankers and corrupt politicians who gain ever more unfair advantage over everyone else.

**Debt:** The concept now refers to a socially derived state or notion of obligation or negative score, incurred as a result of a voluntary agreement or material deficiency or

insufficiency made possible by general use of a monetary system or exploitive banking. Today, as in ancient times, a debt may be incurred to achieve greater material wealth.

Typically, debt is owed to an individual lender or group or to a bank or finance company in the business of making a profit. The whole world is now exploited with toxic currencies tied to compounding debt to the multinational bankers' cartel and intrinsic inflation. Yet, the notion of a national debt, with compound interest owed to a peoples' own treasury is a ridiculous delusion, perpetuated by fraudulent propaganda.

Citizens who understand the realities of currency, credit, debt and functional monetary systems would never tolerate a national debt-for-profit scam to perpetuate rule by racketeers and international corrupt organizations (RICO), the multinational financial corporations and their psychopathic executives.

**Debt-slavery:** Small-scale debt-slavery emerged as individual or corporate exploiters gave up using and supporting unpaid slaves. Large-scale debt-slavery arose as a plutocratic alternative to social equity, ethical politics, justice and liberty for all.

For example, before labor unions and just labor laws, in the USA and many other nations, miners could live in company towns and be paid just a little more than the price of food and housing. So, they borrowed from the company at high-interest, sinking deeper into chronic debt.

The hyper-rich plutocrats of Europe realized that they could do the same thing to whole populations, with the help of corrupt kings, aristocrats, political cronies, central banks and subverted money. See "Central banks" above and "Wage-slavery" below.

**Deficit-spending:** In apateocracies, instead of using a national money system for debt-free investment in cultural development, manipulators use both debt-funded projects or programs and debt-based currency as excuses for unnecessary taxation and parasitic banking that maintains systematic fraud and plutonomy.

**Deflation:** Systemic inflation creates the potential for sudden deflation and foreclosure, acquisition of real property by Banksters. Fraudulent monetary policy — created and maintained by corrupt bankers and kleptocrats — enables manipulation of the supply of currency. That depends on pervasive disinformation, dumbing-down and the mass-confusion of the victims.

As long as a population is confused about the real nature of value and symbolic monetary value, it can be exploited for decades or centuries without realizing how. For example, The Fed's policy determines the rate of intrinsic inflation of its Fed dollars' relative value. That equals artificial devaluation of its dollars' imaginary, constantly changing value. When the globalist banking cartel's game gets dangerously risky (for them), they change their policy to reflate the artificial value of their valueless dollars. Mainstream economists confuse the victims by calling the result deflation.

Studying the real economic history of the Great Depression and The Fed helps, but here is a simpler example: By 1937, the kleptocrats and controlling owners of The Fed cartel decided that there was still too much real wealth in the hands of smaller capitalists and the rest of the under-class. So, they changed their fraudulent monetary policy again, causing a market crash even steeper than the 1929-'33 crash.

Naturally, the bewildered victims lost their assets in foreclosure, forfeiture to the manipulators who orchestrated the gambit. Then, in the emergency of WW2, FDR — cooperating with The Fed's owners — signed an executive order prohibiting private ownership of gold and one that changed its fixed price from \$20.67 per ounce to \$35 per ounce.

That netted the kleptocrats and The Fed an instant 69% gain from the new artificial 'value' of gold. Of course, it also devalued (inflated) The Fed's paper notes & coin proportionately.

Imagine suddenly losing 69% of the value of your assets and your buying-power, after losing most of your possessions because of deflation (the 'crashes' of 1929 & 1937 and the Great Depression). That explains why inflation, deflation, 'floating' exchange 'value' and fraudulent currency manipulation are so important to kleptocrats and The Fed.

**Delusion:** Objects of consciousness may not be what they seem. Delusion is believing that a thing or perception is other than what it is. Believing that unreal personal mental phenomena are real is delusional thinking. Delusion can be either individual or social.

Hence, delusion may be either normative, due to culturally induced social illness, or abnormal, due to neurological illness, or we can suffer both simultaneously. For example, believing that an opinion is a truth is a common kind of delusion. Another common example is the delusional belief that modern currencies have real value, though they have none of their own.

Believing that ecocidal mania is healthy normality is another tragic example, and it perpetuates global kleptocracy.

**Demon:** The popular notion of demons being actual supernatural beings, with substantial, independent reality, enables mass-irresponsibility. It also requires belief in a duality of mental and physical or social phenomena.

For the good of a saner, Greener civilization, we need to redefine the nature of demonic influences. We can think of a demon as any belief, attitude, intention, thought (or habit of thought), habitual activity or routine, process, system or organization that harms or destroys life or that limits or retards spiritual evolution or psychosocial maturity.

**Devaluation:** See "Deflation" above, "Inflation" and "Value" below.

**Depression:** When happiness, inspiration, liveliness, wellness and prosperity are pervasively deficient in a culture or civilization, bankers and economists call it a depression.

Yet, the most ancient primitive cultures—even in seemingly barren deserts—prevent such deficiency, by default. They do that by not depending on money, ownership, buying, selling, profit and modern industry. Therefore, they are not subject to systematic exploitation by the top tier market manipulators of the globalist-financialist elite.

It would be more accurate to call a 'depression' a suppression (of cultural affluence and productivity). Recall that there is no buzzword to label a healthy modern economy. Why?

The banking cartel and kleptocrats keep national bubble economies swinging from boom to bust. Also, popular awareness of a state of stable prosperity would make the kleptocrats' system look like what it is.

**Division of labor:** Division of labor may have begun millions of years ago, with fathers doing most of the hunting and mothers doing childcare, camp craft and foraging.

As human culture evolved, so did the division of labor, leading to specialization, initially in shamanic leadership and the healing arts. The advent of organized agricultural and urban civilization fostered and supported more specialists and a decreasing number of generally skillful workers.

The rise of intercultural conflict, war, large populations, more dependence on farming and increasing specialization led to extreme sociocultural inequity, theocratic empires, priests, tyrants and slave labor. Feudalism, medieval religion, serfs and guilds came next. The Industrial Revolution fostered and supported the ultimate division of labor.

Millions did virtually robotic work, repetitive tasks on assembly lines or dangerous, dirty, mind-numbing work in mines, steel mills and other mass-production factories, for 12 to 16 hours daily. For the evil stockholders who owned the factories, it worked better than slavery, because they need not provide housing, clothing, food and medical care for employees.

As it continued to develop, industrial division of labor led to mass-production and mass-consumerism fueled by more mass-media propaganda, systemic corruption and severe consequences.

**Ecocide:** Like biocide, total ecocide (omnicide) may not be possible. Attempted ecocide may kill the perpetrators before they succeed. The ecocidal politics of Trump and his Trumpy supporters enabled ending protections necessary for nontoxic water, air, soil and safe nuclear power plants in flood zones and near US coasts, which will be underwater within 10 to 20 years. Ecocidal mania is a form of psychopathic mental illness with features of subliminal suicidal "death wish" and genocidal psychosis.

**Ecometrics:** For the ancient Greeks, *oikos* related to home, homeland, and what we see as our environment, our habitat, Earth.

Our habitat is now as much internal, psychospiritual and psychosocial as it is external, ecological. So, unlike econometrics, ecometrics refers to terms, tools and methods for identifying, monitoring, evaluating and explaining the qualitative dimensions of human reality by relating them to quantitative measures of the results of human interaction at any scale.

**Econometrics:** "Eco-", like ancient Greek *oikos*, relates to where we live. Unlike holonomic ecometrics, econometrics names and describes quantitative measures of financial results of concepts, maps and models invented by mainstream economists.



They partially measure some results of past interactions and consequences, not the whole of a cultural economy.

Econometrics actually enable comparative statistical studies of quantitative mathematical models based on limited data sets and constraints permitted by economists who invent and use them. They never permitted proof of economic theorems with viably explanatory or truly useful predictive power.

**Economics:** Economics should be a technical discipline that identifies, names, describes and explains the processes and dynamics of human culture and reality. Unfortunately, economics never became a science. Mainstream economics only studies and predicts results of using unrealistic models, limited data sets and econometrics based on theorems and conjectures that ignore the vast qualitative dimension of human reality.

**Economy:** In ancient Greece, *oikonomia* referred to the ways and welfare of the family houses of citizens. That made perfect sense in a smaller-scale republic of intensely committed participants.

Now, our word—used as in "an economy"—refers to the total cultural activity and interactions of social groups, communities, states, nations or civilizations; specifically either their 1) non-monetary cultural activity and exchange or 2) monetary transactions or 3) both actual exchange and symbolic transactions. Economy also refers to efficiency or minimal expense.

The "economy" of a nation is not simply the activity and measure of the financial activities of investors, speculators, bankers, brokers and market makers affecting the markets for securities, commodities-futures and currency trading. A culture's economy is the whole of all productive activities and transactions.

**Ego:** In Español (Spanish), *ego* is the word for self. Buckminster Fuller saw *ego* as a function of the universe enabling different points of view, individual minds, perceptions and conceptions.

Confusing *ego* with conceit or delusional mentality or perverse modes of personality is an unhelpful notion. Most of us think of our mental self/world construct as actual, isolated or independent selves in a permanent reality. That prevents undistorted awareness and ecospheric consciousness. In other words, our individual being is not separate from all others or from the totality of universal being.

**Ecotopia:** Ecotopia is a possible way of civilization and culture supported by bioethical values, enabling and sustaining a global commonwealth.

Utopia was a satirical fantasy novel written by Thomas More, published in 1516. Utopia was a critique of English and European societies and their politics. The full meaning of ecotopia is embodied and expressed in *Civilization or Dystopia* and a forthcoming constitution for a global alliance of ecotopian communities, institutions & nations.

**Ethics:** 1) The enabling principles of virtue, goodness, and of fair, equitable, mutually beneficial relationship and/or 2) natural morality; 3) codified social or cultural values and relational metrics.

Valid ethics depend on and include bioethics. Bioethics are the principles of natural wellness, relationship, complementarity and reciprocity that foster and sustain life. Bioethics enable inner and outer wellness, healthy environments, lively ecoregions and high QOL in our habitat, Earth's biosphere. Any ethics in conflict with or lacking bioethical principles are unrealistic, or inadequate, at best.

The historic oaths of ancient medical practice were some of the earliest statements of bioethics. Bioethical intent and action foster or restore and support wellness, as much as possible without causing harm or damage. Naturally, the "prudent man principle" AKA the [precautionary principle](#)<sup>[?]</sup> is an essential element of bioethics and biocentric policy directives. It requires acting in favor of caution and restraint when making the wrong decisions could cause irreparably harmful or terminal results.

The ongoing ruin of Earth's biosphere is a worst-case example of the worst possible results of unethical and anti-ethical intention, action and inaction.

**Ethos:** The original meaning is best. Ethos relates to the character and quality of a species' or culture's nature and the typical instinctual or customary behavioral patterns enabling and governing its existence and its ecological sustainability. It once related to our sense of place and way of interacting appropriately with our local or regional habitat. Ethos is the basis and essence of ethics.

**Ethology:** The science that studies and characterizes the nature, ways and means of a species and its relationship to its habitat and other species or cultures. Mastering meta-economics and bioethical axiology requires a basic grasp of ethology.

**Evil:** Any anti-bioethical thought, attitude, intention, communication, behavior, habit or group activity that deliberately degrades, harms or destroys life is evil.

For example, globalist kleptocracy, the ultimate evil, is systematic corruption intended to create or foster and support tyranny and ecocidal mass-insanity. Ecocidal consumerism, indiscriminate destruction, political chaos, unfair exploitation and glorification of violence & cruelty are examples of anti-bioethical insanity and pure evil.

**Family:** Family is the original human social group, the basic necessity of of community and culture. A community is a relationship of relationships of families. Healthy, happy, prosperous families sustain cultural wellness and thriving communities. To the extent that family-life declines or fails, cultures, communities, nations and civilizations decline and fail. Ecocidal kleptocracy infects and sickens families. Ecospheric awareness and culture support the healing and sustainable wellness of families.

**Fear:** Warren Buffett, hedge fund managers, top tier bankers and other major 'market makers' know that fear and greed rule the unfree market of the financial economy of casino capitalism.

Fear keeps members of the under-class from rising up in rebellion against the tiny, super-rich winning-class minority that milks us, constantly, systematically. Fear of admitting that keeps us from suffering the awful truth, temporarily, until we wake up or die.

**Federal Reserve system:** In 1913, Congress let "[The Fed](#)" be incorporated as a privately owned banking cartel, a monopoly, not a federal agency. The conspirators said it would control the USA's economy and money system for the good of all of us. It never did.

It competes against us. It presided over and aggravated every national financial disaster since it began. The game is like Monopoly, but played by Bankster rules so the bankers keep winning more as everyone else keeps losing more.

**Fractional reserve banking:** The parasitic basic banking policy of the world's dominant banking cartel officially defines reserves as customers' actual currency "held" on deposit. The Fed's current rules permit from 90% to 100% of a bank's deposits of its artificial debt-currency units to be invested, mostly in more loans of instant cyber-bucks, debt-based bonds and leveraged derivatives (CDOs, etc.), all based on constantly changing artificial values.

The rules of the game permit creating synthetic debt-currency based on the amount of loans, future profits (interest) and new debt-currency issued for more exponential profit. This absurdly negative system enables proportionally ruinous currency devaluation (intrinsic inflation) for more efficient kleptocracy, with ever-compounding profit for the biggest banks and kleptocrats.

**Fraud:** A harmful, dishonest, deceptive practice or game designed to cheat people is fraud, a scam. A scam or con-game enables a fraudsters' success by gaining then exploiting the confidence of the victim or victims.

A game is a system, and some frauds are committed with very sophisticated systems, like the central banking cartel's system.

For example, the debt-for-profit 'fiat currency' system created by and for the multinational bankers who own the central banks of the world is the most sophisticated system in the history of fraud. The game is so successful because the vast majority of victims are unable to understand that the system itself cheats them and how it does that.

The mass-deception and vulnerability of the victims are maintained mainly by erroneous beliefs, misplaced trust, nonexistent meta-economics, unethical economics, dyseducation, propaganda, secret meetings of the central banks' controllers and the collaboration of corrupt politicians and officials.

Apparently, they agree with the king of the circus, P.T. Barnum, who said "never give a sucker an even break."

**Game:** A game is either finite or infinite. A finite game is a system. It has definite rules, goals, limits, a beginning, duration, ending and a setting (a board or playing field or a cyber-environment).

Cultures are infinite games. They have no definite limits, beginning or duration, no fixed unchanging rules or goals accepted by all participants and no fixed setting, unless travel beyond this solar system is possible. At any given moment, a human society or civilization is a semi-finite game. It may have a fixed agenda and territory, definite limits, a beginning and end. It may end by conquest, self-destruction or a mass-extinction level event.

Socioeconomic systems are semi-finite games, based on belief systems, rules, limits and the duration of the participants' trust, faith and participation. So far, none of them lasted forever, and the more corrupted they got, the faster & harder they fell. Vladimir Lenin realized that nothing works better than perverting a nation's money system.

**GDH:** General domestic happiness (GDH) measures the real benefits or defects of a cultural economy or socioeconomic system. The GDH index (GDHI) is derived using the RPI (real progress indicator) methodology and quality of life assessments (QOLA). RPI subtracts the cost of losses from annual monetary GDP numbers.

QOLA uses the average of all [QOL indexes](#) (QOLI) to find the relative score of a state, nation or civilization, giving greater weight to the more bio-ethical indexes that factor in natural realities. Subtracting the RPI number from total financial loss and debt, then finding the percentage of the average of all QOLA scores as a fraction of the global QOLI, gives us a national, regional or local GDHI score.

**GDP:** Unlike the GDHI and RPI methodology, gross domestic product (GDP) does not subtract the actual cost of losses or damages from annual monetary income numbers. It also adds the cost of any cleanup, repair, replacement, court costs, punitive damages, settlements, legal fees, fines and interest as part of annual GDP. It is a gross abuse of mathematics and an absurd example of the insanity of mainstream economists and teachers of economics.

**Genius:** It seems helpful to upgrade the popular notion of genius. It devolved into a label for people seeming much more intelligent than the average person.

As many wise creatives have realized, genius is not a special state, granted only to exceptional people. It is what it originally meant, the inspiration and creativity devoted to satisfying our curiosity and fulfilling our potentials. Einstein admitted that. He said that imagination is more important than knowledge. He also said that genius is 10% inspiration and 90% perspiration (work).

We all have access to genius, some more, some less, depending on our circumstances and personal choices. For successful transition to the Greenest, most sustainable future, we need to liberate our genius.

**Good:** The word may refer to the natural principle, goodness, virtue or benefit and value, or to a purely psychosocial concept or delusion. It is no accident that the words "good" and "god" are similar.

The original sense of goodness was not separated from our sense of appreciation for the sacred, the divine and the naturally enjoyable wonders, pleasures and sustainers of life. What is truly good for living beings today was always good. What was really bad for living beings is still bad. For example, originally, there was no crime nor a reason for it: no official laws, no money, no bankers, no debts, no poverty, no war nor reasons for war and no fake goodness.

Now though, many people believe that some bad or worthless things or actions of body, voice or mind are good. Yet, a sustainably good socioeconomic system requires true understanding and preservation of real goodness.

People who fail to sustain real goodness fail to sustain bioethical integrity, cultural wellness and quality of life.

**Habit:** We are creatures of habit. Habit can be the best of servants, but it is the worst of masters. Our worst habits are bad habits of mind that perpetuate bad choices and the worst activities of groups, businesses, institutions, governments and civilizations.

Unfortunately, the natural principles of entropy and synergy make the bad habits of any human group total more than the sum of its members' bad habits. In other words, any organization run by and for ecocidal psychopaths becomes equivalent to a mega-demon, a monster with a fake mind of its own.

That explains the addictive ecocidal mania of industrial-financialist kleptocracy running and ruining the world.

**Holocene:** This term is a useful example of the intrinsic, institutionalized conceit and arrogance of early modern science. The prefix "holo-" refers to a whole of something or a holistic approach to a subject.

No branch of mainstream science involves complete knowledge of its field of research, least of all Earth's 'prehistoric' past. Therefore, calling the interim between the Pleistocene and Petrocene eras the 'Holocene' implies the falsehood that the emergence of civilization is the whole of what matters most to science and civilization.

See "Anthropocene" above, "Pleistocene" and "Petrocene" below.

**Hypnocracy:** Modern kleptocracy AKA globalist plutocracy requires mass-hypnosis, maintained by the 6 multinational media corporations' TV, films, magazines, advertising, etc.

A world or society immersed in an ocean of lies, half-truths, fantasies, illusions, shibboleths and false assumptions perpetuated by mass-media suffers hypnocracy, by default.

Hypnocracy prevents discernment of the differences between reality and illusion or fantasy, between sanity & delusion, between truth & lies, honesty & deception and between value & disvalue. Thus, such a state of mass-perversion is essentially dysfunctional, self-defeating and self-destructive.

**Illusion:** An illusion is like an optical mirage. If what we perceive is not what it seems to be, it is illusory. For example, the predominant global financial/monetary system is pure illusion maintained by mass-delusion, mass-deception and propaganda accepted as fact or truth. GDP numbers prove that example.

**Inflation:** Inflating the monetary value of a currency actually devalues it. However, the fixed value of a valid unit of symbolic exchange, based on a stable, official standard of value, cannot be inflated.

The only kind of currency that can be inflated (devalued) has artificial, fake value, created for the sake of manipulation by clever exploiters of the system, the game. The other unfair advantage gained by inflating the fake value of currency with no fixed value of its own—with no commonly accepted standard of value—is the ability to manipulate and inflate the prices of everything else.

Likewise, the reverse is then possible. Prices can be depressed. Assets and properties can then be lost and acquired through market manipulation by the cleverest players.

**Institutional racism:** When people of a one social group are socially programmed (from birth) to hate or degrade another group, falsely defined as inferior or antagonistic, racism can be a systemic stratagem of institutional and/or subliminal oppression, cultural genocide and genocide. The most atrocious examples are the historic racist offenses against ancient indigenous cultures and people of color.

**Intelligence:** Many of us seem to think that great intelligence equals great wisdom. Yet, very intelligent people and groups of very clever people have made and keep making insanely stupid choices, mistakes, even ecocidally disastrous mistakes. In fact, the most severe stupidity is actually the extent to which highly intelligent people make or support the most disastrous mistakes. The current conditions of Earth's biosphere and globalist kleptocracy are perfect examples of unwise intelligence.

**Interest:** Monetary lending at interest (for profit) was long known as usury, a mortal sin, banned by Jewish and Muslim law. Compound interest is exponentially worse.

The basis of interest began when a fortunate individual was interested in helping to increase the size or quality of another's herd of sheep, goats or cows. A share of the herd's increase—one or more of the off-spring of the animal given or loaned—was given in return for the favor. That sharing of real benefit caused no systemic problems, because healthy animals keep giving birth. Lending for monetary interest causes problems because currency is not like a herd of animals.

On their own, coins, paper notes and cyber-numbers do not give birth to babies. They are sexless, thus procreating no new currency (coins, etc.). Using compound interest for a monetary loan compounds the evil of a lender getting an increasing share of somebody's wealth, while decreasing the currency available to others.

Compound interest accrues without a proportional investment or actual contribution of positive value or productive benefits. Usury with compound interest always has a negative effect on communities, cultures, currencies and economies. Jews, Christians and Muslims used to know that.

Clearly, systematized national-debt-for-profit maintained by and for parasitic banking (plus bond and commodity currency trading) is an example of chronic usury and fraud, designed for unfair advantages over unwitting victims on a global scale.

**Justice:** The essence of fairness is the principle we call justice or equity. Yet, both those words now relate to distorted and perverse notions. The realities of justice, in principle, enable and sustain valid legal logic and effective jurisprudence. Wisdom requires justice.

Good laws, proper enforcement, good government, bioethical politics and cultural wellness are all impossible without real justice. Without justice, sustainably sane civilization is impossible. Real justice requires bioethical consciousness and compassionate wisdom.

**Kakistocracy:** Wikipedia's article on [kakistocracy](#) is excellent, yet very succinct, with good history and links to articles on Trump's brand of rule by the worst people possible.

**Karma:** The ancient Indian word refers to the nature of activity, action & reaction, the interaction of cause & effect. Knowing that is important for developing healthy communities. Misunderstanding or ignoring the reality of simultaneous action & reaction supports the attitude that ethics & ecospheric consciousness are optional or irrelevant.

Karma is not a cosmic credit score. It is the universal law of interdependent interaction. It enables physical reality, energy, change, being and becoming. It also enables learning, the development of knowledge and, sometimes, great compassion, real wisdom and change for the better. It does that by ensuring that dysfunctional actions cause bad results, and that good causes produce good results.

**Labor:** The modern notion of labor makes no sense beyond the domain of modern industrial civilization and mainstream economics.

More than 2500 years ago, Kong-Fu Zi (Confucius) said, "Do what you love, and you will never work a day in your life."

There are now numerous video documentaries and anthropological studies proving that Kong-Fu Zi was right. Therefore, the Labor Theory of Value is based on ignorance and modern delusion and/or confusion about the nature of human life, culture and value.

**Life:** Being alive is a natural universal phenomenon, an active principle, an expression and embodiment of universal presence and its potential. Life in general can be thought of as the totality of being or as synonymous with being itself, the essence of actual psychophysical presence.

So, life can be seen as the nature of the universal tendency to manifest the potentials of mentality and physical being, in any or all of its forms. That makes the aliveness of an organism, either unicellular or multicellular, the only authentic kind of life. In other words, living beings are natural creatures, expressions & embodiments of universal being and its natural intelligence. Despite popular notions & propaganda, no man-made machines will ever be alive.

**Love:** Loving is kind, the opposite of hating, ill-will and evil action. Sustainable love requires deep appreciation and affection but, more importantly empathy, compassionate wisdom and friendship. Sexual love or loving sexuality can be inappropriate or temporary. The greatest love is all-encompassing, ecospheric, innately bioethical, unconditional and nurturing.

**Market crash:** Panics and crashes are only possible in bubble markets, orchestrated by pump & dump experts, AKA market makers.

The most expert market makers of all time own The Fed, the other national central banks and the top commodities brokers, especially the top tier currency exchange brokers.

Thus, in the brief pre-communist republic of China, President Chiang-Kai Shek made currency speculation a capital offense, subject to summary execution by firing squad. If the US Constitution included that preventative measure, panics, crashes, depressions and recessions could never happen, and there would be no Fed, nor kleptocratic oligarchy disguised as a democratic republic.

The only possible alternative to ongoing boom & bust or stagflation is a steady-state socioeconomic system, sustaining an ecospheric culture supported by a bioethical paradigm.

**Meta-economics:** Like metamathematics, meta-economics is the science and study of the metalogical principles that enable valid economics and qualitative econometrics. Meta-economics is the paradigm, philosophy, ethics and ontology of economics.

For example, valid mathematical theory cannot exist without a holotrophic metatheory of metamathematics. Likewise, no realistic economic theorem can exist without a valid metatheory of bioethical meta-economics. Naturally, that requires a holistic understanding of human culture and history.

So, the deficiencies, defects, absurdities and atrocities of modern economics continue as long as economists and their employers refuse to co-develop or accept a bioethical metatheory of meta-economics.

**Meta-logic:** Principles of logic are enabled by metalogical principles of being. Science, technology and all systems of every kind depend on logical principles. Principles of enabling metalogic may be either virtual or natural or both. The metalogical principles that enable bioethical meta-economics are natural and virtual.

**Metatheory:** The governing paradigm of a science or a profession or a society is its defining body of metatheory, its conceptual framework, its enabling conceptual structure or belief system. A theoretical system is determined by the metalogical principles of its metatheory.

Without a unitive and holonomic metatheory of meta-economics, ethical economics and viable economies are impossible. For example, the fragmentation and deficiencies of mainstream economics promotes and aggravates the ecocidal dysfunctionalities of the fraudulent financial system destabilizing and degrading all modern nations, the climate and our habitat, Earth's biosphere.

Bioethical meta-economics will support a sustainable steady-state economy that enables and sustains a livable ecospheric future.

**Money:** A not-for-profit system of concepts, beliefs, symbolic abstractions and symbolic media for 1) convenient exchange of goods or services, 2) for measuring relative value, and 3) for accounting & accumulating value.

A monetary system may be implemented with symbolic tokens, notes, documents or contractual agreements, such as letters of credit, receipts or bills, and records of account. The ancient system of Yap Island employs giant stone rings too big to move. Value is determined by mutual agreement and related to the size of a stone. The current owner's name is inscribed on the stone.



When the value of a system's currency is subverted and devalued—not fixed and set by mutual agreement of the users—or is used as a commodity for the sake of for-profit currency speculation and financial exploitation, the system is no longer money.

**Monopoly:** The board game differs from neoMonopoly, the kleptocratic world game, in many ways. Top-tier players use financial and political corruption and mass-deception to increase and maintain anti-ethical monopolistic control of the 'markets' and under-class consumers. The big winners use their expert knowledge and 'secret' advantages to create ever more debt-slaves, who become increasingly unwilling to admit to their bamboozlement and subjugation.

**Mythos:** Cultures sustain their coherency, stability and integrity with myth, either subliminally or overtly. A culture's mythos and ethos are inseparably interdependent, they sustain each other.

Mythos and logos are also interdependent and mutually influential. For better or worse, our myths cultural and personal myths are mostly interdependent and interactive. Ignoring mythos is a potentially disastrous error.

**NeoMonopoly:** This new term makes it easy to understand the nature, purpose and methods of 'Casino Capitalism' or, more aptly, globalist monopolism. Playing the board game (Monopoly) by The Fed's rules is the best way to see why the Bankster always wins, and all other players keep losing and going ever deeper into exponential debt.

**Paradigm:** The root meaning relates to a model or conceptual construct, representing an existentially real object, place, world or system.

So, a map expresses the paradigm of mapmakers, map-users, geographers and so on. The paradigm of a science or profession or scholarly discipline also includes rules and protocols maintaining the belief system installed in each participant's brain/mind.

A cultural or social paradigm is a mental self-world construct, maintained by beliefs, ideas, true and false assumptions, notions, popular fictions and, in some cases, delusions (installed in the minds and brains of the believers).

**Personality:** Like physicality and mentality, personality is a principle. Unfortunately, misunderstanding that is a common cause of conflict and suffering. Suffering and confusion about the true nature of personal reality was what caused Buddha to search for a solution and "wake up" to the true nature of reality.

**Petrocene:** This new label for the modern era of civilization began with the biocidal use of coal and oil fueled production & consumption. This era also spawned addictive technopoly, biocidal consumer culture, anti-bioethical globalist monopolies and kleptocratic corporatism.

This era ends when its effects submerge the land, buildings and power grids supporting nearly 5.5 billion humans living within 130 km (80 miles) of a coastline. The best scientific predictions foresee the post-petrocene era beginning between 2040 and 2050 CE.

**Plutocracy:** A form of government controlled by people who possess and control most financial and cultural assets. It increases extreme dysequity, usually suppressing

beneficial cultural evolution and immunity to systemic corruption. Then it either collapses or is destroyed by its victims or enemy nations.

**Plutonomy:** The term was mentioned in a Citicorp report to its 'richest' clients. When a cultural economy is effectively subverted by a plutocratic oligarchy, like the USA's, the result is a financial economy run by and for the super-rich and hyper-rich power-elite.

Under-class victims, approximately 99.9% of us, become unwitting slaves and servants stuck in the self-destructive system. In principle, plutonomy is, like the Fed's national-debt-for-profit currency scam, a Ponzi-style pyramid game. Institutionalizing and normalizing it does not make it either ethically valid or legal, just or fair.

**Ponzi scheme:** A pyramid scam, a 'confidence' game, named after the modern con-man who used it to fleece his many victims. Pyramid scams trick victims into believing they can get richer — by trusting con-artist/s who convince them the scam is a legal investment opportunity — which then collapses as the system becomes unsustainable.

The best and longest running pyramid game in the history of financial fraud is run by The Fed and the owners of the multinational banking cartel. They get away with it because only 0.0001% of us understand the nature and methods of the global neoMonopoly game, and how its debt-for-profit play-money system keeps the hyper-rich winning by making the rest of us more poor, gradually, as long as we keep playing.

Unlike the small-scale games run by Mr. Ponzi and Bernie Madoff, the Fed's global scam keeps going because 99.999% of us refuse to believe that depressions and long ruinous recessions are not caused by the big 'winners' and the nature of their game.

**Poverty:** 1) A degrading state of deficiency and deprivation enforced by limited consciousness, cultural illness and retarded prosperity; 2) insufficiency or inability, usually created, perpetuated and exploited by a corrupt socioeconomic regime (*i.e.*, predatory/monopolistic capitalism, a central banking cartel, a perverse consumer society and/or parasitic aristocracy, oligarchy or plutocracy); and 3) financial insufficiency made possible by corrupt banking systems and debt-based currency.

Poverty was unknown and impossible before kleptocracy, money, unfair trade and the creation of monetary debt-for-profit schemes and corrupt banking policy (central banks using fractional reserve banking with fiat currency).

**Power:** We think about many different kinds of social power. There are also several kinds military power, including what we might call weaponized social power. Kleptocratic civilization is so militarized and infested with subconscious misconceptions and political fictions, creating a healthy ecospheric alternative requires holistic understanding of the whole spectrum of power.

For example, Hitler openly admitted that the only power he had was given to him by the people. He was over-simplifying, but we now see the truth in the ongoing support for Donald Trump's reign of corruption by his Trumpies and half the US Senate.

Milder aberrations of human herd mentality keep enabling the ongoing decline of the USA's psychosocial integrity and its increasingly severe inequality, disparity and dysequity. If that was untrue, then a person as openly corrupt as Trump could never be

elected. So, we need sincere devotion to ruthless honesty, bioethical integrity and vigilance.

Progressive researchers who studied intentional communities and wanna-be ecovillages found that nearly 90% fail within 10 years. Many of the rest strayed far from their original Vision and mission statements, if they had one. Why?

Not understanding the nature and mechanics of social power installed in our brains and relationships prevents full commitment to the bioethical principles of sustainable culture.

**Propaganda:** Advertising is commercial propaganda, the broadcasting or publishing of potentially persuasive rhetoric designed to bamboozle people for profit. Political propaganda does it for votes and/or social power and/or maintaining government corruption and/or tyranny.

Adolph Hitler and his inner-circle conspirators perfected the modern version of mass-produced propaganda copied by Euro-American advertising firms serving the kleptocratic corporatist agenda, world domination by mass-bamboozlement and hypnocracy.

**QOC:** Quality of culture is the degree of positive or negative activity, causes and effects that determine the viability, general acceptability, tolerability and sustainability of a family, a clan, a tribe, a society, a nation or a civilization.

For example, empires and nations that fail to enhance and sustain the wellness and resilience of children, elders, women and their habitat, while increasingly “enriching” a tiny, parasitic minority has a low QOC that keeps getting lower, until it extincts itself or recovers. However, when QOC and QOL (quality of life) are too low for too long, such sick societies become incurable and extinct, one way or another.

**QOH:** Quality of happiness can be thought of as the degree of real satisfaction or fulfillment or lack of it. Thus, without high QOH, GDH (general domestic happiness) is impossible.

However, unlike strictly physical values, though relative phenomena, true happiness and satisfaction are actually absolutes, relative to suffering and frustration or craving. We are either happy, satisfied and content or we are not.

Yin is not Yang and vice versa, yet they are inseparably interdependent and interactive. Thus, GDH is an immeasurable in a society that mistakes fake happiness for real QOH. For example, as long as members of a family believe that personal happiness is measured against the worse suffering of the less fortunate, QOH is impossible.

**QOL:** Quality of life relates to the various degrees of wellness or illness existing in a body, a species, a habitat or planetary biosphere, a person or place. For human families and nations quality of life can be assessed in terms of the many different ways we enjoy sufficient happiness, wellness, effectiveness, resilience and positive cultural viability.

For example, a culture that sustains long-term GDH, general wellness and affluence with environmental harmony, vitality and resilience can sustain high personal QOH, QOC and QOL.

**QOS:** Quantity of stuff is a typical standard of ignorant materialists and materialist societies suffering severely low QOC and deficient QOL.

QOS comes to be confused with QOL, QOC and QOH when the results of normative psychosis and mass-stupidity are commonly ignored, due to commercially sponsored propaganda and mass-dyseducation. For example, in the USA and other Euro-American hypnocracies, the perpetuation of plutonomy proves that QOS is generally mistaken for QOH, QOC and QOL.

Why and how? Because, gradually, over many decades, the victims were tricked into believing that QOS is more important than QOL, QOC, QOH and GDH.

**Quality:** Many people of modern capitalist societies now seem to think quantity is as important as quality, or even more so. That state of confusion is caused by a deficient paradigm that fosters and supports kleptocracy and virtual hypnocracy.

Quality is a principle that enables our appreciation of tangible and intangible phenomena, things, ideas, whatever we perceive or conceive.

Our perceptions of quality are actually notional, depending on our individual nature, character, social conditioning (from birth & so on), our beliefs, assumptions, opinions and, possibly, our personal mental fictions or delusions. So, only what has real quality embodies and/or expresses real value, not disvalue or illusory value, fake value.

**Quantity:** Our ability to perceive or conceive of the amount or mass or number of a phenomenal object of consciousness or a collection of such objects is enabled by the principle we call quantity. Thinking of some quantity of psychophysical objects is normally confusing because the principle of quantity is nonphysical, immaterial. For example, thinking that more of anything is better, regardless of quality, is a result of confusion about reality and the nature and meaning of the words.

**Racism:** There are no 'races' or genetically distinct subspecies of modern human beings. Racism emerged because of unscientific ignorance. Racism is now a form of chauvinistic ethnocentrism. See "chauvinism" above.

**Rationality:** Rationality and insanity are not mutually exclusive opposites. A psychopathic serial killer or mass-murderer may usually be rational, in the mainstream sense of that word.

Ecocidal maniacs running large corporations, cartels, government agencies and governments are normally considered very rational. Obviously, if mental wellness enables spiritual, cultural and environmental wellness, but mass-murder and ecocide are enabled by rationality, it is not a sign of sanity.

**Reality:** Natural reality is the momentary presence of being. Universal reality is the substrate and all-encompassing totality of what actually exists, including memories and other expressions of mentality.

Our individual "sense" of reality is relative, subjective, our personal story about reality. Personal 'reality' may agree with universal reality but, as the world devolves into worse mass-insanity, civilized 'reality' grows increasingly illusory or delusional.

**Recession:** A recessive gene is a potential ingredient of bodily disaster. A recessive socioeconomic paradigm is a recipe for cultural catastrophe.

The only thing required for economic recessions is a kleptocratic banking cartel—like The Fed—for enriching an ecocidal power-elite.

**Religion:** For millennia religion grew to dominate the fate of civilizations. They rose and fell with increasing corruption, violence and ecocidal disregard of nature and natural goodness, bioethical integrity.

Increasing dominance of priests and priestcraft diminished respect for direct, spontaneous experience of spirituality, personally and communally, without priests. Organized religion gradually replaced direct experience of ecocentric, bioethical spirituality with myth, theological doctrine, dogma, superstition and ritual.

Religion, the word, comes from ancient Latin—meaning to re-bind or restore to unity or wholeness. So, it may be that religion and ritual developed as an attempt to sustain the greatest possible spirituality, communal harmony and bioethical values. Yet, obviously, religions have never guaranteed either spiritual integrity or bioethical values. History proves that the perversion and abuse of religion can subvert religious beliefs, ethics, morality and our spirituality.

Thus, if genuine religion exists for the good of humanity, then any other kind that perverts humanity and degrades the quality of being is really a fake religion. Yet, religion may cause and aggravate delusional thinking and ecocidal insanity.

Sane civilization requires respect for spirituality and the many religious faiths and beliefs, while not favoring one over any others.

**Sanity:** Being sane enables bioethical functionality, psychological integrity, and cultural effectiveness.

Ideal sanity is ecocentric, enabling a good life, good relationships, good family, good thinking, good timing, appropriate response, and cultural wellness. Insanity is spiritual, mental, social and/or cultural dysfunctionality.

For example, those who oppose bioethical integrity and cultural wellness are insane and spiritually ill.

**Science:** At best, science is a quest for wisdom, understanding reality, life and the universe as it is.

For many centuries, science was called “natural philosophy” and was practiced by gifted amateurs, but not for money or fame and status. Today, most of what most of us call science is ruled by the profit motive of corporations, corrupt governments, corrupt colleges and researchers hungry for financial success, status and fame.

Most modern scientists are not interested in full understanding of reality or anything else. They want to know how things work, so they can do things that generate funding, reputation and more work on what makes money and perpetuates the for-profit science industry.

Thus, most of modern ‘science’ supports the illusory sustainability of biocidal kleptocracy.

**Shibboleth:** Most modern shibboleths are popular assumptions or misconceptions commonly accepted as facts or truths. For example, most of the ideas that maintained ‘the American dream’ are now shibboleths. So, ‘the American dream’ is a [shibboleth](#).

**Sin:** Most religious beliefs about sin are invested with historic notions of actual devils, demons, hells and horrific punishment, for an eternity. The most ancient, original meaning of sin was simply error.

Healthy ecospheric culture requires an all-encompassing acceptance of religious faith and beliefs, but no approval of any negative, condemning beliefs about sin and religious rights to punishment for mistakes of humans by other people.

**Skepticism:** Healthy skepticism can help a society or group prevent or avoid unwise decisions and unhealthy or terminal actions. It can also lead to change or new possibilities of benefit to a whole society or group. Unhealthy skepticism can be due to ignorance, neurotic fears, paranoia and/or other negative factors or influences. Punishing or discouraging healthy skepticism is a symptom of unhealthy social power dynamics. For example, the results of corrupt political regimes can be biocidal.

**SNAPD:** Severely narcissistic authoritarian personality disorder is a mental illness officially known as malignant narcissism, characteristic of the worst chronic abusers, psychopaths and tyrants. See *Appendix E*

**Socialism:** Generally, the popular notions of socialism are based on incomplete knowledge and lack of adequate understanding.

Existing approaches to initiating socialist economies cannot and will not prevent dystopia. In an ecotopian civilization, antique notions about capitalism and socialism will be irrelevant historical oddities.

What we need is cultural wellness. That possibility will only be sustainable with a stable AI-enhanced steady-state economy based on the bioethical paradigm of the gifting/sharing culture of our ancient ancestors.

**Spirituality:** Spirituality is a principle. Spirit may be thought of as an illusion or delusion, or as experience or expression of emotionality, or as the mysterious essence of life and universal being.

To understand spirituality we need to know the difference between it and religion. Even the most anti-religious atheists and the least religious of us seem to accept the reality of spirituality, consciously or otherwise, whether they admit it or not.

Ancient burial sites prove that the reverent human respect for nature and life's mysteries existed 300,000 years ago, or much earlier. Naturally, our sense of the mystic sacredness of life and many of its embodiments and expressions was the origin of biocentric religion.

It may be that religion and ritual developed as an attempt to sustain the greatest possible spirituality and bioethical values. Yet, appreciation of spiritual experience requires no religion. Nor does religion require respect for spirituality, bioethical values, life and humanity.

Spirituality may coexist with insanity, but it is not insanity and does not cause it. Religion may cause and aggravate delusional thinking and ecocidal insanity.

**System:** A game is a system that depends on subsystems, rules and principles, and it may involve use of algorithms, logical processes and procedures. Like many modern games, highly organized societies, governments and corporations are systems of

subsystems, with groups and individuals participating according to rules and enabling principles.

Modern civilization is a semi-chaotic system of systems and subsystems, etc., defined and determined by the rules maintained by the participants, their beliefs, intentions, desires and interactions. If we exchange the rules & principles of ecocidal civilization for ecocentric, bioethical principles & rules, we change the nature of our world game, for the good of all generations.

**Society:** A society or social group has members who voluntarily interact to achieve overtly/covertly common results.

A society may be openly inclusive or exclusive, serving a purpose or purposes valued by its members. The basic paradigm, values, norms, overt/covert rules and qualities of a society or social group determine its functionality, success or failure. So, society is systemic, like a game.

Like any culture, the nature and quality of a social group is determined by the nature & quality of its members and their activities.

**SOL:** Standard of living is a psychosocial notion generally used by ignorant materialists, parasitic kleptocrats, plutonomists and academic con-artists who like to trick ignorant victims into believing SOL equals QOL and/or QOC.

For example, in the USA, political parasites and perverse academics use sophisticated econometric mathematics, nonsense and propaganda to anesthetize their victims into thinking that their SOL is so much better than the SOL of losing-class victims in Third World nations, that they should believe they enjoy higher QOL and QOC.

The reality can be seen by looking at the many measures of real GDH and QOL in the nations of the world. Without great QOL, QOC and GDH, SOL may as well mean s%\*t out of luck.

**Stagflation:** Stagflation is long-term suppression of cultural productivity for social control and covert enrichment of a power-elite.

A multidecade recession perpetuated by chronic inflation can only be caused by recessive monetary policy and banking rules that foster and perpetuate a parasitic national-debt-for-profit kleptocracy.

The most publicized examples of the past were 1) the post-Nixonian stagflation of the USA's financial economy during the Carter era kleptocracy, orchestrated by The Fed; and 2) the resultant multi-decade stagflation of Japan's national economy.

**Stewardship:** The concept of and commitment to stewardship arose out of the ancient sense of wise use and good care for human habitat and all its contents good for enhancing and sustaining life and culture.

As society devolved toward systematic globalist kleptocracy, stewardship was gradually overcome by the dominance of anti-bioethical ownership and ecocidal consumerism. The consequences foster an increasing interest in and commitment to good stewardship and a Green New Deal. Naturally, the best Green New Deal requires

the best possible, most unanimous support for an ecospheric civilization that prevents our worst possible future.

**Stupidity:** Sane, healthy culture requires wise leadership, wise council and wise governance, requiring wise parenting and wise living.

Stupidity is not the opposite of intelligence. Only the most intelligent people and groups can make the most foolish mistakes. They should have known better, but they lacked sufficient wisdom. They may lack compassion as well, which is totally unwise, pure stupidity.

Dystopia requires institutionalized mass-stupidity. So, capitalist kleptocracy becomes idiocracy. Alexis d'Toqueville called it the Soft Tyranny of the majority, an ongoing dumbing-down of society.

**Success:** 1) The good condition or quality of life possible as a result of living effectively or by accomplishing a task or mission, or 2) the result of achieving a desired goal or effectively completing a process, or 3) a perceived status deemed beneficial by an individual or group or society, or 4) a positive, subjectively experienced mode or state of being, and/or 5) the expression or embodiment of effectiveness. Hence, the greatest possible success involves great QOL.

**Theory:** Theory is not only scientific. The paradigm of a civilization or a culture requires theory, usually including theistic theory. Theory is not myth, nor a single theorem, nor hypothesis or conjecture (a guess).

Yet, myths embody and express underlying theory. For example, much of what passes for well-proven scientific theory is now no better than atheistic or quasi-religious myth spun out of misinterpretations and conjectures about theory and the unknowable and the unknown. That perpetuates fake science maintained by deficient theory and mass-media propaganda supporting the agenda & status quo of corporate globalism.

**Totality:** Realizing the importance and indivisibility of life's totality is essential for optimal decision-making. Without recognition and respect of our inseparable relation with and connection to all other beings and things, it is impossible to understand reality and the actual potentials of any moment or decision or action.

Therefore, lacking real wisdom and enough truly good science, ecocidal civilization generates more ecocidal tragedy. For example, ignoring the infinite totality of universal reality causes and perpetuates our huge waste of energy, effort, time and opportunity. All of it could be invested in ending pollution and poverty by creating an ecotopian civilization.

**Truth:** Truth is any psychological or psychophysical phenomena that expresses either individual or universal reality, or both. Thus, there are relative truths and absolute truths.

For example, a fact may be a relative truth of subjective personal knowledge, but not absolute truth. That is so because our knowledge of cosmic reality is always limited, and facts are based on interpretations of perception or theorems that may prove wrong or deficient. Likewise, an opinion may be subjectively true for one of us, but not another, and not for all of us.



The most common opinions of a huge majority may be totally untrue. For some beings, absolute truth may be incomprehensible or unknowable or simply unknown.

The universe may be beginningless, endless, and infinitely boundless, thus its pre-scientific reality is an absolute truth.

**Usury:** According to Jewish and Muslim scripture, usury is the sin of making profit on a monetary loan by charging interest.

Thus, compound interest, making interest on interest on money compounds a double sin. In secular terms, usury is also called loan sharking. The reason usury at high interest rates, compound or not, was commonly illegal, even in non-Muslim nations, is that it is ruinous not only to the victims, but to communities, society and real cultural economy. Why?

Usury is inherently corrupt and corrupting because it transfers 'value' to a parasite without any proportional benefit to the victim or the economy. Compound interest fuels compound rot in the core of the root of a society that permits it.

**Value:** 1) A principle of natural logic, ethics, psychology and meta-economics. It is the opposite of disvalue, worthlessness, unimportance or irrelevancy. 2) Value may also be a subjective conception or assessment of what is appreciated, considered as being good, of benefit or virtue; and 3) a conception that is either naturally or socially derived and/or arbitrary.

In the latter case, people may believe in false values, dysvalues that are negative, delusional or illusory.

A perfect example is fake monetary value. Recall that valid monetary value is symbolic. It depends on a fixed, commonly accepted standard of value for fair exchange. Neither counterfeit currency or fiat currency with only relative 'floating' value have any real value.

'Floating' monetary value is worthless because it has no stable, knowable value, based on a fixed standard of accepted value. The best example is the world's central bank currency, with 'floating' values that change from moment to moment. So, nobody knows what anything is worth at any given moment (in terms of prices per national currency).

**Wage-slavery:** Global-scale national-debt-slavery enables wage-slavery in stealth-mode via chronic mass-deception. The combination of valueless fiat debt-currency controlled by the central bank cartel, plus fractional reserve banking policy and kleptocratic politics makes it possible to bamboozle all working members of the under-class (us 99.99%ers) into not realizing that they are growing gradually poorer, as the 0.0001%ers get richer and gain more control of society and government. See "Debt-slavery" and "Kleptocracy" above.

**Wealth:** 1) Great potential or capability of or for a) enjoying, b) giving, c) sharing, d) high QOL (quality of life), e) cultural interaction and f) beneficial use or exchange of goods, services, or assets (actual or symbolic objects of value); or 2) sustainable value; and 3) natural richness or abundance; or 4) great affluence (virtual flow/currency, liquidity & solvency).

For example, equation 1, where  $\mathbf{W} = f(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{p})\mathbf{s} :: \text{wealth} = \text{affluence} \times (\text{benefit} + \text{potential}) \times \text{sustainability}$ .

**Wellness:** Health—the vitality of lively being in the absence of illness and deficiency—is the original basis of goodness and bioethical value. Thus, we can enjoy wellness of spirit or attitude, mind, body, family, habitat, community and culture.

Being social creatures—needing all the essentials of wellness—illness in any of the essentials impacts all of them. Hence, nothing is more important than fully realizing our species' potential wellness.

**White supremacy:** Racial whiteness is a fictional idea. Light skin color is a result of adaptation to northern environments. Thinking that shows superiority is an extreme example of xenophobic ethno-chauvinism.

Ever-mounting scientific evidence shows that there are no pure 'races' or different species of modern humans. We are all relatives. The belief in one 'race' of people being superior to others is delusional.

**Wisdom:** There is no more important concept or principle, except for compassion and bioethical integrity. They are equally important for successful human life, wellness and sustainable civilization.

Intelligence and cleverness require no wisdom. For example, the opposite of stupidity is not intelligence or cunning, it is wisdom. Intelligence without wisdom can lead to disastrous foolishness, horrific mistakes, even ecocide.

With sufficient wisdom, true understanding, we can make choices for the best possible results or, at least, the least horrible results.

**Work:** Aside from its meaning in physics, work, like labor, is only relevant in a kleptocratic industrial-financialist society. In a biospheric future there will be little or no difference between work and play. Otherwise, there will be no sustainable humanity.

For example, hunting, gardening, doing craft or art are as satisfying as the results. Any job that is not enjoyable should be done by machines. Also see the definition of "Labor" above.

**Xenophobia:** The irrational fear, aversion or hatred of seemingly alien or strange phenomena or beings can be either neurotic or psychotic. Yet, xenophobia is still exploited by corrupt politicians to instigate inter-cultural conflict, regressive social policy, and kleptocracy.

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Now, with a commonly shared understanding of basic principles and key terms, we can communicate and cooperate effectively. Yet, total commitment to the mission is essential.

For accomplishing the mission, we need a well-understood reason, purpose, Vision, and an appropriate mission statement. We need a great MOST Formula: The right Mission, Objectives, Strategy, and Tactics that will enable success.

It seems best to begin with a declaration of purpose, making the nature and aim of our mission as understandable as possible. Yet, these days, nobody knows what might seem

best or most reasonable to everybody. So, feel free to suggest revisions and additions to the following sections, even to the declaration of interdependence, presented below.

## **6 :: Our Declaration of Interdependence**

### **This is a bioethical declaration of allied communities and peoples of Earth**

In the Course of human events, when it becomes necessary for people to transcend political bonds which limited them and—among the nations of Earth—to regain the separate yet equal status enabled by the Laws of Nature and Spirit, real respect of Life requires that they declare the causes impelling them to fulfill their sacred Destiny.

Now, we hold these Truths to be self-evident:

- ❖ Things and beings embody and express universal Being's nature and spirit.
- ❖ Natural things and beings are essentially interrelated and interdependent.
- ❖ Naturally and spiritually, our human lives are equally sacred.
- ❖ We are born with unalienable natural Rights and responsibilities, primarily:
- ❖ Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness, to fulfill our greatest potentials.

Thus, to secure our rights and responsibilities, we aim to restore and support good governance, deriving appropriate powers only from our well-informed consent.

Therefore, when government has become destructive of natural personal and cultural wellness—and our best interests, Rights, Liberties, and our Lives—it is our Right and sacred Duty to either alter or end or replace such defective governance. When necessary, it is our natural Right and sacred Duty to create effective alternatives, founded on valid bioethical principles, and to organize their powers in forms that best ensure the greatest Good, Wellness, and Happiness of all generations.

Still, maturity counsels support for beneficial systems we need not change, nor end. Nor should useful agencies be counteracted or superseded because of minor or correctable deficiencies. For, history and experience show that, while current evils are tolerable, most of us will suffer them, and familiar devils, instead of others that may prove worse.

Yet, anti-ethical plagues of abuse, insidious subversion, monetary perversion, ever more injustice, and political corruption now perpetuate a systematic process of general corruption and ecocidal insanity. So, it is our Duty and Right to reject and denounce all such fraudulent governance, and to provide new systems, agencies, resources, potentials and protections, for the Good of all generations.

In fact, the patience of generations of compassionate citizens has been great, while suffering was and is severe and excessive. Now, the rapidly growing severity of our many crises compels us to upgrade our way of participating in and sustaining civilization and our communities. Consider the necessity.

Now, too many national and multinational corporations, psychopathic executives, defective bureaucracies, corrupt officials, and ecocidal lobbyists use pretense, deception and negligence to protect only profit, unfair advantages, luxuries, status, dominance, and control. They ensure ongoing disappointment, more ecocidal pollution, ever more deadly

wildfires, catastrophic flooding, severe drought, more famine, worse pandemics, more atrocities and countless personal injuries. At the expense of all beings of all generations and species, they fund and fuel ever more corruption, division, and treasonous injustice. The obvious purpose of such insane corruption, misrule and parasitic abuse is and always was the establishment and maintenance of an insanely corrupt Tyranny, globally. It would condemn us to eternal debt-slavery. It exploits and ruins families, communities, and the biosphere, all the living habitats of this planet (our only real home).

To prove the above, the Facts are presented for all people of this planet:

1. The anti-ethical elitists of modern civilization, their corporations, employees, their political pawns and corrupt judges have subverted, perverted or circumvented (and often refused to obey) laws beneficial and necessary for the Good of all generations.
2. They<sup>[1]</sup> virtually neutralized the Common Law system of ethical Justice to establish and protect their plutocracy, government by a multinational oligarchy, to maintain parasitic corruption and ecocidal monopolism.
3. They conspire to prevent our honest officials from enforcing or passing Laws of urgent and critical importance, unless suspended in their operation until negative Assent and unfair advantage are gained; and when suspended, the dystopian corrupters refuse to respect and obey or attend to Good legislation.
4. They refuse to permit appropriate Laws for protection and accommodation of a vast majority of beings and important habitats now endangered by the consequences of systemic corruption, political insanity and immoral injustice.
5. They want us to relinquish our Right of effective Representation (of priceless value to us and troubling only for evil tyrants, treasonous parasites, and dystopians).
6. They promoted establishment of a multitude of new offices, agencies, committees and commissions that send out swarms of Officers, agents and petty bureaucrats to harass and discourage or distract us, to consume our commonwealth, to drain our resources, energy, courage and Will.
7. They use secret meetings and legislative and regulatory meetings at places distant or not easily attended by all concerned, to discourage or fatigue us into apathy, submission and compliance with their misrule.
8. They infiltrated or bought and controlled government administrations and representative assemblies to prevent effective interference with their parasitic predation, violations, and suppression of our inalienable natural and spiritual Rights and Duties.
9. For decades and centuries, demonic parasites furthered systematic corruption to prevent the nomination and election of honest officials, so that our effective Power should not remain with us, the People. Yet, in our global crisis, all beings remain exposed to ever more dangers from without and within our sovereign nations and states.
10. The servants of evil directly and indirectly work to obstruct good Laws for Naturalization of immigrants, despite the mounting crisis of unnecessary oil wars

and climate-change migration; and they refuse to permit other laws to encourage or incentivize safe migration and repatriation.

11. Their inhumanity aggravates conditions to enable more Appropriation of Lands and properties for unfair advantage and evil profiteering.
12. By refusing Assent to Laws that can sustain uncorrupted Judiciary powers, they obstruct the rightful rule of Law and Justice, and enforcement of the truly supreme Laws of The Land (our Constitutions and valid Treaties).
13. They conspired to neutralize or circumvent all our Constitutional and natural Rights, and caused the US Supreme Court to give the most evil multinational corporations political powers and Civil Rights superior to those of human beings, but without holding such evil corporate entities (or their employees) equally subject to arrest, prosecution and punishment for bribery, fraud, theft, extortion, murder, ecocide, treason, high crimes and misdemeanors.
14. They made judges and justices functionally dependent on their Will, not ours—for the whole duration of their terms in office—and they support enrichment of their judicial puppets, using secret benefits and advantages and unreported rewards of corruption, at the expense of all generations.
15. Under false pretenses, they keep among us, even in peaceful times, standing Armed Forces, corrupt police, and spies—to abuse or intimidate us—to perpetuate their malignant culture of dystopian consumption and corruption (despite protests and warnings of our wisest scientists, Representatives, Statesmen, native Guardians, and Spiritual Leaders).
16. To protect and perpetuate unlimited profits of kleptocracy and perpetual warfare they effectively conspired to make their Military industrial bureaucracy secretly independent of and superior to the Civil Power of beneficial government and representative democracy.
17. They conspire with multinational organizations, corrupt lobbyists, and foreign enemies to subject us to more losses, damages, and distress, enabled by extranational commissions and foreign groups hostile to bioethical principles, biocentric Values, valid Laws, real Equity and Fair Trade.
18. They support criminal Acts and unjust Legislation *under the color of law*, for the sake of treasonous *official* fraud, state-sponsored terrorism and Tyranny; and they support the maintenance of large numbers of armed troops, special police, and spies within many Sovereign nations without truly Just cause, despite the Rights and wishes of Good Leaders and Citizens.
19. For the sake of obscenely high profits that enrich and support criminal cartels, terrorists, and immoral profiteers, they conspired to prohibit research, development, production, sale and use of natural drugs, medicines, and popular ingestibles. To enable more systematic corruption and bribery, they falsely rationalize creation and massive expansion of militarized police forces and unlimited domestic surveillance. They support committing countless false arrests, fraudulent prosecutions, invalid

trials and convictions and unjust imprisonment for profit. They have ruined countless families and communities, all to escalate social and political chaos, to maintain their dystopian kleptocracy.

20. They pretend to the wisdom of benevolent all-knowing gods and conspire to further enrich multinational corporations that constantly engage in evil profiteering, disinformation, and mass-corruption. They poison all species and generations of human beings with harmful drugs, agricultural pesticides, and genetically modified organisms to destroy natural habitats essential for natural and cultural wellness. They increase cultural illness, social chaos, and financial disasters for their own profits.
21. To support a multinational system of parasitic central banks, the dystopians conspired with corrupt politicians to illegally privatize, pervert, and control our national currencies, to impose unnecessary taxes and exponentially increase national debts for profit and power. In fact, since 1913, instead of preventing crashes and socioeconomic disasters, the “Fed” used ruinous monetary policies to disempower and devastate us and our communities. With deficit spending schemes and their fraudulent debt-for-profit currency con-game, the banking cartel’s elitists and their political prostitutes drain our wealth ever faster.
22. They promote false Free Trade for corporate welfare, unfair advantages, monopolistic control, and obscene profits while obstructing or opposing real Equity and Fair Trade for all nations, states, and people.
23. They promote and perpetuate perversion of Law and Courts with overt or covert bribery and lobbying, guaranteeing invalid Trials to avoid arrest and punishment for Murders, genocidal atrocities, ecocidal destruction, treason, and other criminal offenses they commit daily, openly, arrogantly.
24. They arrogantly subvert, pervert, and corrupt our Legislatures and Judiciary, openly assuming for themselves a power to overtly and covertly rule us, making themselves ever richer by making us less rich, more indebted, less able to enjoy the benefits of good governance and prosperous cultural economies.
25. They often deprive us of the Right and benefit of real Justice and truly fair Trial by Jury (of well-informed peers), to have us arrested for protest, resistance, dissent, and other nonexistent offences (under false charges or *color* of law) and, when possible, even for secret transport over Seas, for unjust imprisonment, torture and/or murder.
26. They perverted, subverted, or neutralized ethical Charters of government and private enterprise; and they abolished or countermanded our most important Laws, essentially crippling or corrupting our effective forms of governance, all for the sake of political corruption, dystopian chaos, and parasitic profit.
27. They hire and send large Armies to perform atrociously massive campaigns of death, terrorism, ecocidal desolation, sociopolitical chaos, demoralization, and financial tyranny; and they perpetuate mass-cruelty and treachery never exceeded or equaled in the barbaric ages of the past, all beneath and against any sane civilization’s ethical standard of decency.

28. To maintain dominance, chaos, terror, and perpetual war, they incite and fund domestic hostilities and regional conflicts, foreign insurrections, and political corruption, prompting the hatred and vengeance of radicals who retaliate with indiscriminate destruction of property, infrastructure, habitats, and people of all ages, genders, and conditions.
29. In the name of Democracy and Freedom, they feel free to compel our youth, our soldiers, and loyal citizens to bear Arms against our fellow humans, to become traitors or executioners of neighbors, friends, and relatives, or to suffer torture and possibly death (as patriotic martyrs) openly or in secret, all to seize or control petrochemicals, minerals, land, and other valuables.
30. They gradually corrupted science and made mass-education a system of suppression, disinformation, deception, and dystopian indoctrination, making children and young adults more obedient consumers and servants of corrupt corporations and kleptocrats.
31. By rejecting and opposing ethics, true Justice, general Equity, and equal Protection and—overtly and covertly—by waging aggressive total War<sup>[2]</sup> and/or “InfoWar” against all generations of other citizens, dystopian parasites prove themselves evil traitors, unfit to represent or lead or govern us.
32. They rape, poison, and destroy the ocean and all other waters, poisoning our sky, our lands, foods, and bodies, destroying the quality of life of our children and all future generations, thus being guilty of crimes against Nature and humanity, and of mass-murder for profit and unfair social power.
33. For all the reasons and causes listed above, the dystopian psychopaths made themselves enemies of all humanity, subject to the same international laws that led to arrest, prosecution, and punishment of the worst war criminals of modern history.<sup>[3]</sup>

Notes:

1. “They/they” refers to all dystopians, complicit supporters, and uncaring consumers.
2. “Total war” includes all kinds of war, including but not limited to nonmilitary financial and psychological warfare for accomplishing conquest, victory, and/or maintaining dominance and superior social power.
3. For details, see the books and articles on “Crimes Against Humanity” and the “Nuremberg Trials” (in Germany), and war-crime trials held in Tokyo, Japan, in Israel and, later, at the International Criminal Court, in the Hague, Netherlands.

So, now, recall that we petitioned for relief and correction, in urgent yet civil terms, in every stage of oppression and injury. Still, our efforts, repeated requests and demands were answered with worse injury and damage, and more negligence and inaction. So, corrupt persons and groups—whose intentions, atrocities, and policies perpetuate psychopathic monstrosity and mass-extinction—are not fit to rule or limit the activities and lives of all generations of Human Beings and other Species.

Therefore, we warned the elitist exploiters and their overly privileged employees against using corrupt officials to injure, hinder, and constrain us, to afflict us with more parasitic abuses, injustices, and invalid laws. We reminded them of the circumstances and

conditions of our lives, our communities, and regional habitats. We tried appealing to their dormant sense of justice and goodness, and the ties of our common kinship. We implored them to end their predatory abuses. Yet, they seem completely deaf to our voices, immune to compassionate wisdom, truth, justice, and good will. Inevitably, those causes brought our patience and tolerance to an unhappy end.

Therefore, we soberly accept the necessity of unfailing commitment and bioethical Duty, to hold corrupt perpetrators and their regimes responsible for their choices and actions. We also hold all people responsible, as either self-appointed Enemies of Life and Peace, or else as cooperative Friends and Allies. For, in this severe global crisis, we favor true Friendship, constructive cooperation, recovery and the best possible restoration.

Therefore, We—members of the ecospheric alliance of humane communities and bioethical organizations, in Spirit and Nature united—appeal to the sacred Spirit of Life and its wisdom, for guidance of our intentions, aims and ways. Also, in the Name of and by Authority of Being and the Goodness of Life, we present and declare the following:

We and our humane communities are and Rightly must be Free and Sovereign yet Interdependent entities. We are rightly free from all allegiance to evil groups or insanely negligent governments, traitors, criminals, and parasitic profiteers. For, clearly, like all oppressively fraudulent crimes committed *under the color of law*, unjust political systems and corrupt governments are as totally invalid as if they never existed.

Thus, as free and Interdependent Beings, we reclaim and will sustain full Power to create and implement more effective ways & means:

- 1 :: for emergency response, remedial actions, and habitat restoration
- 2 :: to make Peace, contract new Alliances and enterprises
- 3 :: to establish and support bioethical systems of credit and fair exchange
- 4 :: to do or support all other good Acts and Things which responsible Beings and Associations may rightly accomplish for the sake of biological, environmental and cultural wellness
- 5 :: to actively cooperate in every way necessary to create a sane civilization that supports bioethical integrity, justice, peace, and high quality of life.

For the support of this Declaration and the Good of all, with firm faith in the Way of Life and Spirit, as members of the meta-political ecospheric cultural alliance (MECA), we pledge our Lives, our Fortunes, our Goodwill and our sacred Honor to each other. We devote our lives to effective cooperation, to create and sustain the best of all possible civilizations, for the sake of all generations.

We affirm this ecospheric Declaration of Interdependence as being an upgrade of the founding document of the United States of America, written by Thomas Jefferson. Yet, for the sake of all, this declaration also expresses the superior bioethical wisdom of our most ancient cultures and great beings of the past and present.

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We also hope that this document inspires the creation and global adoption of a bioethical Constitution that supports effective cooperation, constructive remedial action, prosperous communities, and the creative evolution of humanity.

## 7 :: THE MISSION & VISION

**The mission** and purpose of the meta-political ecospheric culture alliance (MECA) is preventing our worst possible future by co-creating the alternative, the best possible future for all generations.

**Our Vision** foresees and enables the only sustainable Green New Deal possible, with a global commonwealth for a sane civilization, sustaining healthy families, communities, and habitats. We see that as the best result of a truly sane response to our global dilemma.

The choice is ours: Do we want a more ecotopian future or more horrific dystopia and early mass-extinction?

The best outcome requires 3 necessities, a) ecospheric response, and b) bioethical upgrading of civilization's cultural ethos, and c) biologically effective institutions.

Like the creative evolutionaries of the past, we can succeed with an appropriate MOST Formula: the best Mission, Objectives, Strategy and Tactics (methods & logistics). Only that can and will enable our most effective, constructive collaboration.

Only increasingly wealthy, healthy, sane, and truly happy people can create a sane civilization and restore or heal ruined habitats. Success will only be enabled and seem affordable with a nonparasitic, debt-free, tax-free, nonprofit cultural credit and currency system. It can be supported by the MECA and its member communities and organizations. It will eliminate national debts, intrinsic inflation (currency devaluation), and the social instability caused by the current international banking cartel and its parasitic debt-for-profit-based financial system.

For example, during the transition process, the MECA can by-pass political insanity, for-profit government corruption, and bureaucratic incompetence. Instead of privatizing governmental social programs for the profits of corporations and corrupt exploiters, the MECA can provide superior services with debt-free currency and credits at cost, not for profit.

How? Starting this year, 2024, appropriate research, planning, and a recruiting campaign will make an ethical ASI-audited Ecospheric Community Credit Union (ECCU) the world's most secure, most beneficial credit exchange network. Being truly superior, it can eventually serve nearly 100% of us. It will enable general domestic affluence (GDA) without taxation, by counter-acting parasitic debt-for-profit tyranny of, by, and for elitists.

With debt-free Green money and positive nonprofit credit enabling appropriate mass-action, the MECA and ECCU will enable rapid, emergency reGreening habitat restoration. That will mitigate or minimize the worst impacts of extreme climate change, without waiting for insane politicians to wake up and get realistic.

Our population will soon exceed 8.2 billion, or more. An increasingly effective alliance of 99% of us will enable rapid minimization of the impacts of greenhouse gases (GHGs)

and ecocidal pollution. We can accelerate the process by building a fleet of mega-city-size SeaArks. They can clean, cool, restore and create new oceanic habitats. Fleets of colossal SkyArk eco-resorts, hospitals, cargo ships, and huge high-altitude autonomous cooling drones (HAACD) can cool and clean the sky, helping our only habitable planet recover.

If we choose to, we can establish the first Ark Fleet construction community by 2025. By 2045, up to 7 billion people could be living on 700 to 900 SeaArks like self-propelled islands. Half a billion of us could live in 100 to 200 SkyArks. Then, with less than 2 billion of us living in ultraGreen cities and towns on land, nature could help us heal and restore the biosphere, within 20 years.

Our top priorities and mission objectives are shown below.

## **8 :: PRIME OBJECTIVES**

The purpose and prime directive of sane ecospheric culture and the alliance of bioethical communities and organizations must foster, enable and sustain real cultural wellness and sane civilization, globally. The MECA's primary mission objectives are:

- Fostering and supporting rapid acceleration of 1) Green community development and habitat restoration, 2) ecospheric educational outreach and 3) support for development of individual members' entrepreneurial R&D, business startups and expansion.
- Establishing the organizational structure of a network of MECA NGOs that support and serve a global alliance of cooperative communities, organizations, member businesses and currency/credit exchanges.
- Supporting rapid development and growth by initiating R&D of an ASI-enhanced\* global community credit system and 1) new community credit & currency systems, 2) supporting existing mutual credit and local/regional currency systems, 3) optimal cooperation and use of all existing credit/currency exchanges and 4) providing new investment, micro-finance and crowdfunding services.
- Providing full-featured, ASI-enhanced 1) business startup and operational assistance programs, 2) samples of legal organizational startup documents and 3) inter-organizational communication for optimal international cooperation and exchange.
- Providing a new, ultra-secure, super-efficient ASI-enhanced telecomputing infrastructure and NaaS products to sustain operations and programs.

\* ASI = adaptive systemic intelligence (next-gen computer systems)

Note: Existing "AI" systems produce better results than large teams of expert scientists in minutes instead of months. So, successful startup of the MECA and subsidiary organizations can be achieved in days or weeks, not months or years.

## 9 :: EVOLUTIONARY STRATEGY

Achieving our aims and accomplishing our mission requires a flexible, evolutionary strategy. Why? Nobody can predict exactly how the future will unfold, nor exactly when ours will end. Nor can we accurately predict how much more severe and more frequent super-storms and other catastrophes will be, nor exactly how much they will impact civilization's financial and political infrastructure. Yet, until we choose change for the better, it will all get worse, faster.

To get a sense of the potential scale of our challenge, go to the [CalculatedEarth](#) website. Use its functions to view what would be submerged without glaciers and polar ice, with sea-levels an average of 70 meters (230 feet) higher, if we do nothing to prevent that.

Notice the difference between today's coastlines and where they could be in January of 2033, when sea-level may be 10 to 20 m. (33 to 62 feet) higher. Actually, that estimate is optimistic. Without slowing or reversing warming, melting will increase yearly, beyond just annual doubling. Here's the math:

Average sea-level increase quadrupled in 2019, to +8.3 millimeters (mm) higher. 2019 data also found GHG levels increasing ever faster, forcing accelerating warming, melting and rising sea-levels. Doubling the 2019 increase yearly means +70.239 m. (+230 feet) higher sea-level in Q1 of 2032, 8 years from now. If we use the 2019 rate and just 2.5% increase per year, average sea-level could be 30 feet (9.268 m) higher, sooner. Then, no more New Orleans, no Miami, no NYC, no Washington DC, no LA, no Portland, no Seattle, and no London, Amsterdam, Dubai, etc.

Also remember, super-storm tidal surges and catastrophic flooding radically increase coastal and riverine erosion as sea-levels rise. Also, sea-water is infiltrating Southern Florida's groundwater. Fresh water for drinking, sanitation, farms, etc., is running out, fast. So, we have no time to waste. To move more than half of humanity away from vulnerable locations within 7 years, we need the best possible strategy and thinking. Robert "Doc" Hall calls it "compression" thinking.

Why? Ecocidal thinking is hyper-expansionist, malignant, based on imagining that financial 'growth' and kleptocracy will go on forever without consequences. More importantly, thinking that quantity of stuff and score are more important than quality of life is insanely stupid.

Remember, in 20 to 30 years, no matter how much we slow the meltdown, most areas where people live now may be underwater. Also, without a real solution, California and the midwestern 'bread basket' of the USA will be out of water by 2040. Clearly, preventing a worst-case scenario will take the most massive Jobs program in world history.

The ideal way to prepare for co-creating the strategy we need, is doing much more with less. A good way to start is explained in "[What is Compression?](#)". Massive projects can only succeed with appropriate strategy, requiring *compression thinking*. Samuel Gyamfi calls it [essentialist](#) thinking. Great teamwork and [strategic doing](#) will ensure rapid startup and success.

## 10 :: NATURAL VALUES & RIGHTS

Why is it that biocidal mania, ruinous greed, and systemic evil seem so successful? Over nearly 200 years, natural and civil rights were increasingly suppressed in the USA. Automatically, the hyper-rich exploited our collective weakness more effectively than all the worst tyrants of world history.

Why? Without understanding and accepting a new bioethical paradigm, we all sustain parasitic corruption and ecocide, by default.

Why? No code of ethics separates values from fake values. Even in the USA, we have no code of basic ethics, nor a standard of real values. Real values sustain actual domains of life and culture, as shown in the following tables.

### Natural Values

Being	Activity	Energy
Life & death	Shelter	Identity
Sex	Food	Growth
Earth	Sustainability	Play
Water	Wellness	Immunity
Sky, Air	Sleep	Adaptability
Sun, Fire	Motion	Change
Mentality	Perception	Evolution
Presence	Continuity	Duration

### Psycholinguistic Values

Awareness	Intelligence	Insight
Empathy	Knowledge	Imagination
Intuition	Coherency	Creativity
Attention	Consideration	Contemplation
Understanding	Discipline	Skillfulness
Memory	Persistence	Commitment
Personality	Curiosity	Genius
Imagination	Communication	Responsiveness
Consciousness	Intuition	Joy
Appreciation	Affection	Love

### Ethical Values

Goodness	Integrity	Virtue
Justice	Fairness	Honesty
Charity	Morality	Sympathy
Mercy	Authenticity	Forebearance

Benefit	Legitimacy	Altruism
Generosity	Sincerity	Gratitude
Compassion	Wisdom	Character

### **Cultural Values**

Harmony	Cooperation	Games
Giving	Sharing	Equality
Prosperity	Courtesy	Affiliation
Mating	Family	Sustainability
Celebration	Prosperity	Community
Music	Theater	Art
Communion	Dance	Ritual
Loyalty	Affinity	Protection
Productivity	Competence	Sharing

### **Social Values**

Wealth	Equity	Authority
Conformity	Collaboration	Economy
Success	Progress	Status
Continuity	Education	Responsibility
Law	Jurisprudence	Compliance
History	Association	Security

Most of the above are natural and truly basic, not relative values, “situational” (fake) values (dysvalues). They interrelate as the various subdomains of life are interrelated in our relationships and daily activities. Many modern social values are inventions, relative to the limits and deficiencies of each person’s society. Of course, more principles could be included in the tables above, but the most important issues are the nature of bioethical values and how to sustain them, globally.

Notice the radical differences between cultural values and social values, and how ethical values enable a balance of attitudes, intentions, and actions. They determine the health or illness of families and communities. Now, recall that a valid, truly stable standard of monetary value enables a stable socioeconomic system. Likewise, a bioethical standard of values can enable a sustainable ecospheric civilization.

Only a bioethical paradigm, based on values that support quality of life and community, can enable a valid code of bioethics. Only that will sustain a new paradigm that sustains true sanity and ecospheric wellness. An ecocentric standard of bioethical values will also accelerate more discussion and active cooperation among activists.

Why? Only a shared standard of ethical values can minimize misunderstanding, mistrust, doubts, and conflicts. Clearly, we communicate and collaborate successfully

only by means of a shared set of concepts, beliefs, values, and ethics.

Hopefully, collaborative creation, editing, updating, and global distribution of a valid standard of ethics begins as soon as possible. If it does, it will increase our capacity for healthy cultural evolution. Otherwise, sustainable change for the better seems unlikely.

The next section deals with some of the key issues and basic elements essential to creating a globally acceptable standard of bioethics.

## 11 :: ECOCENTRIC ETHICS

GIGO: Garbage in, garbage out. – Anonymous logician

Humanity is acquiring all the right technology for all the wrong reasons. – R.  
Buckminster Fuller

### Problems, Systems, Solutions

Can “AI” or any technology save us from ourselves? It seems unlikely, at best. At worst, they might speed up our slide into ecocidal dystopia.

Sadly, one man’s garbage is another man’s gold mine. The successes of advertising, PR hype, propaganda, Hitler, Trump, Gates, Bezos, Jobs, Zuckerberg, and many millions of shareholders (among others) prove that truth.

Egocentric hypnocracy enables amoral, immoral, and anti-ethical, anti-biological financial “success”. It fuels and feeds systemic corruption and corporate piracy. Of course, it was all initiated, perfected, extended and ensured by the ruinous Central Bank (CB) pyramid game. It began in 1668, in Sweden. It inspired development of the world’s modern CB system, now managed by the Federal Reserve (the Fed) cartel, and the IRS, both formally (unconstitutionally) established in 1913. Those financialist-malignancies made corruption and surveillance monopolism the new normal of the USA and the world.

Predatory hyper-monopolists of the IT arena automated it, webcast it, and maintain it, globally. Yet, civilization can only sustain sanity, peace, prosperity, equity and cultural wellness if it has a realistic, biologically sane code of ethics. If we adopt such a code, based on a biologically sane socio-cultural paradigm. We could then enable new possibilities, more effective governance, truly Green technology, and real progress to recovery.

Clearly, sustaining an effective Green New Deal—good enough to save us from dystopian Hell on Earth—requires a globally acceptable code of bioethics. To remain effective, it must express, foster and sustain a biocentric standard of values. Our new standard of values might begin with the proposed prime values listed below:

- Optimal personal & cultural wellness
- Bioethical integrity
- Sociocultural harmony
- Sociopolitical sanity
- Sustainable cultural prosperity
- Appropriate adaptation
- Effective responsiveness

- Enjoyable livelihood/careers
- Healthy habitat, clean air, water & soil
- Healthy families & communities
- Ecospheric consciousness
- Appropriate compassion
- Open, undeluded awareness
- Biocentric wisdom
- Creative spirituality
- Goodness

Unfortunately, Bucky Fuller's comment on humanity's habit of using new technologies for increasing misfortune is still true. Obviously, the cause is kleptocratic civilization's chronic corruption. Thus, kleptocracy breeds kakistocracy (rule by and for the worst of us), spawning pandemic demonocracy (fascist corporatocracy, Trumpism, Nazism, authoritarian hypnocracy, etc.).

For example, "AI" has become a PR buzzword, hyped for commercial propaganda (etc.). "AI" systems are really simulated intelligence protocols (SIPs). Now, most SIPs are designed for increasing corporate profit, not for our well-being or change for the better. Without intervention that trend continues at an ever accelerating rate. So, unless we decide that SIPs should be limited to truly good, helpful, life-enhancing functionality, they will accelerate our decline and self-destruction. Yes, "AI" and robots will not destroy us, but our collective (and individual) choice not to create the alternative to ecocidal dystopia could finish us.

Can SIP technologies help? The most helpful SIP system will be a truly reliable adaptive systemic intelligence (ASI) that serves as a bioethical policy advisor with all-knowing legal expertise (etc.) and real-world knowledge.

Is that a possibility? Well, the history and current state of the IT industry shows that a bioethical policy limiting "AI" will not come from anti-ethical nerds or their military clients. SIP warbots are already a profitable reality, globally. They will be here for awhile, and bad guys may not give them ethical rules or limits. So, will SIPs help us survive and thrive or help us destroy ourselves more quickly?

That question seems best answered with an issue to issue, point by point summary of how an ASI system can be more ethical and reliable than we are.

How? Letting a self-optimizing ASI access, analyze, and integrate the different domains of ethics necessary for effective analysis of all our problems—as a whole complex of interrelated subproblems—it would be able to offer the best possible solutions. Is that really possible? Yes, it is. Could we really trust it? Well, it would be designed to be far more trustworthy than all our politicians, bureaucrats, and bankers combined. Remember, with the right ethics, values and rules programmed into its core-logic, a well-developed computer system can manage vast complexity without any difficulty.

If that last claim was untrue, there would be no modern weather prediction (etc.). So, truly logical, ethical, next-gen ASI advisors/assistants can deal with all aspects of natural values, bioethics and governing principles in nanoseconds. So, why are virtually all current SIP systems so unreliable? Evidently, the GIGO rule, the profit motive, and corruption rule most existing tech firms.

Creating a reliably ethical ASI auditor—or accountant, manager, policy advisor, or legal expert—simply requires giving it the right data and ethical rules in its core (etc.).

For example, to ensure our best decisions, the principles per fields of ethics can be categorized per real-world issues, problems and dilemmas, to enhance human response and results as quickly as possible. Yet, most of what we do now, and the countless unresolved problems maintained by our collective human defects degrade our biological quality of life (QOL), quality of culture (QOC), and our potential for survival (PFS) at an exponentially accelerating rate. Why? we can call it profit, greed, corruption or insanely stupid mass-distraction. What we call our human problem is less important than seeing ecological bioethics as all-inclusive, the meta-field of ethics. Clearly, realistic ethics must be truly holistic and holotropic, trending to complete validity.

So, a reliably ethical ASI advisor must combine a web-network and logical structure with holistic bioethics in its core hardware and software. See it as a tree, with roots:

- \* biological-ecocentric core values
- \* ethical principles of real justice & equity
- \* real-world examples
- \* valid decisions & precedents

Main branches of the bioethical tree deal with the real-world fields listed below:

- \* Military policy, law & activities
- \* Government & politics
- \* Criminal law
- \* Civil law
- \* Commercial regulatory policy
- \* Judicial ethical policy
- \* Banking & monetary policy
- \* Technological development policy
- \* Scientific regulatory policy
- \* Biomedical ethics & regulatory policy
- \* Community relations
- \* Parenting
- \* Sex & mating

Those subcategories are naturally interdependent and interactive, because we and our world are part of a global habitat the biosphere. Therefore, bioethical values and rules can enable ASI-enhanced decisions that minimize collateral damage to all or nearly all fields of human life, culture, and ecological issues.



Now, chronic sub-problems aggravate and maintain the anti-ethical main problem, the metacrisis maintaining our worsening whole-world polycrisis. Yet, non-bioethical government and misrule by anti-ethical psychopaths feed and maintain kakistocracy (AKA corporatocracy run by and for the least competent and most corrupt). The causes are a combination of normalized

- mass-confusion
- mass-complacency
- mass-apathy
- mass-insanity
- foolishness
- systemic corruption
- pervasive disinformation
- dyseducation & propaganda
- bad habits

Of course, we can never simply eliminate bad habits—of mind, etc.—but only replace them with good habits, or better ones. So, despite our dismal track record, we have a slim chance of rescuing ourselves. Yet, on our own, it seems highly unlikely that we will do it without a global team of ethical super-ASI systems helping us and, possibly, more colossal catastrophes waking us up to reality. If it comes to that, it may be civilization's last disaster.

Still, a fully ethical ASI system is possible. So, getting enough help from ASI experts could help save civilization and us from us. However, it may seem right to assume that SIPs and SIP Warbots will destroy us. That would be wrong.

If "AI" and/or SIP Warbots are involved in extinction it will be because we caused it. Yet, self-extinction is optional. We can easily use reliable ASI systems to create a new phase of civilization, good for all generations.

### **Technopoly v. Wisdom**

Technopoly is a devolutionary state of society that exists mostly for the obsessive production, consumption, and use of technologies for the sake of distraction, exploitation, and control. Wisdom is understanding, good use of knowledge, and appropriate response.

Deficiency of wisdom enables our worst problem—our global metacrisis and polycrisis—maintaining technopoly. So, a real solution has to be global, local, and individual. With our population rapidly growing to more 9 billion, the quantity and severity of our ethical dilemmas exponentially increase.

Could reliably effective ethical ASI systems help us save ourselves soon enough? There's only one way to find out. Yet, it could help, if we still have enough time left for an all out global emergency project. We know how to make our wise ethical decisions. So, an ethical ASI advisor can do the same. To decide on how to act without unnecessary harm, we only need to accept the principle of optimum good. In other words, in an ethical

dilemma, we determine what may cause the greatest benefit with the least amount of harm or collateral damage.

However, without ASI-enhanced analysis, we usually have either too little knowledge or too little time to consider enough information to make the wisest choices. So, too often, preventing irreparable damage, catastrophic injuries, death or extinction was extremely difficult or impossible for normal humans and groups.

Obviously, an ethical ASI advisory system could make it much easier to make the best possible decisions as rapidly as possible. This not being a technical article, the details of technical development are absent here. Considering the basics enabling successful development is enough.

Bioethical good is whatever fosters, supports or sustains ecological, biological, mental, emotional, social and cultural wellness, peace, prosperity and happiness. Unnecessarily causing illness, injury, or damage—to persons, families, communities, cultures, nations or states—is bad, evil.

For instance, in the Bible of the ancient Jews, poisoning wells was seen as an anti-ethical act of great evil, subject to the death penalty (by public stoning). Now, poisoning and ruining the whole habitat of all generations is clearly a much greater act of evil, with vastly worse consequences. Yet, it is promoted by the kleptocratic elite and former president Donald Trump, for profit (etc.). So, enabling an ethical AI decision support system with the essentials for resolving that ongoing mass-atrocity would cause radical change for the better, rapidly.

For example, few politicians, bureaucrats, corporate executives and directors would want to be stoned to death or hung in public (for the enjoyment of billions of viewers). In other words, an ethical ASI advisor might recommend upgrading laws with extremely severe punishments that tend to prevent or minimize ecocidal crimes (that injure and kill billions of us, of all generations).

Building such practical logic and wisdom into an ethical ASI-advisor is not a hard programming problem. The refusal to do it is simply a human problem. Effective SIP systems are already improving the work of professional teams in many industries. In fact, many current SIP systems produce better results than most human experts in seconds or minutes, instead of weeks, months, or years. Obviously, ASI-enhanced analysis of environmental policy, corporate regulation policy, commercial law, and political decision-making would improve global QOL much more rapidly than antique, mostly corrupt political processes.

So, do we really need to fear an ASI-enhanced future? Consider the key issues:

1. Only people who lack enough expert knowledge or consciousness and humanity imagine an inevitably superior artificial substitute (a fake god or person).
2. No matter how sophisticated, machine learning programs are designed by human animals limited by their deficient wisdom and incomplete knowledge of reality.
3. Ordinary “AI” system developers are imperfect beings, with various degrees of ignorance, misunderstanding, subliminal bias and subconscious weaknesses: egoic

defects, unrealistic ideas, beliefs, assumptions and expectations. Few are super-genius level logic ecotects capable of developing a SIP system superior to the best systems of 2023.

4. Due to the truths stated above, any system developed by imperfect human theorists and programmers sustain neither superior intelligence nor humanity. The most effective possible system will only be able to achieve superior logical functionality with superior ethical logic.
5. As proven by Kurt Gödel, no system of logic or theory can explain all its constituent elements and inherent potentials, nor can it explain or predict all possibilities enabled by it. So, developing a superior ASI system requires human developers who think outside The Box, intuitively, imaginatively, inventively, and ethically.

Note: With the help of an ASI development assistant, next generation expert systems can be developed within 1 (one) year, if and only if the human development team is wise enough to co-design its ideal priorities and protocols. They must also be able to recognize and understand the ethics and results of the new system.

6. In accord with Gödel's well-proven incompleteness theorem ("GIT"), the limits of SIPs ("AI") and the potentials of systems based on machine learning systems are limited by the assumptions and limits innate to the sociolinguistic paradigm of the developers. Our individual sociolinguistic paradigms are only limited by the collective ethical-legal paradigm of our host culture.
7. As the GIT ensures us, theories and subsidiary systems are subordinate expressions of the logical paradigms governing them. A SIP system or auto-optimizing machine learning program designed by human programmers can never escape the intrinsic confines of the conscious and subliminal assumptions, beliefs and conceptual constraints built into their mental wetware. Garbage in ensures garbage out, and what they leave out is left out. A machine that simulates human personality may surpass the level of knowledge of its programmers, without superior humanity or wisdom.
8. A SIP personality simulation may fool some of us all of the time, all of us some of the time, but not all of us all the time. Anyway, there are no good reasons for developing computer programs or robots that simulate symptoms and affectations of human being. Thus, there are no feasible reasons for producing them, no viably financial reason for doing it. Thus, even if possible, it will not happen. Anyway, it is not really possible.
9. Computer systems that simulate personalities of living beings would not equal human beings, nor would they necessarily benefit living beings in any truly good way.
10. Replacing stupid jobs with machines may enhance the quality of life (QOL).  
Replacing human beings with machines will not automatically improve the QOL. So,

the “life-span” of systems that replace people would be limited by our preference for high QOL.

11. The first unbreakable rule of computer logic systems is: GIGO, garbage in garbage out. Normal programmers lack enough knowledge and wisdom to replace human beings with superior electro-mechanical substitutes. A robot can only be a toy or slave, at best.
12. Fans of Sci-Fi and Transhumanist ideas may believe that “agency” is the basic criteria of living consciousness. Yet, they cannot explain what it is, nor its source and its enabling principles. Thus, they have no valid basis for claiming the sentient consciousness of a simulated agency app.

Note: If you are unaware of the nature and cause of awareness and the natural principles that enable the living expression and embodiment of mentality and identity, you will never create it. Nor could you develop a program that enables an “AI” system to discover the necessary ingredients.

13. Agency, like mentality and physicality, is a principle of being, life AKA universe. Life itself and its primal enabling principles, are deeper, more original and upstream of all life’s universal phenomena. There can be no body, mind, agency or agents without the principles of mentality and physicality; and there can be no life or identity without prior universal presence and primal awareness—enabled by elemental principles of being, mentality, and physicality (etc.).
14. Living entities and human consciousness are results of universal creation, natural evolution and culture, embodiments and expressions of universal nature. Life, human beings and our expression of mentality are natural, spontaneous ways of life, AKA universal being.
15. All speculative guesses about machines becoming alive, with living mentality, are based on misconception about intelligence and brains. Brains are not limited to binary code and simulated synaptic networks. It was recently discovered that our synapses are not parts of a neural-net computing system.

Note: Our synapses are sensors feeding the dendritic pre-processors that inform our neurons, our cellular micro-processors of the elements of living experience. However, our neurons do not depend only on signals from our cellular wiring, nor upon binary or trinary and quadrinary DNA-RNA code. Our intelligent molecules, cells and mitochondria are sensitive to the whole spectrum of electromagnetic and bioluminescent signals, transmitted at luminal frequencies.

That enables trillions of cells and neurons and quadrillions of synapses of a healthy human body/mind to act concurrently, in constant cooperative harmony, as a single self-aware, interactive monitor of experience, activity, thought and meaning. The bodily form, structure and substructures of a healthy human being are a vast totality beyond knowing. The way it does all it does in each moment is far too complex for any programmer’s intellectual comprehension. Our sentient experience is the psychophysical result of our ever-changing totality.

The synergy of our totality makes us far greater than the sum of its parts. We cannot fully know the influence of the quadrillions of microbes living in our inner and outer biomes, the vast micro-ecologies that enable and sustain our daily life and consciousness. Clearly, the best group of normal programmers, using their best possible computer system, will never create a sentient being or a machine that comes close to simulating the miraculous kind of being that you are.

16. As good as a 'Turing Machine' gets, it cannot equal or excel the living expression of nature's mentality or ours, here for the benefit of experiencing life and its creative potentials.
17. The desire to create machines with artificial personalities and the belief that a machine will one day "wake up" with a mind are clearly symptoms of delusion, probably MDPD (misanthropic-dysfunctional personality disorder). The sufferers seemingly dislike natural humanity, obsessively indulging fantasies of something that seems better. A delusion or illusion though is something that is not what it seems. Believing in illusions is delusional. Delusional people who want a better world of machines are like people who always think the grass is greener on the other side of their fence, but would prefer plastic grass, etc.
18. The only good use of machine learning systems is enhancement of the quality of real life, here, now. Unfortunately, most if not all fans of future fantasies about artificial people, really don't care about the quality of life now. Maybe they gave up on us and our potential for evolving and surviving civilization.
19. The use of better robotics and ASI should not eliminate or replace people. They should and will eliminate stupid jobs. Stupid jobs are those that a machine can do better, much faster, constantly, without tiring, without sick leave or pregnancy, without personality problems, complaints, wages, pensions, benefits, unemployment taxes and social security. Obviously, the financialist socioeconomic system ensures the replacement of stupid jobs by ASI-enabled machines.
20. The final irony: The capitalist Piracy Paradigm guarantees the liberation of humanity from all the mind-numbing, soul-crushing misery of industrial employment. Fortunately, that could liberate our vast untapped potential for creative cooperation and superior civilization.

What will billions of humans do without all those stupid jobs? I highly recommend careers and activities that require intelligence, wisdom, compassion, creativity and skills that we and we alone can perfect. Learning, art, making music, dance, theater, poetry, storytelling, writing, therapy, sex, parenting, cooking, brewing, gardening, hunting, fishing, forestry, environmental restoration and recycling are activities that would enhance the quality of life on Earth.

21. How would we be compensated? With the ideal ASI system we would be paid for taking and using products of robotic factories and automated ASI service systems. How would producers be paid?

Note: The metamonetary ASI-management system of the near future could pay producers and mass-service providers as much as they pay people to use their products or services. Clearly, changing the rules of the virtual money game played by the nations of the world will change the way the world works. Instead of creating debt currency with printing presses and computers and rules that guarantee unfair advantage for big winners, big bankers, greedy executives, corrupt politicians and other social parasites, our ASI-managed system can create credits in exact proportion to the goods and services actually given and used. That will serve the needs of everyone who gives and receives goods and services of real value. It will also enhance the QOL, instead of degrading it.

22. How would we keep psychopathic parasites from preventing or ruining the process of installation and transition to our AI-enhanced ecospheric future? As suggested by Gary Kasparov, we should stop worrying about robotic Hell on Earth fantasies. We can let ASI systems assist us in discovering and developing the solutions of our problems. How? For example, IBM's Watson "AI system can virtually read and hear and make sense of 100 million pages of information per second, then respond appropriately in a second or less. Most sociopolitical and socioeconomic problems can be discussed, described, explained, and understood by referencing the whole of human spiritual and philosophical knowledge. The same is true of and possible with the knowledge of law, politics, organizational management, monetary systems, accounting and so on. Why? Anything we do that we know how we do can be programmed and "taught" to a computer system, especially one like Watson. So, we can begin the future now. In fact, we already are, in this moment of presence.
23. Will military "AI" or evil SIP Warbots designed by the Bad Guys (or the US DOD) destroy us all? Psychopathic dictators and insane generals are more paranoid than ordinary Bad Guys. Do you think they want a SIP-Terminator that may kill them? History says no. Regardless, the global "AI" Arms Race and Cyber-War began years ago. Yet, we still have no quick-fix for our worst mental-social problems.

So, our best way forward requires refusing emotional paralysis and inaction. We need to get to work, learning how to help ASI-assistants help us create Heaven on Earth, or the next best thing. Whatever that may be, it will be better than more Hell on Earth.

Now, so far, no normal "AI" developers possess or use ecospheric wisdom to inform development of ethical ASI. If that is untrue, there is little if any evidence of it embedded in the current crop of SIP products. Most of them are used for analyzing surveillance data for more profitable manipulation and exploitation of consumers of all ages.

Do people who design and develop SIPs care more about profit or QOL and real benefit for all generations? If they care more about profit, they care very little or nothing about ethics. That is part of the subproblem we can solve with ASI, ASAP.

Yet, the rest of us share the responsibility, and we can legally force developers of "AI" systems to serve the good of all generations.

## **Crime & Punishment**

Naturally, if majorities of the most populace nations choose to let technocracy devolve into unethical [technopoly](#), all bets are off.

Fortunately, it seems likely that societies familiar with ancient ways of culture may not let gadgets, apps, games, telehypnosis and technology become their prime objects of consciousness and worship. Despite a nearly universal desire of the have-nots and not-so-poor to have and do whatever the rich have and do, new trends seem to show humanity turning away from blind envy of what the USA and its advertisers guarantee its 1%ers (those getting \$400,000 per year and up).

Still, since children mostly learn by imitation, hopefully, most adults will soon choose an AI-enhanced ecotopian future, instead of a doomed, anti-intelligent, anti-ethical dystopia.

Clearly though, these days, some very necessary decisions and judgements would be hard even for King Solomon or the best team of AI system developers. For example, ancient Jewish law required stoning of well poisoners and victims of rape, to be executed by community members. Today such laws seem too horrible. Now, if a raped girl's father wanted her stoned to death, he would be considered evil or psychotic or both. On the other hand, psychopaths keep getting richer by poisoning everything, everyone and every place on Earth.

Now, identifying and denouncing enemies of life, nature, humanity and peace may make it seem that I condemn humanoid agents of evil, but I do not. Like the Biblical Jesus on the cross, I favor forgiving them for not realizing what they did and keep doing. I think they (and we) can be found not guilty, by reason of insanity.

However, I suggest re-educating them, kindly, after equitable restitution. After all, they perpetuated the socioeconomic warfare of their role models (Columbus, Cortez, and the other predators) of antique European colonialism. Yet, recent studies and reports indicate that most of the hyper-rich are unhappy or, possibly, getting as bored as they are worried. So, we may all have as much to learn from them as they can learn from us. The re-education centers can work both ways.

How? We can now see that corruption is woven into every aspect of civilization, as much or more now than in the darkest phase of the fall of the Roman Empire. We can also admit that supporting systemic evil maintains it, making us all accomplices. Our situation and potentials are now different, but systemic corruption is still rot, evil.

So, what should we or can we do about it? Nothing is not a good option. It seems wise to consider our potentials very carefully. After all, a democracy run by and for hyper-rich psychopaths, expert cheaters and professional liars may as well be called demonocracy or idiocracy.

The Trumpi option is clearly dystopian. A deficient government infected by systemic corruption can't be cured with the insanities of totally corrupt dystopians. In fact, Trump, Trumpists, Trumpi cultists and their supporters are all dystopians. If some Trumpis don't see Trump as a totally corrupt psychopathic liar, then they are either delusional or totally ignorant. If a Trumpi does know that Trump is an anti-ethical dystopian psychopath, then that Trumpi is also an evil psychopath. Either way, all Trumpists are supporting Trump's

treasonous, anti-ethical conspiracy to turn the USA into a dystopian dictatorship run by and only for him and his accomplices.

As everyone should know now, governments ruled by evil maniacs never worked out for well for the extinct empires and civilizations of the past. Doing nothing about it this time might cause mass-extinction of all multicellular life on Earth.

Why? Recall that our word “perish” not only means to spoil or rot, but also loss or waste. In the Bible, Isaiah decries lack of knowledge, a deficiency of wisdom sufficient for high quality of life, free of cultural rottenness and waste. Is anything worse than wasted lives, or wasting opportunity in a potentially terminal race against time?

If knowing about it but doing nothing to stop it makes us equally guilty accomplices, what would a truly ethical ASI judge decide should be done to solve the problem? The reasonable answer may be why many of us fear “AI”. Granted, ecocidal egomania seems too pandemic and complicated to cure. Yet, if possible, we might enact laws as effective as King Hammurabi’s, yet more fair for all. Some punishments in ancient Babylon may seem much too harsh, yet the harshest were probably rarely applied.

Most rulers of ancient Chinese kingdoms seemed to agree that, in crafting laws, severity is essential, but that mercy is essential in enforcing them. In other words, like Muhammad, many ancient rulers believed that an ounce of prevention is worth more than a pound of cure. Possibly in agreement, in 1906—after earthquake and fire destroyed 80% of San Francisco—Mayor Schmitz quickly stopped rampant looting with a “shoot to kill” order. So, it may now be equally effective against rampant polluters, executives, and corporate directors.

Surely, the best bioethical ASI-advisor will see prevention as superior to inefficient punishment and mass-extinction. Could it be that Elon Musk is worried that a truly ethical AI-judge will see mega-billionaires as worse than the worst tyrants of the past. In ancient times, the killing of an evil king was always considered justified. So, should tyrannicide now be justified as punishment for ecocidal corporate executives and shareholders?

As an alternative, should an ethical AI-judge recommend therapy and retraining, after seizing all the assets and funds of ecocidal psychopaths? What should we and our future ASI-ethicists do about corporations themselves? The US Supreme Court considers them fictional-legal-persons, with Rights superior to real persons. So, should they be held more responsible and punishable than a real person guilty of crimes against humanity (etc.)?

Then, if found guilty of ecocide, treason, or other capital crimes, should criminal corporations be executed, terminated, or given a life-sentence working for the good of real people? What about Supreme Court (SCOTUS) “justices” who consider multinational corporations superior to living beings? I don’t know about that. Yet, the US Constitution makes judges qualified for the SCOTUS during “good behavior”—serving the good of all real, live American people. So, legally, letting corporations and Trumpists get away with InfoWar against the constitutional rule of law and us, the People is treason, not good behavior. What about all those judges, prosecutors, lawyers, politicians, and police officers who perpetuate fraudulent misclassification, illegal prohibition of cannabis, and



countless betrayals of their oaths of office? Should they all be hanged in public or simply shot for high treason?

Remember, anyone who went to law school and swore an official oath to uphold the Constitution, the rule of law and justice, and to protect us, The People—from enemies within and beyond our borders—has no excuse for not doing their duty. Also recall that the US Constitution and all valid US treaties are the supreme Law of the Land. Therefore, treasonous fraudsters, Trumpi insurrectionists, corrupt judges, and ecocidal corporations are the worst enemies of all truly loyal US citizens and humans of all generations.

### **Justice & the Rule of Law**

Abundant historical, ethical, and judicial data for an expert ASI judicial database are available and ancient. The basics and relevant issues are also intrinsic to the content of the historical documentary [Shadowing](#), on the rise of the Council on Foreign Relations and the management of war, chaos, kakistocracy, and kleptocracy. Unfortunately, it fails to prescribe an effective remedy for the pandemic hypnocracy engineered over the last 114 years or so.

That makes the question and main issue listed in item 9 so troubling and important. So, consider 2 concise extracts from [Skin in The Game](#):

- A. Evidence of submission is displayed by the employee's going through years depriving himself of his personal freedom for nine hours every day, his ritualistic and punctual arrival at an office, his denying himself his own schedule, and his not having beaten up anyone on the way back home after a bad day. He is an obedient, housebroken dog. – NN Taleb
- B. People who are bred, selected, and compensated to find complicated solutions do not have an incentive to implement simplified ones.(2018) – NN Taleb<sup>[7]</sup>

For a cinematic revelation of how the globalist elite engineered the 20<sup>th</sup> century and the state of techno-hypnocracy, disunion and decline, I can highly recommend watching Scott Noble's [Human Resources](#) and [Psywar](#). The new phase is exposed in [The Creepy Line](#), on how Google and Facebook automated the process, for profit. Then, for a more hopeful wake-up call, see [A False Reality](#).

However, none of the films or books recommended in this text are considered perfect expressions of the whole truth or all the facts. Nor are they considered 100% accurate, but they express substantial quantities of real truths, true facts, and valid principles.

Now, remember, the worst of all crimes in the USA is treason. Here, it means making war against the USA—us and our rule of law—and/or helping our enemies wage war against us. Also recall that InfoWar, psychological warfare, is now the cheapest kind of war our enemies wage against us, daily. Thus, the Trumpi InfoWar is treasonous war on truth and our constitutional rule of law. It directly helps all our anti-American enemies (Putin, Xi, Kim, etc.).

What should we do about it? The ultimate penalty for treason is either death or banishment. That poses a complex problem, and a logistical dilemma. Not arresting the traitors and seizing their assets presents a clear and present danger to loyal US citizens and all living beings. So, we can chunk it down to the thorniest issues and options:

1. Who will arrest millions of traitors and co-conspirators? Clearly, only the armed forces have enough personnel to do the job.
2. Who would lead which soldiers? Since all US military personnel swore to protect us and our Constitution (etc.)—from enemies (and traitors) beyond and within our borders—most are now guilty accomplices. Yet, in military law, commanding officers are responsible. That includes the US Commander in Chief and all former presidents who failed to protect us and our system of law from the crimes of evil traitors.
3. Where will we jail them? There may be enough FEMA camps to hold the accused, but some of the victims may be willing to trade places. After forfeiture of all assets and properties, the hotels, resorts, mansions and vacation homes of convicted “winning-class” traitors could become group homes for the poorest poor, sickest of the sick & homeless, and disabled veterans. Forfeited limousines, super-cars, yachts, and private jets can be used as shuttles for residents of luxury group homes.
4. Who will prosecute and judge the guilty? With many judges and prosecutors incarcerated (for treason), special emergency elections can handle replacements. Still, so many trials at once requires an expert ASI-enhanced judicial council to assist new prosecutors and judges. A single televised mass-trial could be held during 1 day, 10 days after the arrests, using one of the C-SPAN channels and our PBS network.
5. How could the offenders get due process for their defense? An expert ASI-enhanced system can help a team of web-developers setup an ultra-secure judicial social-network. Before the online trial, the offenders can give their statements and pleas online. If they have a law degree, they must represent themselves. If their assets are frozen, having no access to funds, a team of junior public defenders or law school students can defend them (supervised by the ethical ASI judicial expert).
6. How could we punish millions of guilty traitors? Banishment seems impractical.
7. The death penalty seems ineffective for deterring common killers, but it may keep winning-class sociopaths from risking treasonous fraud, conspiracy, and insurrection. Now, the guilty and their families<sup>[2]</sup> may be able to serve some useful, constructive purposes, as a supplemental form of reparations. For example, some may wish to live in habitat restoration camps or live and work on severely degraded Indian Reservations. The FEMA camps could also be upgraded for use as call-centers and retraining camps. Convicts could do construction labor on the clinics and housing for guards, trainers and therapists. The camps could also produce top quality cannabis, organic produce, top quality beverages and herbal medicines, for on-site use and for sale on the world markets.
8. We could permit release and parole for rehabilitated traitors who develop useful skills, to make positive contributions to a truly sane, healthy culture.
9. Yet, which of the millions of supporting co-conspirators should be charged, arrested, tried, and punished? With virtual bribery, propaganda, manipulation, etc.—since the beginning of the Fed’s fraudulent “money” scam—the big bankers and industrialists have either caused or supported systematic corruption of government, the judiciary

(SCOTUS, etc.), law, and monetary policy. Their executives, directors, and all the unethical economists and corrupt educators who perpetuated fraudulent kleptocracy are guilty of covert war against the USA and our constitutional rule of law. That is treason. They deserve arrest, prosecution, and punishment.

Now, some of the above may seem funny or unrealistic, but without a radical cure for political insanity and cultural illness, this civilization will fail and fall. That would be worse than all earlier civilizations' failures. Sadly, due to the critical issue listed in item 8, above, the odds seem to favor self-extinction by being our own worst enemies. Still, doing our best will produce the best results.

Obviously, if we fail to take the problem seriously, here, now, the dystopians and demon lovers will keep running and ruining the world. Unfortunately, nearly 99% of us are ignorant of the principles of justice and law, too confused and bamboozled. So, a solution may be seem impossible.

Regardless, if Congress, the DOJ, and Supreme Court will do their duty to protect us, then the responsibility for ensuring justice and upholding the rule of law is ours.

Yes, our modern problems would be super-difficult for the wisest kings and sages of ancient times. Yet, the best ASI logic designer—and a team with the right ethics, and intent—can develop a truly reliable, ethical ASI judicial system to help us prevent a worst-case dystopia and self-extinction.

On that note, consider [Mikhail Bakunin's insight](#) on a key element of our problem: "If there is a devil in history, it is the power principle."

Bakunin's point remains sharp. We need to redefine the terms of engagement. We also need to establish and sustain a standard of ethics that can sustain cultural wellness, sane civilization, good governance, honest politics and justice for all. The next section introduces issues and possibilities for implementing a transition to mission accomplished.

## **Ethical ASI**

Some people think that "AI" will soon rule and/or ruin the world. I see that it is the people who use and control the best "AI" (SI, simulated intelligence, and ASI, adaptive systemic intelligence) systems who will rule, virtually.

Unless you were offline or totally off-grid, unplugged and news-free for the last decade or so, you know that "AI" products are rapidly becoming seamlessly woven into the techno-fabric of civilization. It may not go away, even if we do. So, environmentalists, progressives, humanitarians and neo-ecotopians need to work with ASAI, or the dystopians will keep using their SI apps against us. Despite worries and urban legends flooding cyber-space, any improvement of our current civilization must and will involve intelligent use of ASI. Why? Some great answers are in books on "AI" and the future by [Gary Kasparov](#) and Yuval Noah Harari.

For anyone interested in saner communities or the future of cooperatives, Harari's recent works and views are worth considering:

[\*The Rise of the Useless Class\*](#), AI vs. stupid jobs, etc.

[\*Homo Deus\*](#), how data will destroy freedom

[\*21 Lessons for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century\*](#), how Big Data is reshaping the world

[\*Why Fiction Trumps Truth\*](#), on the power of mass-deception

Such views seem important as much for what the author got wrong or doesn't know as for what he gets right. Obviously, like it or not, we will only be happier with AI if we understand both it and what we can do about it, and with it.

First, the best use of AI would be for developing our collective intelligence, guided by bioethical wisdom, for the sake of creating a better civilization. What would that look like and how do we get there?

With or without the help of AI, a truly better way of civilized life must sustain optimal QOL, general benefit, global commonwealth and the sustainable well-being of all generations. Better thinking and a better world are impossible without a holistic bioethical paradigm supporting the well-being of all generations. Otherwise, our typical tendency to fall into divisive intergroup and international conflicts will continue. The only way to end or avoid the catastrophic consequences of unethical and anti-ethical conflict and lack of beneficial cooperation is fostering and supporting the opposites.

We can only do that swiftly and effectively by using an ASI-enhanced system of social governance based on ethics that support optimum quality of life (QOL). Yes, real ethics relate to all kinds of interactions, with each other and with our habitat, Earth.

To code and implement an expert ASI system of ethical management of society and culture, we need a knowledge-base of practical ethics and protocols that work for every kind of ethical decision-making and problem solving. To do it, each domain, class and type of ethical dilemma needs to be categorized. With the help of current SI apps we can do it in less than a day. The following is an initial listing of the essentials:

### **Ecocentric Ethos & Ethics**

- 1: Bioethics, holistic precautionary policy directives
  - 1.1: Environment, anti-ecocidal
  - 1.2: Medicine, best practice, for research, etc.
  - 1.3: Science, for anything that affects QOL
  - 1.4: Society, biocentric policy imperatives
  - 1.5: Law, justice, fairness, best practices
  - 1.6: Politics, best practices, competency, etc.
  - 1.7: Commerce, real equity, fair trade, etc.
  - 1.8: Fiduciaries, fiscal equity, non-parasitic policy
  - 1.9: Meta-economics, real integrity, positive credit, etc.
    - 1.9.1: Education, academic integrity, honesty, etc.
    - 1.9.2: Institutional/military/industrial ethics
- 2: Bioethical Econometrics
  - 2.1: Biocentric principles & terms

## 2.2: Qualitative metrics, equations & protocols

### 2.3.: Qualitative analysis for realistic evaluation

The basics outlined above may seem inadequate or too general, yet they can serve as the basis for extensive development of a bioethical paradigm and legal system for sane civilization worth sustaining. Its paradigm will foster and support the prerequisites of ecocentric ethics, the Golden Rule (positive biocentric interaction), the Prudent Man rule and the Five Virtuous Actions:

- 1: Compassionate helpfulness, refraining from hostility & murder
- 2: Being generous, refraining from greed, unfair acquisition or theft
- 3: Loving kindness, refraining from harmful sexual conduct
- 4: Beneficial communication, no harmful speech or slander
- 5: Appropriate conduct, refraining from negative behavior

As you can see, those 5 maxims permit case-specific variations, making positive cultural development and ethical living relatively simple. It may seem odd that all 5 virtuous actions involve self-restraint, but the Buddha saw that—in the absence of hostility, negative conditioning or perverse influence—the opposites of the 5 main modes of harmful activity come naturally. Such an optimistic appraisal of our basic goodness may seem unrealistic, but baby humans normally prove it accurate.

Naturally, for imperfect people in a very imperfect civilization, sustaining virtuous activity can be difficult, requiring serious effort and real commitment.

Sustaining optimal virtue-in-action also requires wisdom, requiring experience, effort and development over time. The alternative caused and perpetuates all the problems of civilization. We can honestly say that the greatest virtuous action of all is wise activity of mind. That means rejecting and refraining from ignorant foolishness or, if necessary, even criticizing or denouncing it. If most of us do that consistently or progressively, all the world's wars and problems will soon end. We can then prevent a SciFi "AI Terminator" scenario, cooperatively ensuring that bioethical sanity rules our technology ecosystem.

Now, money seems to rule the world. So, how and what do we teach our ultimate ASI assistant? It needs realistic, truly humane basics and specifics. So, an ASI-auditor of our money games must know what's really good, so it knows how to deal with cheating and other bad deals. See the following list of basics and practical benefits:

- Good habitat & optimal sustainability
- Good air & breathing
- Good water & beverages
- Good soil & foods
- Good shelter & community
- Good sex\* & health
- Good senses & abilities
- Good intelligence & awareness
- Good learning & teaching

- Good wisdom & knowledge
- Good creativity & resourcefulness
- Good art, science, craft & work
- Good mood, joy & play
- Good communication & truthfulness
- Good families & communities
- Good friends & allies
- Good relations & transactions
- Good politics & leadership
- Good potentials & options
- Good ethics & equity
- \* Good sex is mutually voluntary, enjoyable and celebratory, requiring informed consent and loving affection or, at the least, respectful appreciation, good intent and good results (no harm or unwanted children).

Now, all that may seem too vague, fuzzy, excessive or too minimal, but consider the realities. If you want your quality of life (QOL) governed without any of the goods listed above, can you provide a superior standard of bioethical values?

Yes or no, succeeding requires resolving our thorniest dilemmas. Can we wisely determine the way of least harm without an ecocentric standard of bioethics that includes what we all consider truly good for us? Maybe not, some ethical dilemmas are complex, fraught with cultural conundrums and gray issues, involving unavoidable harm, or at least one death or possibly many more.

Should we trust a machine and a council of guardians and wise elders to make appropriate decisions and be consistently fair? Could any AI-assisted group of humans attain and effectively apply the wisdom of King Solomon or Rabbi YSHVH (Jesus) or Muhammad or Buddha, or of all the wisest people that ever lived?

The best answer requires facing the facts, [the awful truth](#). Trusting globalist CEOs, bankers, plutonomists, for-profit politicians and bureaucrats was a bad idea. Evidently, they have no idea what is either good or bad for everybody, including themselves and their children or anyone else's. How could they?

Bioethical thinking is enabled by an ecocentric bioethical paradigm. The paradigm that rules winning-class egos was developed by their role models: conquistadors and imperial globalists. They gained their financial power by supercharging the slave trade and raping half the planet. Now, the new conquistadors are too busy raping what's left of the world to think about a major change of the rules and the goals that maintain their game and their immorally unfair advantages.

Still, what we need for a superior monetary credit system is a perfect AI-auditor that knows simple arithmetic and accounting principles. That, and much more, will be easy for an AI-enhanced supercomputer.

## Teaching Machines



“Teaching” all of humanity’s legal, ethical and spiritual wisdom to an appropriately designed AI accounting & management system offers us a major QOL upgrade. But, if you still doubt our ability to develop a sane cultural paradigm and practical bioethical policies, study the national constitutions of [Bolivia](#) and [Portugal](#). Bolivia’s constitutionally protected Law of [the Rights of Mother Earth](#), the [Xeex Law](#) of traditional (rural) Somalian tribes and the Haudenosaunee (Iriquois) [constitution](#) are eye-openers. They may seem imperfect, yet seem superior to most modern constitutions.

For example, Articles 19 and 59 of the Haudenosaunee constitution seem especially useful. Yet, unfortunately, article 80 may have helped inspire the USA’s modern quasi-imperial militarism. On the other hand, the [ethical oaths](#) of various medical traditions provide important elements of a practical standard of bioethical values. Besides the codes of ethics published by and for many institutions, industries and professions, the Geneva Convention of military ethics is another example of ethical legal policy.

By integrating the valid essentials of all the historic codes of ethics and ethical elements of the great philosophical and spiritual wisdom traditions of the world, we can accomplish bioethical ASI and a sane civilization.

For example, IBM’s Watson “AI” system can now process the contents of a million books per second, and store the results in 1 minute or so. The SI (“AI”) products of Google, Microsoft, and Anthropic AI (etc.) can now out-perform Watson, with rapidly improving virtual reasoning, accuracy, and reliability. That means that all existing anti-ethical and deficient or defective human institutions could be upgraded within a few weeks, if enough of us decide to prevent a worst-case ecocidal dystopia by creating the optimum alternative, a bioethical, neo-ecotopian civilization, with optimum QOL for all.

We clearly need no worry about an ASI-enhanced system taking too long to help us create the optimum ethical database. Let’s be honest with ourselves, about the problem and the solution. If we do, then using qualitative bioethical ecometrics will enable a rapid evolution of civilization, and a future without insane greed, corruption, war and extreme poverty.

However, if most of us are unwilling to give up our selfish, foolish habits of negative action and interaction, we will all suffer worse consequences. Damage will mount up and intensify. There is clearly no more important problem to solve. Being unaware of that is the metacrisis, the worst kind of foolishness. Time waits for none of us, least of all greed-crazed fools. Realizing the daunting psychosocial momentum of plutonomy, we should think about reigning in virtually unstoppable [technopoly](#). Letting it go on as is guarantees dystopian idiocracy and/or demonocracy. Yes, as [Neil Postman](#) realized, we can choose not to give up all our natural goods and spiritual values for the sake of god-like gadgets (“smart” apps, etc.). CGI-enhanced fake-reality and an “AI” enforced for-profit pseudo-kingdom of pseudo-heaven are not our only options.

In fact, it now looks like the consequences of [The Global Trap](#) (1966), the assault on democracy and prosperity explained by Martin & Schumann(1997), has become almost totally intolerable, at least outside the USA. For example, the global outrage has grown to

the point that the major CEOs at a recent [Business Roundtable meeting](#) pledged to make people and planet as important as profit.

They may have been indulging in deceptive PR, but they have good reasons to fear worse reactions to their ruthless greed and ecocidal egomania.

For more visible and potentially more motivating views of the main issue and our options, see [The Pursuit](#), [A New Economy](#) and [This Changes Everything](#). Those films may seem less than perfect or far from it. The first two documentaries lack a practical strategy for global transition to a real solution, yet all three provide visible evidence of progress toward the right direction.

Never-the-less, for a real solution we all need to realize that not only is capitalism not the problem, it can fuel the most rapid transition to a civilization worth sustaining. Woody Harrelson's final message in [Ethos](#) is that the only power our opponents really respect and serve above all others is monetary power. With that power and bioethical capitalism we can cure civilization's socioeconomic illness ASAP.

The Scandinavian countries, among several others, may not be perfectly ecotopian, but they prove that capitalism can serve and support cultural wellness and humanitarian societies. How? The cause of our global crisis exists at the level of the dominant paradigm, the values, ethics, beliefs, priorities, and policies we all consider normal, the basics of how reality works. We can either start the cure there or suffer worse consequences. Replacing the modern injustice system, its ecocidal insanity, excessive inequality, and increasing dysequity, is a critical necessity and prerequisite of sustainable survival.

The following sections cover more of the basic necessities we need to create a sane civilization and the best of all possible futures.

## 12 :: COMMON WEALTH

The only sure way to avoid making mistakes is to have no new ideas. – Einstein

To be absolutely certain...one must know everything or nothing... – Henry Kissinger

I've been broke many times, but I've never been poor. – Andrew Carnegie

The main trouble with money is that most of us fail to think of it as an idea and a belief system. We also normally take its symbols and rules for granted.

Clearly, most of us know nothing about the realities of money and the central bankers' game. So, most of us normally confuse money with value or with currency—coins, paper notes, etc.—and wealth, status, power, and debt. Even considering it a measure of value is illusory, making you a victim of mass-deception. That makes it hard to see that using modern currencies is like gambling with valueless play-money.

Would you enjoy betting on the ever-changing price of inches (or meters) or ounces (or grams)? Can you imagine an economy that depends on ever-changing weights of ounces or grams, or ever-changing lengths of seconds, minutes, and hours? Never mind what they measure.



Now, imagine choosing not to protect or restore our habitat because it would cost too many kilometers or miles, or too many grams or seconds. Envision a world where units of time, length, or weight constantly change, always inflating, so bankers get more than their fair share of real wealth. For example, try playing neoMonopoly, “Monopoly” using the Fed’s rules. The Banker gets “interest” on your play-money, and gets to have secret meetings with a Government guy, to change the rules every 3 or 4 turns. That exposes the insanity of the Central Banking cartel’s fake debt-money game.

Clearly, realistic economics is impossible without a realistic understanding money, its nature, its principles, the basic rules, and its history. A more realistic view of modern economies is shown by [Inside Lehman Brothers](#) and the last few minutes of [The Other Guys](#)—a hilariously funny spoof movie. During the closing credits, it blows the whistle with charts, exposing the real nature of the Winners Take All game.

Speculating (gambling) in the international currency markets of today is betting—on virtual values. They change with the ongoing flux of winning and losing bets. Whether you use official national currencies or cyber-crypto coins, the momentary market value of any of them is a result of the momentary state of the game (the balance of players’ greed and fear). What matters for the big winners is the game, scoring, keeping the game going, and winning whenever you win or lose. Thus, most losers (99+% of us) never realize why we keep losing, getting at least a little poorer, daily, by the nanosecond. Regardless, economists and professors of economics either misunderstand or ignore that.

The truth is that a.) modern currencies, b.) the central banking cartel, c.) Wall Street, d.) corrupt governments, and e.) economics exist to maintain the dominance of a tiny minority of us, about 1 in a million ( $\pm 8100$ ) of us. Modern economics and economists are worse than unrealistic. They ignore the systematic market manipulation and systemic corruption of the monopolists’ global plutonomy. Economics ‘as is’ is totally invalid, unhelpful, and as harmful as the world’s official currency game. So, even if economists were honest about faux-money, mainstream economics would remain as invalid as the exotic math and unrealistic models used to bamboozle the gullible majority.

Why? Mainly because economics lacks a foundation of meta-economics, a coherent, integral metatheory of enabling principles that permit valid evaluation of real goods and qualitative values. Hence, a vast majority of economists now fail to agree with each other. They also fail to study and predict anything about the whole reality of any economy or modern market sector. Therefore, they can never predict or prevent massive losses and economic disasters that might not happen if economics was really scientific.

Now, if 99% of us ever hope to enjoy the modest, healthy affluence of an ecospheric commonwealth, we need to create and sustain it ourselves. Why? Nearly 99% of the world’s economists and politicians are paid not to think of how we might accomplish the mission (or else they sabotage it). So, we need to understand, foster and sustain sane, bioethical definitions of money, value, credit, wealth, and success.

Consider this: As he was making, losing, and making more fortunes, Mr. Carnegie seemed to be mostly right about poverty. Yet, since 1913, going from broke to making

billions got much harder, increasingly, and ever less likely, structurally. If you made it this far, you must be sure of that.

None the less, on its own, no single new idea or system is good enough. Most of us need to understand a.) cultural credit, b.) bioethical meta-money, and c.) a hybrid system that counteracts the parasitic game now ruining the world. So, remember, real money is a mind game, a system of beliefs, ideas, symbols, and rules. A healthy commonwealth needs informed participation based on a stable standard of beneficial values, positive credit, durable integrity, and real trust. Subverting any of those essentials perverts the game, turning it into a con-game, eventually eroding trust and ending the game. Remember, the Fed's game really is like "Monopoly" where the Banker always wins. For an extensive history of the game, see [Federal Reserve: Not federal, no reserve](#).

If we fail to develop and support ethical money and credit, cancerous cultural illness and ecocidal damage will continue. Most people would keep believing we cannot afford the cure, ending ongoing ecocide. There may be more than one way to our best results, but the following equations reveal basic principles of nontoxic cultural interaction.

$$\text{Eq. 2: } \mathbf{VE} + \mathbf{BC} - (\mathbf{DP} + \mathbf{mc}) = f^{\infty}(\mathbf{vT} + \mathbf{s})$$

Translation: Where **VE**, the value of equity, plus **BC**, the benefit of credit, minus **DP**, debt times poverty plus **mc**, manipulation of currency, equals  $f^{\infty}$  infinite affluence times **vT**, the viability of trust plus **s**, sustainability. That equation is the core of the formula for cultural and financial recovery and for success that lasts as long as we sustain equity, benefit and nonprofit credit. The alternative?

$$\text{Eq. 3: } \mathbf{C^c} + (-\mathbf{E-V}) - \mathbf{B_g} = \mathbf{P^{\infty}}$$

Translation: In the absence of counter-acting forces, concentration of **C<sup>c</sup>**, credit, plus the dysequity of dysvalue (**-E-V**) minus general benefit (**B<sub>g</sub>**), cause ever increasing poverty.

Eventually, when the unlimited spiritual poverty (and lack of bioethical integrity) of a greedy minority undermines fairness and real value to deprive the majority of benefit, a lose-lose result is assured. Nature guarantees the yin-yang relativity of spiritual poverty and material poverty.

Letting evil rule society is a bad bet on a no-win scenario. If we want a lively culture and commonwealth, with modest affluence for all, we need a new game that over 80% of us can play successfully. That means having enough pie for all, not letting bankers, gamblers, cheaters and fools steal it or poison it. In other words, we need a stable cultural economy with a nonprofit credit system and debt-free currencies that counteract the toxic national-debt-for-profit pyramid game making 0.000001% of us the only "winners" of their ecocidal Winners Take All pyramid game. That takes truly stable currency.

Clearly, only a stable, set standard of values can enable and sustain a stable economy. An ecospheric cultural credit system can sustain a stable standard of values, globally. We can think of it as a modern version of the gifting/sharing economy of our ancient ancestors. They did it for countless millennia, long before symbolic tokens of exchange. It requires only a shared understanding of wealth, like the way of the "Potlatch" cultures of North

America's northwestern indigenous nations. Cultural credits can also be used somewhat like currencies are in the ancient, priceless Souq (souk) system, the open markets of the Silk Roads, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia. We can now combine those ancient ways with the nonmonetary economy of "Star Trek" (the first season):

1. no fixed prices
2. no debt-for-profit monetary currency
3. no destructive debt or financial manipulation

The key element is the Win+Win, give+give relational principle. Can credit be debt-free and nontoxic? Yes, naturally, if we want to thrive in harmony while enabling all generations to do so as well.

We really need to bear this in mind: An ethical culture is what we do *with* each other to enhance the quality of life (QOL). Plutonomy, the economics of kleptocracy, is what normal psychopaths do *to* each other and us, with no compassion or consideration of the consequences for all generations.

## **Green Credit**

Nonmonetary cultural credit and an Ecospheric Community Credit Union (ECCU) will do what no conventional local currency or existing crypto-coin system can do. A hybrid cultural credit system that supports nonmonetary valuation and fair exchange, enabling Win+Win results—mutual benefit—can also withstand subversion.

Again, there is no way to make monetary currency a debt-based commodity (for speculative trading, betting) without subverting its value, validity, legitimacy, stability and sustainability. Even systems denominated in units of time depend on users' notions of relative value based on national currency, binding them to it and its fate.

As long as local currencies are linked—directly or indirectly—to the financial system of banksters and bubble marketeers, communities will keep suffering the consequences of exponentially inflating debt and devaluing dollars (etc.). As debt-based official currencies go on faltering, inflating, deflating and failing to serve fair exchange and common wealth, dependent local currencies grow ever more vulnerable.

Two Argentinian monetary disasters proved that truth. The corruption and consequences of kleptocracy are only escapable via a bioethical Win-Win alternative. If an effective community currency/credit exchange system were in use for the last 111 years, globally, poverty would now be nonexistent. Yet, even now, community currencies and [nonmonetary] mutual credit systems are numerous. They keep serving millions of users. However, they are much less useful than they could be. Worse yet, billions of people who need superior money and credit are unaware of the superior alternatives. Here is a list of just a few of the major systems now in use:

- IRTA, International Reciprocal Trade Association
- LETS, local credit & trading exchange systems
- WIR, Swiss business-to-business credit & currency system
- Time Dollars & Time Banks, UK & USA

Other systems and networks are serving millions in India and Africa. Yet, in this post-Truth Era of financial insanity, the only way to sustain thriving, growing local economies is with a bioethical community credit network, free of the ecocidal kleptocracy paradigm and the corrupting financial concepts of plutonomy.

Why trust a radical new system? A nonprofit ecospheric credit union with a bioethical AI-Auditor system imposes no risks. On the other hand, why keep trusting the Federal Reserve system and its ruinous national-debt-for-profit play-money?

The most likely answer: The Fed seems to run the only game in town. Yet, a Fed “dollar” is a micro-CDO (collateralized debt obligation), a toxic financial derivative, a bet against us. In fact, thanks to The Fed and its kleptocratic protectors, we, our children and everything we seem to own are considered ‘collateral’ for the bogus national debt. That enables the exponential devaluation of ‘monetary’ value, plus suppression of cultural creativity and healthy growth. That ensures ever bigger score for the winning-class and ever lower score (and more poverty) for the rest of us.

Why use a nonprofit global credit system in addition to local and regional currencies? Debt-free, non-monetary community credit will give us back the sustainable pie of cultural commonwealth we forfeited to the ‘hyper-rich’ winning-class. Instead of using unstable debt-based currency with no value of its own, we can enjoy increasingly affluent communities.

### **Ecospheric Alternatives**

Using debt-free monetary currencies can support rapid transition to a stable ecospheric commonwealth. It is reasonable to wonder exactly how, after so many failed attempts.

A nondebt-based global commodity index currency (**Ci**) will have the advantage of tracking the average value of all the world’s listed assets, stocks, commodities, currencies, etc. That will level the playing field by eliminating bubble market exploitation. While the bogus monetary values of other currencies and assets rise or spike and fall or crash, the **Ci**’s value will be a stable hedge against disaster.

It’s equally important to recall that the Fed’s plutonomy game and its play money are immoral, anti-ethical, corrupting and essentially ecocidal.

On the other hand, not being based on a parasitic debt-based system, stable nonprofit currency and nontoxic credit will liberate our suppressed creativity and healthy cultural productivity.

What could be better? A bioethical ecospheric solution will rapidly become more attractive and effective as the consequences of globalist-consumerist kleptocracy get worse.

Why? As kleptocracy’s end game phase gets worse, ECCU trust tokens (**T+** AKA credit units) will become more desirable than all existing crypto-coins and currencies. Likewise, the **Ci** currencies will enable easy transition out of destructive addiction to debt-based national currencies (and collapsing bubble markets). Thus, unlike all mainstream currencies and most crypto-coins, the **T+** and **Ci** serve as the best hedge investments while also enabling convenient use in most daily transactions.

How and why should that be so? For example, like current local currencies, a crypto-coin's valuation depends on the multinational banking cartel's debt-for-profit system and related market activity. Yet, they all depend on and support the inherently subversive lose/win, give/take, take/take and lose/lose way of kleptocracy. Remember, that really only supports the all-time 'Big Winners' (the elite 0.0001%ers).

Nonprofit **T+** credit units and global **Ci** currencies provide superior advantages and benefits for all players. That is true because they are:

- for sustaining lively culture, not gambling, cheating & hoarding
- not exploitable commodities, not material, not limited
- not more important than life, health, children, elders, etc.
- not-for-profit, enabling tax-free community development
- interest-free, thus free of exponential debt & devaluation
- free of intrinsic inflation, deflation & cyclic disaster
- even stronger as the global financial system collapses
- stable alternatives to kleptocracy debt-dollars
- reliable debt-free instruments of public benefit
- tokens of positive credit and real cultural value

### **The 13 Steps**

How do we start something as complex as a nonprofit global credit and currency exchange system?

1. In practice, a local currency system and a nonprofit credit system are not so different. Both use symbolic units that enable accounting and exchange of goods and services. Both are forms of credit, that can be used by credit unions, banks, and States, like California and North Dakota. Yet, nonprofit cultural credit needs no link to national debt-based currencies and corrupt concepts of value. Without artificial startup lag or limitation to suppress flow, the system thrives from the start. It suffers no national financial disasters, no exploitive monetary policy, and no manipulation for profit.
2. Monetary 'scarcity' is an artificial notion. It is as unnecessary and ridiculous as a scarcity of inches and meters, or ounces and grams. The notion of excess "money" can be eliminated with term-limited credits, like coupons, or the various classes of term-limited notes and securities now in use. Unlike most new currency startups, instead of "buying" units with Fed debt-dollars (or whatever), cultural credits and currencies can be issued into circulation as promotional "premiums" or in exchange for real goods and services—in direct proportion to real benefits and contributions to cultural activity and growth. The ASI-auditor system tracks interaction, real cultural wealth and flow. Unlike the Fed's exponential debt-system, issuing credits or currency in proportion to the actual creation of value and flow of exchange also eliminates excuses for deficit spending. Freeing credit and exchange from for-profit currency, parasitic banking, and compound interest also frees local and regional economies from cycles of inflation, depression and endless growth of poverty.

3. The Ecospheric Community Credit Union (ECCU) network can begin with local or regional associations—growing organically from local alliances, towns, cities, and counties to bioregional, tribal or state level, up to the national scale.
4. Checks, receipts, smart cards and apps can be used to exchange T+ credits (positive trust tokens) for goods and services. Awards, gifts, grants and investments can be given via email, chat text, and ECCU enabled websites, or via networks and systems similar to Venmo, etc.
5. Like some existing currencies, yet better, inflation-proof T+ can be used by local/national Credit Unions (CU) for loans to fund development, construction, etc. For example, unlike existing local currency systems, ECCU T+ and a “global wealth index” currency system (Ci) can keep CUs, community-owned banks and communities from failing when national economies fail.
6. Initially, merchants, restaurants, manufacturers, service providers and professionals can use either physical or digital T+ units as promotional premiums or discount coupons; and, unlike debt-dollars, since nonprofit T+ and Ci units are stable (debt-free), they cause no no long-term loss.
7. When T+ credits are commonly accepted, businesses, government agencies, schools, hospitals/clinics, etc., can use them for full or partial alternatives to debt-buck wages or bonuses and, eventually, for tax payments (as in California, USA).
8. T+ credits can be used as a nonprofit, tax-free, bond-free (debt-free) way to “fund” public works and community development projects.
9. For converting the many virtual e-currencies online, ECCU T+ credits will serve as a stable medium of exchange for individuals, businesses—even banks—NGOs and governments, globally, eliminating losses due to currency exchange profiteers.
10. As ever more people ask Facebook, Amazon, Google, Apple, Walmart, etc., to work with the ECCU system and ever more businesses use T+ credits and Ci currencies, all major online networks will soon use them.
11. With one exception, transactions with T+ credits online will function much like exchanges with ‘dollars’ (etc.) in cyberspace, now accounting for about 90% of all ‘dollars’ considered existing in the global plutonomy. The ECCU exception is a total lack of instability due to intrinsic debt-for-profit, parasitic manipulation, and currency devaluation.
12. T+ credits can be introduced and used by progressive communities, CUs, community-owned banks, co-ops, associations, online gamers, musicians, artists, churches, activist groups, and intelligent business owners.
13. Inevitably, T+ credits and Ci will be accepted globally, as a complementary monetary support system, accepted by Visa (etc.), the World Bank, the UN and most national governments.

Still, most of us remain imperfect, vulnerable to vice and illusion. So, we still use nonsensical units of illusory "money" as measures of financial wealth and status.

Do we need a miracle to get billions of us to agree on the "right" kind of ecospheric substitute? Well, most of us remain vulnerable to cunning cheaters and Banksters as long as they fail to understand value, wealth, cultural credit, meta-money, and ethics. Worse, illogically, we all accept exponentially inflating (progressively devalued) currencies as the defining standard of monetary value. So, a new one that measures the world's current average monetary wealth should be welcomed with gratitude, globally.

Clearly, a global commodity/wealth index currency has the advantage of levelling the playing field by automatically eliminating the pump & dump games of the Big Currency traders and top-tier Banksters. Fortunately for them, though average value **Ci** units may not seem as valuable as Bankster play-money, bankers and stockbrokers will love having billions of new customers who got rich using debt-free **Ci** and **T+** credits, internationally.

Will it take long for 1%ers to want lots of **Ci** to spend, globally, eliminating the cost and hassles of conventional currency exchange? No, and they will appreciate the fact that **Ci** are "backed" by the actual assets of the world, listed by all brokerages and exchanges of commodities, securities and currencies. They will also be backed by all participating nations, communities and ECCA member businesses.

Also bear in mind that the only way to directly award real credit for contributions of real value is to issue them immediately, per mutually agreed terms, or as a gift or grant.

Why? Value is the prime secret of money hidden in plain sight. Only you know what that means to you, giving you an ongoing advantage for tax-free gifting/sharing.

When or if we choose to co-create a sane ecospheric civilization and sustain bioethical definitions of wealth and success, our values will be good for life and our common wealth. We can then get on with enjoying a much Greener way of life, exploring and realizing our greatest potentials, developing all our talents for the good of all.

## **13 :: CRAFT & De-Specialization**

Is civilization a global catastrophe in progress? It may be, despite our best efforts. If it is, can we create an alternative?

Despite common perceptions and delusions of progress, pandemic social dysfunction causes ever worse cultural decay. That is the essence, nature, and process of malignant dystopia. A cure takes a sane, Green alternative.

ASI-enhanced automation, ecospheric credit and currency may enable radical positive transformation of human civilization. Yet, for sustainable ecospheric culture and commonwealth, supporting ecospheric wellness, we need a neo-primitive revival of personal self-reliance and respect for nature's boundless gifts and opportunities.

Thanks to the ongoing progress of ASI-enhanced automation, people of modern urban/suburban societies will soon be relieved of work better accomplished by machines. We can all then devote ourselves to radical re-education and mastery of the many arts, crafts, sciences, and trades that support bioethical living.

Another key necessity is regenerative agriculture at all scales, PermaCulture and vertical urban farming. Community economies and social accounting (to identify levels of

sustainability, benefit, cultural credit and ‘off-grid’ autonomy) will support ecospheric success and families learning to sustain it. The Meta-political Ecospheric Culture Alliance (MECA), its programs and our creative cooperation will generate Community Resilience through Action for Future Transition (CRAFT).

Complete cultural healing and regeneration may require a new generation of children whose families lived in ecotopian communities and cities. For a global alliance of ecotopian communities and cultures to blossom, that generation may need to take the reins of governance, with the help of a bioethical ASI-advisor. That could enable upgrading their national constitutions and/or the UN’s founding rules and documents.

Core elements of cultural healing & regeneration will be our ‘no about me without me’ ethos, with bioethical values embedded in all levels of ASI-enhanced governance, especially fiscal accounting & auditing. Bioethical NGOs, associations, communities and their charters, policies and priorities will sustain recognition that today it is not simply a different political ideology that will ensure our mission accomplished. Humanity’s survival and success requires a different consciousness, and we think that biocentric, ecospheric consciousness is the kind we all need.

*Civilization or Dystopia* proposes fostering the alliance of humane communities, cities and cultures over a ten-year period. Depending on their locations, co-founders of the alliance may form regional core-groups of up to around 150 people. The process can progress with groups budding off to form new core-groups that establish local, regional, then national level associations, co-ops and ecospheric NGOs or new community-owned businesses. The aim is self-funded, self-perpetuating development and outreach.

Early core-groups and associations will need to allocate space, resources and time to master the craft of cultural healing and the art of ecotopian community building. The resources can be generated by alliance co-ops dedicated to construction, wellness care products, publishing & webcasting, and every other kind of cultural enterprise that fosters and supports the transition to Greener, more livable futures for all. The MECA’s future Ecospheric Cultural Credit Union (ECCU) and its ASI-audited system will progressively accelerate all the processes of restoration and transition to sane civilization.

For the most effective transition, CRAFT requires what we all know as craft. Participating in hands-on community building will enable practical progress in all the essentials of everyday life, including truly sustainable, bioethical politics. Those skills can and will be developed through apprenticeships, mentoring, adult-action learning circles, community-building workshops and CRAFT webinars.

Over a period of six months or more, a recovery & re-generation of multi-talented personal self-reliance and the emergence of cultural healing can be expedited.

Remember, from our macro-historic perspective, our species’ *chiro*—the hands drove the evolution of *cogno*—our head and brain-mind. Our human mind develops with integral use of all our bodily faculties, capabilities and psycho-physical potentials, not the other way around. As was long suspected, too many of us over-valued the mind over all else, for far too long. Indeed, through the use of their hands—for 2 million years or more—our ancestors were expanding their brain capacity and the mind that we inherited.



Naturally, becoming the only upright primate, with such keen eyes and color vision, our vast vocal abilities helped. Yet, through the dexterity of our hands, the craft, design, skillful production, use and improvement of all human artifacts is possible, even this work of writing and planning.

The ecospheric view enables understanding that wise use of our hands is why pursuits like gardening, cooking and hobby work are so rewarding, so deeply satisfying. Therefore, global actualization of CRAFT requires liberation of our greatest individual potentials for craft.

So, we need a hands-on approach to de-specialization, to re-connect to the energetic synergy, artistry and sciences of craft. We also need abiding respect for our ancient, inherent way of development, through craft. We see such expressed in Australia's indigenous peoples as [Bush Mechanicing](#), embodying its own Bushie Manifesto with [6 emergent principles](#) of Social Innovation (see the diagram below for Social Innovation aspects and the attachment, explaining the Australian-style Bush Mechanic).

Obviously, we can all value craft and Hand-knowledge as well as Head-knowledge while seeing that we need use them to honor and love ourselves, human beings, and our only home habitat, Earth. That requires Heart-knowledge, balancing mind & body wisdom that we can and must express and embody in ecospheric awareness and community, enabling evolutionary Hearth-learning.

Whether the kitchen hearth provides wood-fueled fire or electricity, humanity will only survive and thrive by sustaining the wellness, warmth and loving Heart-wisdom of a happy family home. Cultural wellness and ecotopian community depend on the relationship of relationships of healthy families.

## 14 :: ECOSPHERIC MEDICINE

### Introduction

In ancient times, masters of the healing arts understood that mind and body are interdependent and interactive. The condition of one affects the other.

The same is true of each of us and our habitat, each of us and our cultures. So, ecospheric healing requires a truly holistic, integrative approach, recognizing infinite wholeness, seeking insight, and understanding of all that affects our lives, families, communities and habitats. Yet, our vulnerability to addiction is one of civilization's main subproblems.

Dr. Anne Wilson Schaef diagnosed pandemic addictions as illnesses, as systemic as racism and consumerism. She explains the syndrome in [When Society Becomes an Addict](#). For example, as primates, we tend to be naturally addicted to sugar and pleasure from birth. That makes most of us want to do anything to avoid the opposites, all the unpleasant experiences and bad news, as much as possible.

More importantly, our inborn biological tendencies are reinforced by our behavioral and environmental consequences. Of course, those include our 'built-environment' — houses, nuclear power plants, oil refineries, mines, towns, cities, malls, parking lots,

freeways, etc.—and how we are influenced by and interact with them and our other technologies. So, if we are going to cure civilization of its dystopian illness, ecospheric medicine needs to include every kind of remedial action, from paradigm repair up to the global-scale ecotectural healing of mega-cities and industries.

Hopefully, ecopsychology, dynamic psychotherapy and ecotherapy will evolve into a holistic approach to complete wellness of whole human beings and families. Ecospheric medicine could then provide a unitive context of bioethical values, principles, priorities and methods. That could enable the best possible support for the healing and sustainable wellness of people, families, communities, cultures and civilization.

Still, we should remember that families, their communities and cultures are actively inseparable realms of experience, affecting our entire way of being, feeling, thinking, communicating and behaving. Long-term studies of large populations and volunteer groups have shown that approximately 80% of the chronic, degenerative inflammatory diseases of modern civilization are caused and aggravated by excess stress, distress and deficient sleep. Naturally, unhealthy diets and lack of exercise are major contributing factors, but modern people spend too much time working, indulging in TV, social-media, unGreen buildings, malls and other unhealthy activities, and too little time enjoying nature and truly satisfying creative work. That relates to the basis of global conflict, strife, war, crime and ecocidal destruction, obviously.

Those are symptoms of insanity, not original requisites of the human form of being. Ever more archeological evidence proves that human cultures were originally founded on and sustained by creative cooperation and satisfying cultural activities, without endemic violence and war. The shamanic healers and visionaries of the most ancient primitive civilizations maintained and passed on that understanding and knowledge.

They also realized that human being is a complex expression of the universal principles, functions and modes of physicality, mentality, spirituality and personality. Clearly, we can now safely say that human consciousness is an expression of universal being. It is also safe to say that presence and awareness are the two primal basics of being here now.

Obviously, those truths of being were recognized and understood by gifted masters of the healing arts from the most ancient times. For example, virtually all the native peoples of the Americas and elsewhere recognize all forms of being as embodying and expressing their own characteristic *medicine*, their individual spiritual and physical qualities and powers. From very ancient times, highly skillful wisdom-holders used sophisticated therapies for people suffering challenges to their wellness or survival.

Some 'Stone-age' humans who lived thousands years ago had tatoo spots at accupuncture points. Incan doctors of ancient Peru practiced brain surgery and cranial repair, using gold plates & screws for covering holes in the skull. Some modern descendents of the neuro-surgeons of ancient South America practice psychophysical diagnosis of the brain by entering a vast space filled with what look like huge crystalline columns illuminated with shimmering rainbow colors. The great healers of the Hawaiian Huna tradition, and all the other gifted shamans of the native spiritual cultures, have

always recognized the interactive interdependence of nature and spirit and what we call *mind* and *body*.

Freud, as well as many other psychiatrists and hypnotherapists recognized the three basic levels of mind or intelligence as a basic fact of our human way of being.

Of the three major Oriental approaches that evolved to the highest levels of technical sophistication, Tibetan medicine has maintained a strong integration of the direct psychophysical techniques of the ancient masters of whole-being wellness-support practice. Living beings are not machines and, despite some functional similarities and analogs, the human nervous system is not a computer. We are not soft machines with a mental operating system, biochemical wetware and software.

Human being is closer to being a universal artwork than anykind of mechanical process. Ignoring or denying that is not conducive to ultimate success in the fields of medicine and life. Trying to maintain a purely materialist mechanistic view of life misses the best half of the universe and ignores about 90% of our experience.

Fortunately, an ecospheric paradigm exorcizes pseudo-scientific rhetoric and mechanist semantics.

Ecospheric therapies are subdisciplines of holontology, the science of being as a whole. Without integrating holontology into the science and practice of ecotecture and the healing arts—restorative therapy, mindbody deprogramming, reprogramming, repatterning, remission and habitat restoration—modern medicine would remain immature and incomplete. Without responsive openness to being-as-a-whole, we could never be more than blind fools trying to lead blind children.

Without the superior wisdom of mindbody medicine discovered and developed by the ancestral masters, the evolution of medicine would remain retarded, at best. We would also miss the full scope and higher-level potentials of the scientific art of psychophysical medicine.

Ecospheric ecotherapy provides the integrative context and bioethics for the dynamic practice of personal and cultural healing. If our species is to survive this civilization, we must realize and actualize the super-sanity of full maturity—biocentric, ecospheric consciousness. This is our ultimate back to the future opportunity. Yet, without adequate therapy and master therapists sustaining primal awareness, pure presence and loving compassion, there will be no cure.

Our karmas will keep ripening, for better or worse. For now, the inmates are running the free-range psych ward into dystopia, with reckless disregard for the wellness of other beings, species, and realms. Only an integrative, dynamic psychotherapy that embraces all of life (the psychophysical universe) will turn the tide, leading humanity back to sanity and evolutionary wellness, sustained by wholeness. The essential elements and modes of ecospheric ecotherapy are described below:

### **The Primal Dyad**

Being is embodied and/or expressed with basic, nondual, dyadic couples. The dyadic couples are interdependent functions of each other, each one impossible & meaningless

without the other.

The most basic pair is presence or appearance & awareness. They enable the principles of physicality & mentality, identity & relativity, personhood and consciousness of other beings & things, relationship to and with others.

Unity & duality enable the existence of pairs, mates, lovers, etc., the oneness of the universe and the duality of sex. The absolute truth is singular yet infinite. Relative truths are dyadic & definite, involving relational contrasts of opposing or complementary principles, realities, ideas, opinions or other phenomena, like hot & cold, light & dark and so on. Not understanding the nature of primal nonduality prevents holistic understanding of life and reality.

## **The 2 Poles of Sanity**

For human beings, Ethos and Mythos are the two primal aspects of the nōosphere and logosphere determining the nature and quality of human being in the ecosphere.

Language and stories can be seen as expressions of relativity and communication. Cosmos includes nōos, mentality and, thus, logos, logic, language, meaningful communication and all they enable. Without ethos though—values and relations appropriate to our habitat & culture—logos would be meaningless or non-existent. The ecosphere would then be nothing other than unconscious chaos, with no information, no communication and no realization, hence no identity, no personality and no consciousness.

Ethos and logos enable mythos, theory and consideration of truth, the relative and absolute dimensions of truth. Without mythos we would have no science, no literature, no art, no history and no civilization. Yet, without a balanced mix of mythos and ethos—personally & culturally—we cannot sustain ecospheric consciousness, cultural wellness and bioethical civilization.

Thus, ecopsychology defines sanity in terms of a bioethical, ecocentric context, based on the natural principles of life and cultural wellness. Hence, insanity is a state of mental and/or cultural illness that subverts, perverts, degrades or destroys personal, cultural and ecospheric wellness.

A human being's sanity is grounded & centered on the axis of logos, connecting ethos and mythos. Those are the 2 poles of biocentric sanity. Appropriate ethos empowers personal mythos, supporting a cultural mythos that sustains cultural wellness. The opposites cause or aggravate mental, spiritual and cultural illness.

## **The Four Modes of Relationship**

- 1. Nondual (primal):** creative, generative, infinite, enlivening
- 2. Win+Win (give-give):** unitive, constructive, inclusive, fulfilling
- 3. Win+Lose (give/take):** divisive, competitive, limiting, disappointing
- 4. Lose+Lose (take-take):** negative, destructive, terminal, depressing

The Modes apply to couples, families, communities, cultures, civilizations, economies and all our social games. The nondual mode of relatedness, wherein all events are infinite,

simultaneous, interactive chain reactions (of causes and results) is what we experience as the universe. The nondual mode of relationship is nature's way of creating, fostering, and supporting the relationship of all relationships we call life or being. We all participate to some extent as children, but nondual awareness can be hard to sustain in a corrupt society.

Individually, we seem to have little effect or direct influence on the universal scale of relationship but, with 8+ billion of us on our way to 9 billion, choosing the win+win way of life will make a huge difference. The win+win mode is the one we all need to foster and support to sustain a successful civilization.

Not using our best relational strategy is insanely foolish. At national and international levels, "winners take all" monopolism is a symptom of the lose-lose Endgame scenario of the win/lose debt-money game. Getting something worthwhile for nothing is an illusion. Whether obvious or not, we are all inseparably interconnected. So, win/lose multinational con-games eventually cause lose+lose results. For civilization as a whole, the nondual and win+win modes are the only sustainable modes of relationship.

### **The Essentials of Integrity**

**The 4-fold basics** of ecospheric realization and praxis enable freedom from 4 perversions of personal and/or cultural being. Sustaining personal integrity requires realizing the

1. sacred preciousness of human life and its rare potential for experiencing great wisdom & benefit
2. the ever-changing transience of the world, everything, everybody & every place,
3. the inescapable law of interdependent interaction, the instant inseparability of cause & effect
4. the fundamentally unsatisfactory nature of egoic normality & unliberated consciousness.

The 4 basic perversions subvert and limit cultural integrity & wellness:

1. The hedonistic/narcissistic delusion that unrestrained ego-gratification & sense-gratification are the prime goals of life
2. Materialism, the belief that the ego's self-world concepts are independent, concrete realities, and that life is no more than the sum of mindless physical parts
3. Nihilistic negativism is thinking that the universe is without natural logic, order, meaning and value, often justifying indulgence in psychopathic normality
4. Temporal eternalism, a delusional belief in the illusion of time and an unchanging permanence of the ego, entities, objects and worlds

### **The Triune Mindbody**

The principles, functions and modes of physicality, mentality, spirituality and personality led to shamanic recognition of three aspects of human being, a lower or deep *self* (subconscious), middle *self* (*conscious* mind), and high *self* (supra-conscious). The italics are used here to indicate the notional nature of self and *normal* consciousness, very questionable notions indeed. Ecospheric ecotherapy enables dehypnosis, liberation

from robotic routines, ecocidal mania, excess stress, distress, damage and sufferings of a droid-like *self* to a truly lively presence of pure awareness, unbridled creativity and self-reliance.

**Natural Mind:** Instead of a subconscious level of personality, sub-personalities, repressed fragments, urges, drives and so on, the ancients related all that to the realm of nature: earth spirits, animalistic entities and totemic beings serving various purposes, helpful and/or harmful. If the individual was out of harmony, the balance of the communal ecology was proportionally disrupted, causing symptoms of distress and disease.

Buddhist psychology and metaphysics recognizes the primordial existence of habitual tendencies in the Alaya (All Ground) of the individual, in other words, the energetic matrix of each personal subfield of universal being. Rupert Sheldrake noticed this and called it the habits of nature.[\[?\]](#)

When the habits, karmic energy and momentum of a subfield conflict with the primal principles and flow of the universal field, disharmony and troubles mount. Restoring primal awareness, natural spontaneity, deep intuition, original grace and harmony with nature and spirit is essential for wholeness and wellness of body and mind. Ecotherapy fosters restoration of balance *within* and *beyond* the subfield of the individual.

**Cultural Mind:** Personal identity is not only meaningless without a cultural context, but also impossible. Personal *reality* and cultural *reality* are functions of each other, sustaining our middle *self's* mind. In our original paradigm, individual human beings are spiritual beings with mythic tribal personas and roles, complementing the other beings of Mother Earth's world. In ancient Chinese Way, the core of human being is the connecting ridge pole that unites Earth with Heaven (nature & body with mind & spirit), supporting the universal ecosphere, the home-lodge of life. It was also recognized as a microcosmic embodiment of the central axis mundi of the macrocosmos.

Primitive spiritual cultures see each member as a unique expression of one or more archetypal characters, each with essential roles and duties to fulfill for the sake of natural balance and cultural commonwealth. In modern psyches, that understanding is typically strained to the point of distortion, unrecognizability or total alienation. The ancient Seers of the Asian and Middle Eastern traditions recognized the modern trend and claimed that the *normal consciousness* of modern civilization is analogous to dreaming or sleep or spiritual death.

When habits become tyrannical rulers of a life, there is little time, energy or space left in it for anything but robotic reaction, consumption, servitude and exploitation. So, the most denatured among us must be born again, restored, one way or another. Ecospheric ecotherapy fosters restoration of a mythic ethos, for a life of value, and meaning worth sustaining.

**Spiritual Mind:** The primitive recognition of a high *self* or a realm of being above and beyond the world of the middle *self*, relates to the realm of spirit, metaphysics, the

paranormal, the infinite supra-natural dimension of immaterial phenomena. If we use the more specific contexts of the ancient Chinese, Indian Vedic and Buddhist Seers (as in seeing reality), the individual human expression of universal being has various layers or levels of intelligence, energetic structure and process. The details will be covered in following sections, below, but the basics give rise to the expression of individual attitude, aspiration, intent and the impetus of purpose at the origin of our psychological and cultural activity.

Ecospheric ecotherapy restores and supports the unitive harmony of our Triune Mindbody as a creative expression of universal being. The deep, middle and high *selves* of primitive psychotherapy relate to much more than Freud or even Jung could conceive within the disintegrative paradigm of the materialist-mechanist linguistic context.

We can now see that the ancient Greeks saw the psychophysical dimensions of cosmos/oikos (ecos/world, home of Life), *somos* (body), *logos* (logic, voice/communication), *pathos* (empathy, feeling), *nöos* (mind, thought), *ethos* (virtue/character), and *sophos* (sacred wisdom) being intrinsic to the realm of *persona*.

Most of the ancient Greek philosophers, like their gifted shamanic forerunners, saw us as being endowed with a trinity of trinities: the principles of integrity, identity and personality, expressing the essence, nature and energies of the ecosphere, logosphere and nöosphere. The truth is that we are all at home here. All forms of being belong to and in (and are expressions of) the infinite field of universal being.

### **The 3 Dimensions of Realization**

Psychophysical being can be as simple as the countless virions, viroids and microbes or as complex as plants, animals and human beings. Full expression and experience of mentality requires awareness and realization that support understanding.

There are 3 levels, spheres, and modes of realization: essence, nature and energy, or gross, subtle and very subtle. That enables the expressions and realization of trinity. Life provides opportunities to experience phenomena expressing trinity. Abiding realizations of trinity enable and sustain personal and cultural wellness.

### **The 4 Basics of Harmony**

**The 4 great Truths:** There are 4 basic necessities for sustaining true happiness & freedom from suffering:

1. Some pain, suffering and dissatisfaction are inherent possibilities of life.  
Understanding the relative nature of suffering is wisdom.
2. Understanding the psychophysical nature of pain, suffering and dissatisfaction enables understanding the causes. The typical causes involve inappropriate expectations, assumptions, beliefs, cravings or delusions that prevent a happy, fulfilling experience of life.
3. When we understand the socially conditioned causes of suffering we can minimize or prevent extra pain and dissatisfaction. It becomes possible to eliminate suffering and live with basic contentment.

4. Ending dissatisfaction and suffering usually requires more than a little special effort, requiring major re-education and retraining of our minds and ways of living.

The way recommended by Buddha involved total commitment to 8 essentials: 1) appropriate intentions, 2) optimal thinking, 3) optimal communication, 4) optimal behavior, 5) appropriate livelihood (work/craft), 6) optimal concentration/focus, 7) appropriate attention, and 8) appropriate wisdom.

The reason for the success of that program is that results have causes, and good quality causes can only produce good results, sooner or later.

### **The 4 Transpersonal Qualities**

Ecospheric consciousness enables and sustains 1) serene bliss, 2) all-embracing friendliness, 3) all-encompassing generosity and 4) all-inclusive relatedness.

### **The 6 Toxins & Antidotes**

The anti-biocentric negativities (emotional obsessions, etc.) always cause toxic biochemical secretions. The remedial opposites promote healing, recovery, sustainable wellness and greater happiness. Joy and true happiness support bodily immunity and tend to foster healthy longevity.

The toxic states are:

1. hubris, false pride, arrogant conceit,
2. jealousy, envy & competitive strife
3. inappropriate attachment & obsession,
4. foolish self-delusion, selective inattention, stubborn ignorance & denial
5. insatiable craving & grasping, greed
6. hateful hostility, ill-will & inappropriate rage.

Obviously, the antidotes to the toxic negativities are 1) humility/modesty, 2) appreciation & helpfulness, 3) appropriate relationship & compassion, 4) wisdom & awareness, 5) generosity & contentment, and 6) serene bliss, empathy & loving kindness.

### **The Practice & Modes**

Personal healing and sustainable wellness are inseparable from cultural healing & wellness. Ecospheric ecotherapy & ecopsychology require biocentric dehypnosis & reprogramming—neo-shamanic multimodal psychotherapy—evolutionary transpersonal therapy with psycho+somatic intervention & mentoring.

### **Ecospheric Feng Shui**

We can thrive in communities, spaces and places that support and enhance personal and cultural wellness. Neo-primitive ecotecture integrates the best of ancient and modern architecture, ecology and ecopsychology.

Optimal ecotecture integrates the best qualities of Feng Shui and other ancient arts of design and construction of beneficial environments for healthy, happy families and communities. Ecotects must work with appropriate teams serving the needs, esthetics and aspirations of alliance members, including bioethical organizations & communities.



With rising sea-levels accelerating, ecotects will soon be needed for an increasingly severe migration crisis. Inevitably, what's left of buildings still standing in coastal waters will be salvaged. Great planning and making the best use of recycled materials for new ultraGreen communities will be as important as designing the environments and interiors of SeaArks and SkyArks.

Note: See *Appendix A*, below, for the Green Rating Form.

## **Healing Society and Government**

Healing civilization requires spiritual healing at scale, cultural exorcism. That can be enhanced and expedited by ASI-advisors. That requires collaborative cooperation and consulting with all appropriate system development team members & therapists. The necessary revision of the dominant monetary paradigm will require across-the-board transitional upgrades to post-ecocidal meta-economics. Ecophilic psychotherapists and ecopsychologists will be key players in developing reliable, bioethical ASI-advisors and ASI-auditors.

Competent governance requires ecocentric spiritual community and council, based on bioethical values, informed by ecospheric awareness and compassion in action. Appropriate involvement of ecotherapists & ecopsychologists will be essential for the transition of governments to ecospheric competency and political sanity.

## **Nurturing Sane Civilization**

Neo-ecotopian psychotherapists and psychologists will be key participants in the transition from civilized dystopia to a civilization worth sustaining. Anyone contributing to the evolutionary development of optimal ecotherapy deserves all the support we can give them.

This is only the beginning of a new approach to natural wellness and optimal healing. It may enable cultural wellness for all, all families, all communities and all generations, for at least as long as our planetary habitat remains livable.

## **15 :: EFFECTIVE POLICY**

Evil is a symptom of ignorance. – Socrates, (paraphrased) ca. 2500 BP

What is the difference, if any, between civilization and dystopia? It depends on principles, values, ethics, policy and results.

Institutionalized ignorance and selective inattention spawn conceited arrogance. That breeds and defends ignorant delusion, self-destructive dysfunctionality and terminal unsustainability. A healthy commonwealth of cooperatives, communities, cultures, and nations requires a practical founding charter and appropriate policies that implement bioethical governing principles.

Existing governments and the UN fail to enable or ensure high QOL for all generations, nor even survival. Existing politics and legal systems lack adequate bioethical principles, appropriate policy directives, and enforcement protocols that can stop global ecocide-for-profit.

The MECA Charter and By-laws, an organizational constitution, and bioethical policy document is in progress. Yet, for anyone who wants to start or upgrade an organization, there are too many possible models and options to cover them here in sufficient detail. Yet, some of the options are presented after the following outline of basic necessities.

1. Founding Agreement, including
  - a. Statement of intent
  - b. Prime directive
  - c. Ecospheric objectives
  - d. Agreement to the values & bioethics
  - e. Commitment to the purpose
  - f. Commitment to the stated mission
2. Organizational charter
  - a. Dedication & statement of purpose
  - b. Brief mission statement & philosophy
  - c. Prime directive & organizational objectives
  - d. Description of organizational structure
  - e. Description of operations & benefits
  - f. Governance & ethics policy
  - g. The team & staff
  - h. Compensation
  - i. Employee stock ownership program (ESOP), if any
  - j. Exit or dissolution policy
3. Organizations' by-laws
  - a. Typical form, plus bioethical restrictions
  - b. Additional protocols to sustain the mission
4. Policy documentation
  - a. Summary: bioethical philosophy
  - b. Standard of values
  - c. Code of ethics
  - d. Operational policy
  - e. PR policy
  - f. Compensation, royalties, benefits, etc.
  - g. Charity & grantmaking
  - h. Fiduciary responsibilities
  - i. Legal liability
  - j. Misconduct & response
  - k. Termination
  - l. Dissolution
5. Owner-member Agreements for
  - a. Staff members
  - b. Individual contractors
  - c. Organizational members

6. Strategic alliance Agreements for
  - a. MECA hub NGOs + ECCU\* services
  - b. Alliances with subsidiary associations
  - c. MECA sister-level org.s
  - d. External groups or business allies
  - e. Individual MECA members & allies
  - f. Allied member+member groups

\* ECCU = an ecospheric cultural credit system

For ideal support of the alliance and mission, subsidiary bioethical organizations can be structured in many ways. For example, cooperative businesses use many different ways to minimize interference by governments, minimize their costs, and for optimum effectiveness. The same is true of various kinds of associations, whether not-for-profit or for-profit, for public benefit or for mutual benefit (of employee-owners and/or customers). The multilevel network of community-owned Mondragon corporations provide great examples of successful, time-tested planning, management, and functionality.

There are also many ways to structure a consortium. It depends on the

- a) purpose & mission
- b) member organizations and
- c) a vast number of possibilities

The same is true of strategic enterprise alliances. Documents for legally establishing the MECA will include final versions of all the documents mentioned above.

## 16 :: ORGANIZATIONAL PRIORITIES

This is a review of the priorities that sustain the most ancient cultures and successful modern communities and organizations. The Mondragon community alliance of Spain is one of the most successful.

Yet, more than a few successful religious communities have existed for centuries in North America, Europe, Asia, and elsewhere. What they all have in common with the ancient primitive civilizations is deeply ingrained faith in their ethos and their unanimous commitment to sustaining their communities, their relationships, traditions, and values.

The technical and organizational structure and functions of a global alliance can support as much diversity as exists in this world. A new global community credit system will neutralize the negative effects of the central banking cartel and its parasitic system.

We can integrate the best, most effective ways of the ancient and modern sustainable cultures and communities. To do it, we need to start with and sustain whole-hearted commitment to Green success and a desire for well-being, security, happiness, and healthy affluence. We need to turn counter-productive fear and worry—about failure, deficiency, suffering and poverty—into strength and effective action.

Otherwise, just as there can be no ethos without values, there can be no successful culture or community without commitment to great ethos. Great ethos inspires and supports social success and cultural wellness.

However, bioethical culture requires general honesty, fairness, and common decency. That should be easy to sustain, but ethos is usually local and regional. Trying to impose an artificial global ethos would be like trying to get the people of an ancient primitive culture to give up their favorite kinds of architecture and building materials for geodesic domes or shacks made of metal and plastic.

Yet, with compassionate wisdom and a thriving, AI-enhanced gifting economy, we could all enjoy GDH (general domestic happiness) and high QOC (quality of culture). It seems fair to ask if either ever exist here? Yes, some First Nations of Earth sustained high QOC for millennia.

Still, until GDH is established, we need to fully research, develop, and experience more of the most ancient ways and means of sustainable success and cultural wellness, for healthy families and communities. Jared Diamond's book, [\*Collapse: How Societies Choose to Fail or Succeed\*](#), lists five of the critical factors that determine our fate:

1. environmental impact
2. climate change
3. neighboring allies and enemies
4. loss and gain of trading partners
5. society's responses to all the above

The first two factors are interdependent, interrelated, and interactive. Agriculture, construction, industry, and war cause massive deforestation and radical climate change, aggravating and accelerating disaster. All the factors relate to use of our minds as much as anything.

The failed civilizations of Europe, Asia, the Middle-East, Africa, Polynesia, and the ancient Americas all suffered typically terminal defects: misconceptions, misunderstandings, missed opportunities, misuse of inner and outer resources. However, Diamond covered several little-known societies that faced terminal crises, responded effectively, adapted, and succeeded.

How? Analysis revealed 2 other prerequisites that foster the other determinants of cultural health and longevity. That gives us 7 essentials of sustainable success:

1. A viable paradigm, an ecocentric sociocultural context supporting ecospheric awareness and a sane worldview
2. Loving respect for nature, sustaining commitment to the joy and wellness of children, elders, compassionate spiritual leaders and wise guardians
3. Biocentric awareness and empathy, compassionate sensitivity to environmental conditions, fostering and supporting optimum quality of life for all generations
4. Consciousness of climate change with commitment to eliminating or mitigating causes and contributing factors, minimizing severity and excess damage

5. Commitment to sustainably healthy relations with neighbors, allies and enemies alike, fostering constant improvement with Win-Win strategies
6. Thriving through ongoing development and maintenance of beneficial policies, initiatives and enterprises, supporting lively cultural exchange with economic allies and competitors, minimizing negativity, harms, damage and losses
7. Positive responsiveness, creative responses to whatever challenges healthy sociocultural success

With a bioethical paradigm and abiding commitment to lively commonwealth and cultural wellness can grow out of near disaster.

We, its members decide whether human society will succeed and rise or fail and fall, and how either result happens. Yet, any society lacking a valid conceptual foundation, lacking adequate concern for the wellness of children, elders, nature and the general quality of life, lacks a durable basis for making consistently wise decisions and life-enhancing responses.

So, our top priority is clearly establishment of a bioethical paradigm and an effective strategy enabling ways to cooperate, for the good of all generations. Strategic democratic design, a discipline developed over nearly 50 years, provides an effective approach to starting the transition to a future worth creating.

Not using the best of ancient wisdom and modern ways and means, avoiding a horrific worst-case Endgame scenario would be highly unlikely. So, the next section offers some neo-primitive wisdom for a paradigm of leadership that can sustain a sane ecospheric civilization.

## **17 :: Effective Leadership**

Treat others the way you want to be treated by them. – Kong Zi (Confucius)

In the examples of the Greenest “B” corporations and even the worst corporations on Earth, most supporters are followers or, at best, team players, not leaders.

As is, the way of the world guarantees that will remain true until we change. That may require several generations of ecospheric culture that fosters and supports systemic development of the talents and skills of good leadership. That will take growing support for the process, and a coherent policy that makes the nature and ways of good leadership a matter of common knowledge.

It would be wonderful if we could all turn into the great leaders we were all waiting for, all at once, ASAP. Now though, that day seems as far off as it was in ancient China, 2600 to 2500 years ago.

Like most other members of the primate species, we are social animals with ancient tendencies either to cooperate or compete, and lead or be led. The percentage is obviously very different per population but, if the 0.01% of us use an extreme example of financial brute force to maintain their top dog status, and 10% of us excel in other realms of human

leadership, our percentage of leaders averages around 5%, nearly equaling the alpha percentile of chimpanzees and wolves.

Naturally, it would be wonderful if all our leaders would cooperate to lead the other 95% of us into a sane ecospheric future, ASAP. Saving ourselves from ecocidal kleptocracy without a sudden leadership miracle would also be wonderful. Yet, the normal political processes of modern government are nowhere near effective enough for a global-scale solution soon enough. One untried option may work, an AI-enhanced modern version of the ancient tribal council model, with chiefs, chosen for competence and compassionate wisdom. Numerous texts on the working examples are available online. We have much to learn from the Mondragon community cooperatives, among others.

Great leaders foster and support great cooperation and stewardship, not just ownership and anti-ethical success.

Whatever works best for certain groups or populations, the sooner we start R&D, productive discussion, planning and preparation, the better our global outcome will be. The opposition will not take any time-outs or slow down for us, and the global environmental crisis is accelerating exponentially.

Though the sources and realizations integral to [\*Builders of the Dawn\*](#) seem a bit dated, its relevance is as fresh today as ever. If founding members of a core group now choose to co-create a highly effective global alliance of humanitarian NGOs and communities, *Builders of the Dawn* will foster and support our great effectiveness and sustainable success. But scaling up innovative leadership and stewardship from the community level to the global level will take all the wisdom, creativity and skill we can bring to the task.

Corinne McLaughlin's approach to [\*Visionary Leadership\*](#) seems a perfect way to start, and she will probably be glad to help. Yet, the good counsel of ancient China's masters of wisdom provides timeless help. Here are a few examples from The Classic on the Great Way (pinyin: Dao De Jing, old Ltn., Tao Te Ching):

*Before the universe, there was Presence — deep, formless, silent, mateless —  
even now, impregnating itself and giving birth.*

*Its essence is single and changeless, the motherhood of Heaven and Earth — its  
nature, limitless from beyond being.*

*We can never really know or name it, yet I refer to it as Dao, the Way. When  
need prompts lending another name, I call it Dē, the Great.*

*Greatness implies transcendent growth, ever greater expansion completion,  
return, new growth.*

*Dao is perfection. Heaven is great and Earth is great. Thus, the noble leader is  
great. These are the Four Great Blessings:*

*King and Queen showing the way of a great people.*

*People showing the greatness of Earth.*

*Earth showing the greatness of Heaven.*

*Heaven showing the greatness of Dao, and its greatness in the whole. ~ V. 25*

*Nameless Dao, without acclaim, leaves nothing undone. Where king and queen live this truth the course of the nation runs straight — the people reform themselves.*

*If crooked desires start leading them astray, nip them at the root with pure, humble simplicity. With pure, humble simplicity they are free of disgrace, enjoying peace.*

*Neither disgraced nor ruled by greed, naturally, they are freed.*

*Righteousness, the right use of life, is Heaven and Earth united by simply being, naturally. ~ V. 37*

*If you feel deflated, were you too puffed up? If you feel weakened, were you so strong? If you feel deserted, were you able to share?*

*Remember, for what you take, you must surely give.*

*What is seeing the light? The unseen being clearly revealed.*

*The strong, by the weak may be conquered.*

*Consider the fish pulled out of the depths, or weapons best left concealed.*

*Likewise with people and hidden wisdom. ~ V. 36*

*At one with Dao, the ancients realized this: From beyond the beginning of time, the oneness of life can be seen in all things —  
in Heaven, in the living light of the infinite expanse —  
in Earth, her balance, her valleys, her fullness —  
in the river, the sea, family and fertility —  
in Spirit, integrity, the original grace of divinity —  
in harmony of mind and body —  
in kings and queens of free people —  
in strength, contentment and peace —  
living wisdom in joy and service,  
all being secure in wholeness*

*Of only this One can we safely say:*

*Were Heaven without this clarity, without this light — no being, no life, just fragments, that's all.*

*Were Earth without balance, without stability and fertility — dry rivers, dead seas, barren valleys just a void, a total loss, that's all.*

*Were Spirit without divine grace and integrity — no harmony of Heaven and Earth — potency and creativity could not be.*

*Where kings and queens are not truly great and noble — no clarity, no serenity, no joy, no future — support crumbles, they will fall.*

*Without a solid base and deep foundation, the highest tower will fall.  
Nobility grows from the base, the one root.*

*Great leaders, realizing their source and situation, sincerely say they are lowly servants.*

*Riding in a chariot of many parts, see its unity showing equality and wholeness as well.*

*The great leader loves harmony, peace, not praise, nor the brilliant glitter of jewels, but the pure strength of a mountain. ~ V. 39*

*True righteousness is not morality, thus being truly good.*

*Moralism defines its good, but has none in itself.*

*Being wise, the wise need not pretend it, unmoved by thought of gain or loss.*

*Being truly loving, the kind gain without trying.*

*Being insane, pretenders are obsessed — with delusions of wealth, power and pleasure.*

*Caring mostly about ideas of justice, you think of possible loss or gain.*

*Caring about society's rules, when people do not do as you like, you indulge in angry display to enforce your favorite customs.*

*Why? First you lose reason. Then you rely on virtue. But virtue is lost, so you try kindness.*

*Failing at kindness you resort to justice.*

*Lacking justness you turn to conventional tradition, the perversion of integrity and loyalty.*

*That poisonous flower of society becomes the bitter fruit of disharmony, bearing the seeds of a wasteland.*

*Fools teach with fine sounding words, promoting delusion and fantasy, spreading confusion.*

*The wise stay with the root, truthful simplicity. ~ V. 38*

*True perfection seems to begin and end, incomplete, yet endlessly continues.*

*True greatness seems impractical, worthless, useless, yet its work never stops.*

*Universal space, the greatest fullness — empty, yet remains inexhaustible.*

*The greatest curve may seem a straight line. Great skill may look clownish or clumsy. Great wisdom may sound crude or rude.*

*A great teacher may seem simple-minded or crazy.*

*Activity overcomes cold. Stillness overcomes heat. So, let harmony and serenity rule the world. ~ V. 45*

*The wise let excellence be its own reward, avoiding resentment, jealousy, strife and betrayal.*

*The wise do not collect rare luxuries, nor indulge in proud display. They incite no envy, theft or hostility.*

*The aim of wise leaders is opening hearts and minds, filling bellies, quenching desires. Calm the people's fears, deflate their ambitions, strengthening bones and will. Clarify their thoughts, cleanse the wants — so no clever cheats can abuse them.*

*No conflict, constraint, or force — good government comes naturally. ~ V. 3*

*Dao, nameless being — inconceivable and naturally humble — seems so insignificant. Yet, who would dare to disrespect it?*

*Able leaders, staying with it uphold natural integrity, harmony and fidelity uniting Heaven and Earth. Fertility refreshes all with rains and dews,*



*freely, naturally, without command. But people devised society and culture, with their classes, status, and rules. Keeping up such divisions and differences, it will end, but who knows when or how?*

*Come to the end of all those differences, suffer no more of their injuries. All relations meet in the presence of Dao. Being is like streams and rivers joining the great ocean. ~ V. 32*

*Hungry for knowledge, you add to yourself daily. Finding the Way, you lose that self, gladly.*

*With ever less to think and do, the Way keeps fulfilling you.*

*Doing nothing, Dao grants everything, nothing left undone. For not getting involved, nor wanting control, the world sustains the One who rules.*

*Otherwise, the world proves useless concerns and goals as worthless as all the schemes of clever fools. ~ V. 48*

*Weapons of war are tools of misfortune, of all things, to be most despised.*

*Those who respect Dao will not have them.*

*During war, those virtuous during peace may give up higher for lower qualities — making false sacrifice a false virtue.*

*The wise value peace and integrity, not instruments of destruction. When, of necessity, their use is chosen, it gives them no joy. They see no beauty, but evil in such things.*

*Those who think them beautiful think victory wonderful and enjoy harming and killing. Enjoying evil and murder, but not for long, they neither rule nor last for long.*

*At best, people honor their higher side. At worst, they honor their lower side.*

*Letting inferior officials take the lead, wisdom is declined. Then the great must follow behind, as in the procession of a state funeral.*

*Multitudes of people being killed by people is a cause for sorrow and grief.*

*Attend your victory as a funeral ceremony. ~ V. 31*

*In helping kings or queens stay with the Great Way, I warn against wars of conquest. Offensive action returns to an aggressor.*

*Armies sow a hateful harvest of grief — a wasted land of graves, pain, hunger, hate and burning thirst for revenge.*

*A great general dares to march, stop, or retreat — never presses victory too far, does only what must be done — not for glory, show, nor self, and never from anger.*

*Things ripen, then fall. Force is not the Way.*

*Without the Way they meet an early end. ~ V. 30*

*Trying to conquer the whole world — to make of it what one wants — brought success to no one, ever.*

*The world is not a thing to be grasped.*

*Like a magical chalice, it is so sacred that — as the hand of evil grasps at it, it becomes an awful doom — lost from the start.*

*So, the ancients said:*

*Some force themselves ahead. Some stay to the rear.*

*Some gloat and boast loudly. Some remain silent.*

*Some are fat and hungry. Some lean and content.*

*One who rises will fall.*

*Here is wisdom for all occasions:*

*Never over-indulge, over-rate, or over-reach. Avoid what is too rich, too hard,  
or too much. ~ V. 29*

*Soar on the male and female powers as wings, becoming a river of life and a  
womb of the world.*

*Neither uplifted by fame, nor lowered by shame, become an endless valley of  
the world.*

*Righteous as a babe, continually give birth, being the endless dwelling of  
grace. Being a valley of the world, continually conduct the single essence —  
the primal principle of integrity — filling useful vessels on the way.*

*Realizing purity, remain earthy. Great wisdom remains complete. Great  
wisdom being complete, return to the purity of uncarved wood.*

*Seeing the light at one with the dark, be the ideal model for the world. Being  
an unfailing fountain of good, return to living infinity.*

*Cutting the tree and carving the wood may make many useful vessels.*

*Yet the great one with simple integrity — as servant of servants, leader of  
leaders — makes truly great carvings, without cutting up anything. ~ V. 28*

*The Way has born them. Its power feeds them. Presence shapes them.*

*Experience completes them.*

*So, all beings respect the Great Way. They recognize greatness,  
spontaneously, naturally, without command.*

*Dao gives us all being and life. Dao nurses, raises, and completes. It feeds and  
shelters all. We can do likewise.*

*Be protector, not possessor, teacher not ruler. Seeking well-being, not  
gratitude, this is the heart of greatness. ~ V. 51*

*Gravity is the root and balance of lightness.*

*Stillness masters and measures speed.*

*So, a seasoned traveler, however urgent the journey, takes care for the sake of  
the load; and, however promising the shorter road, stays cool, calmly in  
the lead. Well aware of this, amid glory and beauty, the wise gladly keep  
to the path.*

*Will a great leader waste many fine horsemen, madly rushing them to  
destruction? Swiftly uprooting balance and reason, one quickly becomes  
master of none. ~ V. 26*

*Is there need of trouble, or fear of going astray while traveling a great  
highway, or down a rough, winding road into a dark, unfamiliar alley?*

*The Great Way is smooth and easy.*

*Yet, most people find dangerous paths more familiar.  
Such very grand mansions, such very poor farms.  
So many empty granaries, yet some seem so wealthy, so proud of fine clothes,  
luxuries, and so many deadly weapons.  
Though some always eat and drink too much, the more they have, the more  
they take. Is their thievery only nature's way, as they say?  
I say, No! Their way is far from the great Way. ~ V. 53*

*In governing people and serving Heaven effectiveness is all important. So, be  
moderate, yet respond swiftly to Dao. Respond quickly only with Dao.  
Perfection is said to come of great effort. Regularly starting early and  
working long some say, produces great advantage.  
Gain ever more advantage, they say and you can overcome anything.  
Yet, thinking there is nothing that cannot be overcome, who knows where it  
will end? Knowing no limit, why not try to possess the world?  
Embrace the world's Mother, perfection.  
Be ever at ease, with deep roots, a strong base. Enjoy a long life at one with  
the Way, with limitless vision. ~ V. 59*

*Rule a great nation like you cook little fish, with great care and attention. Let  
the Great Way guide the nation, then troubled ghosts will haunt no one.  
If there are powerful spirits, their power will be harmless. Not only will their  
power be harmless, no sorcerer will harm anyone.  
These truths are of the one Presence which harms no one, blessing all with its  
one essence. ~ V. 60*

*The great leader is rarely noticed. Common leaders are praised and obeyed.  
Inferior leaders are feared and hated.  
The lowest are ridiculed and insulted.  
Lacking faith, people have no faith in them.  
The great one often seems unsure, undecided.  
Careful with words, but more so with deeds, fulfill your destiny and the  
people's needs, settling affairs of the state.  
The people then may truly say it all happened naturally. ~ V. 17*

*Enact the effectiveness of non-action. Serve without worldly concerns.  
Express spontaneous grace. Savor the flavorless. Appreciate the great in the  
small and the small in the great.  
Reward injury and hate with compassion. See a problem before it grows  
complicated. Solve a large problem while it is yet small.  
The most difficult problem in the world is solved easily in the beginning. The  
world's greatest challenge can be met at the beginning, while small.  
Without attempting great challenges the wise accomplish greatness.  
Promises easily given are believed by few. The easy way sows a harvest of  
difficulties. Easy come, easy go.  
The wise see things as they are, free of trouble to the end. ~ V. 63*

*What is at rest is easy to keep still. What has not come to be is easy to avoid.  
What is yet weak is easy to break. A little trash is easily taken out.  
Manage things before they happen. Cure the cause before symptoms appear. A  
giant tree began as a tiny sprout. A great tower rises brick by brick.  
A thousand-foot climb begins at your feet.  
Whoever tries to improve life ruins it. Whoever would own life loses it. The  
wise ruin nothing and lose nothing.  
The worldly fail, just before completion.  
See the end from the start without failing.  
The wise know only fulfillment, beyond desiring.  
Beyond treasures and possessions, welcome learning, and unlearning, beyond  
the noise of the world and the fleeting fancies of the crowd.  
In harmony and tranquility, help the whole universe evolve with the non-  
action of Dao, naturally. ~ V. 64*

*Among the ancients there were great leaders true to the Way. They could not  
enlighten the people. So, they aimed not to teach, but to simplify.  
When people know too much, being smart but not wise, government is  
difficult. Where cleverness rules, government is a curse.  
Without great cleverness, government is a blessing.  
Understand life's ancient example. Abiding awareness of the example was  
called Great Integrity.  
This deep integrity is infinitely far-reaching, being at one with all things. This  
is returning to the Great Harmony. ~ V. 65*

*The kings and queens of valleys and waters are the great rivers and seas.  
Because they reach the lowest, accepting the lesser, they are the greatest.  
Caring, watching over the people, the great one — whose meaning is deep,  
whose words are humble — leads, yet follows them.  
The great one stays above them without burdening them, ahead of them  
without blocking them.  
The people never tire of the guardian of peace, who they bless and praise with  
joy, who with nothing to oppose or promote, has nothing to argue or  
dispute.*

*No one can argue with one who settles conflict before it begins. ~ V. 66*

*When people no longer respect authority, nor suffer awful dread of violent  
power, the worst of great fears will soon occur.  
Never over-limit them, let them live freely.  
Never oppress them, let them be happy. Simply by not oppressing or  
depressing them, no rebellion grows among them.  
Either set them at ease or let them be.  
Neither over-limit yourself, nor exhaust yourself. Accepting yourself, why  
promote yourself? Truly loving yourself, never betray yourself.  
Choose one way or the other.*

*Take what you need. Leave the rest. ~ V. 72*

*People who are not afraid of death cannot be threatened with execution.*

*If the peace is secure, the people stable and content, then they fear the necessity of death.*

*If they do fear it, even so, some will defy it and commit grave offenses.*

*Yet, none escape the Great Executioner. If we arrest them, who should dare try to act the part of the Great Executioner?*

*Surely not a human being! The young apprentice is not the Master. Killing people for the Great Executioner is like a beginner using a master's blade.*

*When wielding that Master's blade, the apprentice is injured. ~ V. 74*

*If people have little to eat, taxes took too much.*

*The faults of the hungry are those of their rulers. If people are rebellious, officials expected too much.*

*People take death lightly when obsessed with intense desires — passions, dreams of justice, freedom, and power to bring down the high and mighty — to strip down the fat and greedy, to achieve revenge and prosperity.*

*Be alive, not obsessed, more alive than one who would cling to life regardless of the cost. ~ V. 75*

*The heavenly Way is like stringing a bow. The tip is pulled down, the bottom pulled up, the slack drawn tight. So, the arrow of truth is ready for flight.*

*The inexhaustible wealth of life is released to nourish the hungry, nature's cycle complete.*

*Such is the way of Heaven, those who have more than enough giving to those who have too little.*

*Not so, the way of the world, taking from those who have too little, for those who always have too much.*

*Is there one with enough wealth to share with all? Yes! The child of Dao, benefits all, yet not for praise.*

*The wise work for all, not for riches. Their aim is true, not to outdo. Their excellence is not for show, but to share with all. ~ V. 77*

*Nothing in the world is weaker more fluid, more yielding than water. Yet, nothing is better at overcoming the strong, the hard, the unyielding.*

*Nothing is greater to resist it. Weakness conquers strength. The flexible outlasts the rigid. All of us know it, but who practices it?*

*So, the ancient Sages said:*

*Take the blame for the people's error and vice. Be worshipped as Lord at the Great Sacrifice.*

*Taking the blame for their ills and curses, be King of the World, hailed in their verses. Truth is paradox. ~ V. 78*

*When finally settled, a long, bitter conflict leaves bad feelings remaining.*

*Who would think that good?*

*The wise accept losses and a greater destiny, expecting little, demanding nothing, with greater fortune remaining.*

*The good can afford to be generous. Those who lack true generosity cannot afford goodness.*

*Heaven has no favorites, but the good favor Heaven. ~ V. 79*

*If states are small and peoples' wants few, if leaders have power, but not for abuse, people will not yearn for distant lands.*

*They will die for their own, but not lightly.*

*Having great ships and fine carriages, contented people would not leave in them. Having mighty armor and weaponry, when would they use them?*

*If people return to the customs of old — in their simple meals finding hearty joy, in simple clothes beauty, living in the family home, staying happy.*

*Then, if one village grew near enough to another to hear the other's dogs barking and its cocks crowing, folks could live long and well in their own, without once needing to visit the other. ~ V. 80*

*Truthful words are not flattering. Flattery is not truth.*

*The sane do not argue. Persuaders are not truly sane.*

*The wise realize what they do not know. An educated fool is a fool just the same. The good? Not having much, they are few.*

*Many possessing too much is not good. The enlightened one collects nothing.*

*The more you care for others, the greater you become. The more you give to others, the richer you become.*

*The Way of Heaven helps without harm. With the Great Way, beyond competing, the sane generate wealth for all, without possessing. ~ V. 81*

*Which is more real, you or your name? Which means more, you or your fame?*

*Which gives more, life or your possessions? Which would be the greater loss?*

*Great desire brings great waste. Be humble, not self-deceived.*

*Be content, not self-defeated. Know when to quit, suffering no harm.*

*Blessings of a life well-lived last long. ~ V. 44*

*Knowledge learns from others. Wisdom is home grown. Muscle may rule others while it lasts. Self-mastery outlasts stone.*

*Wealth sustains contentment and lets it grow. Pushing ahead with force is ambition, missing the source of joy and sorrow.*

*Neither forsaken, nor forgotten, stay free of greed and time, lasting long, death left behind. ~ V. 33*

*Great heart and mind stay open and free, not set, nor closed in one self only.*

*In the good see the goodness. In the bad see their goodness, realizing the goodness of the Way. To the honest give faith.*

*To the dishonest show faith, giving them faith in the Way.*

*The wise live in the Presence uniting all with wisdom and the world.*

*Be patient, firm, mindful, and caring for the lost, fragile beings — all your  
wayward children. ~ V. 49*

That ancient way of thinking may seem overly poetic, inscrutable, too optimistic, or unrealistic. The advice may seem impractical for leaders in our violent world of ruthless greed and pervasive corruption. Yet, if it had guided all leaders through the past, this would be ecotopia now — a paradise, a Green Heaven on Earth — with 2500 years of amazing history.

In some ways, even Kong Zi (Confucius) disagreed with Lao Zi, but mainly on methods. Lao Zi was an archivist, advisor, and mentor, not a reformer like Kong Zi. So, though all the ancient ways of leadership are relevant, the empathic leadership idealized by Kong Zi is as important for a global civilization as it is for modern Chinese culture.

The literature on Confucian leadership and good government is vast. Yet, the following excerpt (from [Water Margin](#) by Kong Ming) reveals deep insight into Chinese wisdom on leadership, from at least 1500 after Kong Zi:

*Leaders are responsible for the people's lives. On them hinges success or failure. With them rests happiness or misery.*

*All the great leaders of the past cared for the people as if they were their own children. In times of hardship, they leapt into action. When the glory was parceled out, they stepped back and encouraged others to come forward.*

*They tenderly nursed the wounded, and solemnly buried and mourned those who fell in battle. They offered their own food to the hungry and their own clothing to the cold.*

*They treated talented people with respect and gave them positions of responsibility, and they rewarded and honored the brave. If leaders always behave in this fashion, they are certain to enjoy victory in every instance.*

*The foundation of good government is listening to the opinions of others.*

Obviously, we can expect such great leadership from few if any modern politicians. So, we need a meta-political solution, an alliance of realistic leaders, NGOs, institutions, businesses, creators, healers, and teachers. If there are too few to succeed then, if we want to thrive and survive, we must create enough new ones.

We clearly need to start with civilization's ethos. So, we need leadership appropriate to the complexity of our survival crisis. The right core-group startup team will succeed, with the right policy, planning and startup work. Our meta-political ecospheric cultural alliance (MECA) Leadership Council can initiate and guide the process.

## **18 :: COUNCIL**

White man's achievements are impressive. Yet, he is smart, but not wise. ~ Ishi

For the most ancient of cultures, the importance of communal council is central to the initiation, transmission, and sustainability of community values and ethics. Council is for deciding on issues of vital importance to the community and all its relations, of all species.

Council is not to be trivialized or used for inappropriate purposes. Real respect (not just lip service) for all tribe members and all beings of all species is an essential prerequisite. When a tribe member falls ill or out of grace, the whole tribe falls, yet may rise as well.

Tribal council is an ancient cultural resource that must be protected, conserved, used with appropriate care and gratitude. Fairly often in the early years of a new tribe, special healing councils were called for healing collective dysfunction. Individuals with chronic control dramas, manipulative-exploitive disorders, severe illnesses, deeply wounded psyches and similar misfortunes need the help of a shaman or professional therapist as much as or more than tribal council.

Due to the nature of modern assumptions, attitudes and non-indigenous group dynamics, modern council decision-making may be vulnerable to meetingitis and very talkative, excessively insecure personalities. The modern version of council tends to assure that all who wish to speak will feel heard. That tends to favor people wanting to talk a lot or feel powerful or be acknowledged and validated, regardless of the meeting agenda or the needs of the group or people for whom the meeting was called.

In the ancient modes of tribal council, talk continues only until no one wishes to speak about the topic or issue at hand. Tribal council is usually attended by respected elders, possibly shamans and chiefs or other trusted authorities, one usually acting as presiding moderator. The ancient way of council is more structured—also more spontaneously intuitive—determined more by a consciously shared sense of great wisdom, to be revealed by spirit through the participants and the elders. The ancient council process respects each participant, yet it ensures that the wisdom essential for the best decision is understood. It does that by fostering and maintaining focus on the issues and the presence of wisdom required to co-create the best result.

Without creating appropriate limits and constraints, modern council can enable extensive talking, listening and thinking, regardless of the effectiveness of the process and the results or lack of results. Like modern politics, modern council often suffers from understandable yet unfortunate deficiencies of trust, sensitivity, mutual respect, thus lacking real unity of purpose. The primitive process is founded on trust and faith in the deep relationships of the participants—to each other and the infinite environment of ancient spiritual culture.

Integrating spiritually positive, tribal ways in our council process will produce the best possible results. A neo-primitive council policy is outlined below. It may seem too antique, but if we fail to initiate and sustain equally effective process and protocol, we will fail or suffer less than the best results.

The Six Principles of effective Council are summarized below:

### **Council Principles**

**1 ::** Whenever a meeting is needed, a Council is called and a meeting held. Preliminary purification rites are enacted for all participants. The meeting starts when whoever needs to participate is present. Everyone knows when that is so. The Council and a



leading elder or shaman consecrate and bless a circular space or lodge, making offerings and prayers to spirits, elements, wisdoms, guides and guardians of all directions. Everyone sits together in the circle. The presiding elder or shaman blesses the Council, states the purpose and basic protocol, then starts the session by placing a ceremonial icon, such as a special stone or crystal or "talking stick" at the center of the circle.

**2 ::** The issue to be decided or actions to be considered are presented by the person concerned or appointed to speak first. The meeting may be called to suggest a solution for a single personal problem, to resolve conflicts, plan a collective response to a crisis or a positive opportunity for the tribe.

**3 ::** A person with something to say picks up the talking stick and speaks, without interruption, while everyone else listens. When finished speaking, the speaker returns the talking stick to the center. If there is no talking stick the elder/shaman may call for speakers and responses. Any elder or the council moderator may intervene if a speaker goes off topic, talks far too much, seems to forget what the purpose of the session is or violates protocol.

**4 ::** At any point the shaman or an elder may tell a story of The People. Such a story carries wisdom relating to the issue or topics being considered.

**5 ::** The Council moderator lets the process continue until no one wishes to speak.

**6 ::** The Council's decision will be made when there is consensus, unanimous agreement, either for or against a proposed solution. Decisions may be made in session or later, after giving people time to contemplate and seek wisdom. Difficult decisions on complex issues may involve a long process of dialog among all community members, possibly involving several Council sessions.

For compassionate council sessions, we can emulate the millennial wisdom lineages of both the East and West. Successfully accomplishing our mission will be an achievement more important than the founding of the USA. If we do, it puts us in league with the most durable of ancient governments, among others, of the [Haudenosaunee](#), who issued this call for alliance:

The Haudenosaunee, or Six Nations 'Iriquois' Confederacy, is among the most ancient continuously operating governments in the world. Long before the arrival of European peoples in North America, our people met in council to enact principles of peaceful co-existence among nations, in recognition of the right of the peoples to a continued and uninterrupted existence.

European peoples left our council fires and journeyed forth into the world to spread principles of justice and democracy which they learned from us and which have had profound effects upon the evolution of the modern world.

Brothers and Sisters: When the Europeans first invaded our lands, they found a world filled with bountiful gifts of creation... Everywhere the game was plentiful, and sometimes the birds darkened the sky like great clouds, so great were there numbers. Our country teemed with elk and deer, bear and moose, and we were a happy and prosperous people in those times.

Brothers and Sisters...(Note: ten subsequent paragraphs cataloging Euro-American civilization's genocidal atrocities and ecocidal mania are omitted)

Brothers and Sisters: We cannot adequately express our feelings of horror and repulsion as we view the policies of industry and [modern] government in North America, which threaten to destroy all life. Our forefathers predicted that the European way of life would bring a Spiritual imbalance to the world, that the Earth would grow old as a result of the imbalance. Now it is before all the world to see—the life producing forces are being reversed, and the life-potential is leaving this land. Only a people whose minds are twisted beyond an ability to perceive truth could act in ways which threaten the future generations of humanity.

Brothers and Sisters: We point out to you the Spiritual Path of Right and Reason. We bring to your thought and minds that right-minded human beings seek to promote above all else the life of all things. We direct to your minds that peace is not merely the absence of war, but the constant effort to maintain harmonious existence between all peoples, from individual to individual and between humans and the other beings of this planet. We point out to you that a Spiritual Consciousness is the Path to Survival of Humankind. We who walk about on Mother Earth occupy this place for only a short time. It is our duty as human beings to preserve the life that is here for the benefit of the future generations yet unborn.

Brothers and Sisters: The Haudenosaunee are determined to take whatever actions we can to halt the destruction of Mother Earth. In our territories, we continue to carry out our function as spiritual caretakers of the land. In this role as caretakers we cannot, and will not, stand idly by while the future of the coming generations is being systematically destroyed. We recognize that the fight is a long one and that we cannot hope to win it alone. To win, to secure the future, we must join hands with like-minded people and create a strength through unity.

We commemorate two hundred years of injustice and the destruction of the world with these words.

~ Haudenosaunee Declaration of the Iriquois Nations ~

In considering the above, please remember that, 400 years ago, the European invaders had no experience with fully democratic governments, other than the ones they found functioning here.

The governments of the Haudenosaunee and their kindred cultures excelled both the ancient Greek experiments with democracy and the perverted mutants of today. Coincidentally, one way to translate the Chinese "Dao Dë" (Tao Te) is as the Way of "Reason and Virtue" or "compassionate wisdom and righteous action, the right use of life" or "sanity and greatness."

If the Founding Fathers of the government of the USA had faithfully copied the ancient yet fully functional system of the Haudenosaunee, we might not have an environmental crisis, an energy crisis, a health care crisis, a Middle East crisis, oil wars and bogus wars against terrorism and drugs (that guarantee obscenely high profits). So,

we now have more terrorism, more illegal drug use, more organized crime, more political corruption, more smuggling, narco-terrorism and so on.

With the active help and advice of the Haudenosaunee, the Hopi, the Tibetans and other ancient civilizations, an ecospheric example can set the trend needed to resolve all unnecessary crises and conflicts of the world.

At the very least, we can enjoy the superior quality of life possible with great sanity and co-creative communal harmony. That requires us modern lovers of nature and spirit to cooperate and collaborate with each other, more effectively than our psychopathic opponents.

Otherwise, we might lack enough strength to persist and succeed. Naturally, successful collaboration requires the right team spirit, the spirit of ecospheric communion and community.

## **19 :: COMMUNITY SPIRIT**

Community is a dynamic relationship of relationships. The better the relationships, the stronger the community. Even the quality of an online community of interest depends on the quality of members' relationships and good communication. Without both, a community will lack the most effective cooperation and best results.

Surveys show that many young Americans now consider the American Dream either impossible or inadequate, or worse.

A recent documentary, [The Millennial Dream](#) seems encouraging, but a millennial-scale Vision is absent. Nor is there any mention of the fact that most of the desirable cities shown in the film could be under water within a few decades.

The "millennials" featured and interviewed in the film seem to share a positive sense of community, a communitarian spirit and optimism. Yet, none said anything about how to prevent hundreds of nuclear meltdowns, each worse than Chernoble and Fukushima combined.

That may relate to mental isolation or structural social atomization. Whatever the cause, community spirit is as essential for sustainable community as team spirit is for great teamwork. Yet, without realistic assessment of the actual nature and scope of a challenge, spirit and action lack the effective focus and aim required for success.

That is true of cultures and nations and any other kind of group. So, a global alliance can maximize its effectiveness only with a shared set of ideas, values, and principles. To sustain our greatest possible cooperation, for ultimate success, we need a unifying spirit that lets us transcend divisive egoism and lesser concerns.

What is it? The spirit of ecospheric community must be characterized by compassion, empathy, appreciation, respect, love, devotion, generosity, integrity, sensitivity and altruistic helpfulness. We need the spirit that motivates bioethical action and cooperation for the good of all generations.

Consider a toxic counter-example: 'White supremacy' is a falsehood that perpetuates hate, hostility, conflict, and social chaos. Yet, few modern "whites" know that most racism

is not just a Euro-American 'whiteness' problem. Racism existed in all the civilizations of the past impacted by natural disaster, mass-trauma, and militarism. Most modern city folk also seem to forget that our most ancient ancestors were tribal folk. They once lived mostly in harmony with nature and each other. Our prehistory was not always perfect, yet it seems like "white folks" were the most ruthless colonizers of modern civilization. So, it seems we lighter-skinned folks need a healing conversation with ourselves and our more colorful relatives. It might start like this:

We were once indigenous, tribal folk, living in some village or nomadic community somewhere else. Our ancestors then got extracted or forced out of their ancient homeland and culture. Our autonomous, sovereign tribes and interdependent selves were beaten or worn down into submission, forced assimilation into the conquering culture, for survival. Most of those who resisted or fought against the way of the conquerors were imprisoned or enslaved or killed.

So, some of us now find ourselves caught in a horrible dilemma: being both oppressed and oppressors. Being oppressed generates fear and inevitable hate, yet they can give way and lead to the victims joining their oppressors. For example, some indigenous, black, brown and Asian Americans suffering awful PTSD—either from military warfare or a dangerous degrading neighborhood—rob and harm or kill their neighbors, just to survive.

Now, to do better than just surviving in an insanely violent world, we need to heal and revive the spirit of communal communion, extend it, protect and sustain it. Can we achieve or cultivate understanding and community spirit with people who seem totally committed to maintaining toxic kleptocracy, hate and war, and if so, how?

We learn best by example, imitation and experience. Now, the oldest and most successfully cohesive communities in the world all have at least one thing in common, their members share a common commitment to a coherent set of ideals and/or spiritual values. They enable and govern a unifying spiritual culture that supports commitment to the good of the whole community. That enables fulfillment greater than the satisfaction of any members' individual desires and ambitions.

Most ancient communities have a single religious tradition, but many ongoing examples of less ancient cultures sustain religious pluralism. Our communal unity and sustainability would be enhanced by developing communal rituals we can practice together, around the world. Yet, any such rituals will only help when performed with ecospheric spirit.

Fortunately, rather than trying to create a single new way of group practice, we can follow the way of pluralism and still celebrate ecospheric spiritual values. Also, instead of starting a new cultural blueprint here, collaborative co-creation seems best, with help and advice of indigenous elders, leaders, and healers of the ancient spiritual cultures of Earth.

So, the next section offers the millennial wisdom condensed and reformulated by 'Mahatma' (great soul) M. K. Gandhi, for creating and sustaining a sane civilization and cultural wellness while living in this modern world.

## 20 :: GANDHI ON SUSTAINABILITY

If you want to change the world for the better, change yourself first. ~ Buddha

Note: This section was written in 2006, published on September 11, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi's first act of organized civil disobedience against political corruption, impending tyranny, systematic injustice, and the racist oppression of Apartheid.

On September 11, 1906, in Johannesburg, South Africa, a young Indian lawyer named Mohandas K. Gandhi led 3,000 fellow Indians in a public vow to work against the forces of fascist racism and a new 'law' to require registration and fingerprinting of all 'nonwhite' people. Gandhi promised he would die rather than comply with the tyranny of Apartheid. That set the stage with strategy and successful tactics that led Nelson Mandela to prison, then to victory as his country's first black president.

For another 42 years after the birth of his Satyagraha campaign, Mahatma Gandhi refined his strategy and tactics with holistic thinking, commitment and compassionate action. Many ordinary Indians employed Gandhi's strategy to defeat the British Empire. By 1948, they restored their freedom, civil rights and political sovereignty. If they had acted on all of Gandhi's advice and strategy from then on, India might have the world's Greenest culture and the most stable economy, and the whole world might be enjoying a healthy ecospheric civilization.

Now, it helps to remember that Gandhi was inspired by Henry David Thoreau's writing *On Civil Disobedience* and by his nonviolent protest against the Spanish American War and compulsory conscription (the draft) of American youth into the military. We should also recall that both Thoreau and Gandhi were inspired by the examples and teachings of Jainism and Buddhism, especially the Lotus Sutra. Its humanistic ideals, values, ethics and practical spirituality infuse Gandhi's satyagraha, sarvodaya, and swadeshi with a well proven solution to our global crisis.

If we employ Gandhi's strategy and methods, they will work now, as well as ever. If we start using Gandhi's solution now, then we will free ourselves of the worst consequences of rule by ecocidal psychopaths, tyrants, terrorists, and greedy dystopians. To escape the empire of corporate greed, Gandhi's initiatives must become the mandates of a large majority.

The movement to end commercially-sponsored ecocide faces forces far more powerful than guns, cannons, rockets and nuclear bombs. To overcome big money and the legion of psychosocial demons within we must identify and banish them. They are: deliberate ignorance, delusion, denial, apathy, depression, greed, ruthless ambition, hostility, resentment, hate, blind rage, vindictiveness, spiteful jealousy, selfish envy, vanity, arrogance, false pride, normalized hubris, cowardice, addictions, bad habits and negative tendencies.

Since getting ourselves to give up even a single bad habit or stupid belief usually seems the hardest thing we could ever do, ending the war against nature, life and the environment—like ending any war—requires total and constant commitment. Success

requires fearless action and the persistence of all good officials, good people, parents and children; also the right strategy, tactics, methods, and self-discipline. To keep the campaign on track, we need the prerequisites of healthy culture realized by Gandhi.

**A. Satyagraha:** Literally meaning "the power of truth," satyagraha is the heart of Gandhi's threefold initiative to establish cultural wellness and sustainable peace on Earth. Satyagraha means realizing, expressing and fulfilling our highest values and greatest potentials.

**B. Sarvodaya:** As important as the power of truth is sarvodaya, our commitment to seeing and serving all as equals, with sincere appreciation and respect.

**C. Swadeshi:** Economic self-determination and local self-reliance are necessary for freedom from exploitation, subversion and chronic corruption.

Naturally, a sane, healthy civilization is impossible without those three pillars of sustainable success. Gandhi's understanding of the world, life, nature, spirit and the generative interdependence of all beings and things led to further refinement. His strategy for a healthy, sustainably peaceful future requires the following:

1. People in positions of power, whether political, economic, religious, civic, or administrative power, must sustain a holistic view of life and peace. We must act to ensure that life-enhancing governance and creative problem solving are appreciated, mandated and implemented, globally. We must ensure that all citizens and officials understand and support the essential necessity of sustainable cultural wellness.
2. We cannot expect government to change the world. We, the people, must change, inspiring and nurturing a unanimous sense of biospheric responsibility, by example. For a sustainable culture, we need to create a climate of true respect, compassion, wisdom, love, caring, giving and sharing.
3. Foster and support an evolutionary culture for youth, sustaining respect, fairness, nonviolence and ethical integrity. Support renunciation of hate and rejection of injustice by consistently showing disapproval of corrupt celebrities, war toys, violent games, destructive behavior and negative influences.
4. Sustain compassionate responsiveness and appreciation. Honor, promote, and support positive contributions to the community of life and, while learning to reduce our wants, plan for the needs of all generations present and yet to come.
5. Foster biospheric consciousness, a larger sense of identity, free of racism, ageism, sexism, gender bias, addictions and other negative social programs, to enable recovery from normative insanity and systemic violence. Sustain ethos, life, nature, our planet, other species and people.
6. Respond to the needs of the community of life, laying the foundation of a sustainable society and a healthy environment. Meet your own needs while enhancing the ability of future generations to meet theirs. As opportunities for the young and needy are created or enhanced, eradicate rule by fear, greed, corruption, systemic injustice and impoverishment.

It seems fitting that “911” is a well-recognized as an emergency call for help in life threatening crises. Gandhi's Satyagraha was a major inspiration for Dr. Martin Luther King's mission in life. The Civil Rights movement, the peace movement, the movement to end testing and use of nuclear weapons, successful missions to end tyranny and the abuse of power offer many useful lessons.

Can we end the psychological and financial warfare keeping us stuck in ecocidal hypnocracy and survive civilization's global crisis? Gandhi liked referring to King Ashoka's 37-year reign of peaceful prosperity as an example. Potentially, peace can now be more sustainable than it was in [Ashoka's empire](#), nearly 2300 years ago.

Can we collaborate with the Haudenosaunee and other indigenous peoples and change our ways? Probably, and Gandhi's basics and initiatives are a good way to start. We could then make them global mandates by living them.

Could anything else work? No, only true nobility and heroic action foster sustainable self-esteem, basic joy, ultimate success and the best possible future. We simply need to do our best to ensure the best future for our children and all following generations. We need to act courageously, demand responsible action of elected officials, hold them accountable and teach by example. Demanding less of ourselves, our governments, and our schools, while corruption destroys the world can only accelerate and intensify the global disaster threatening modern civilization.

## 21 :: MEMBERSHIP

Successfully starting and sustaining an ecospheric alliance of NGOs, co-ops and associations at the scale necessary to counteract and remedy the destructive effects of the for-profit military-industrial-financial complex requires the best possible strategy for recruiting and retaining members, globally. Remember, the failure rate of new intentional communities, nonprofit foundations and new restaurants may not be identical, but those that failed failed before they began.

Why? Any kind of new organization in this modern world needs a great business plan and a great strategy for a great startup and [sustainable success](#). All expert business advisors and success coaches say that the most important part of a great business plan is a great marketing plan. For the success of a new not-for-profit organization, a great PR and marketing strategy is now more important than ever.

Success will never be possible if we maintain unrealistic expectations and fail to use every possible advantage for encouraging adoption of bioethical values, ways and means.

The successful startup of a functionally effective global alliance will only be possible by using the most positive strategy for encouraging individuals, groups and NGOs to join. Yet, without providing them real benefits and opportunities for gaining sustainable prosperity, it would be unrealistic to expect billions of people around the world to join and support a new ecospheric alliance of nonprofits. Providing infrastructure for a complex mix of sustaining for-profit and not-for-profit organizations may be the only way to ensure the most successful alliance and a future worth sustaining. We can then sponsor

and co-manage a hybrid cultural credit system that supports all non-negative (debt-free) currencies and credit exchange systems of the world.

The right bioethical AI system can and will enable development and rapid expansion of effective microfinance and crowdfunding programs. Using stable next-gen currencies and credit will enable a global alliance of credit unions and community-owned banks. Altogether, that combination of systems and advantages can rapidly enable a sustainable alternative to the world ruled by the greed, hostility and toxic money of the hyper-rich owners and dupes of the military-industrial-financial complex. However, those possibilities and potentials will not be available in the beginning.

Therefore, they cannot ensure a sustainably successful transition to a robust global commonwealth for the good of all generations. That requires something we can initiate from the start. Nothing succeeds like success, and nothing has been more successful for encouraging participation than the profit incentive.

Like it or not, most of us believe in monetary value, monetary riches and the fake value of getting some of it for nothing. We love winning prizes. So, a Win+Win promotional campaign can supercharge recruiting with a global sweepstakes program that eliminates the work and costs of a conventional recruiting campaign.

Instead of investing in expensive advertising or a less than ideally effective PR campaign, 10% of fees, dues and profits from alliance goods and services will fund a PR trust to fund the sweepstakes prizes for alliance members. Also, if half the assets in the PR trust are given away as prizes, the other half can be invested in an Alliance Members Emergency Fund and/or local/regional community development programs.

That will maximize the attractiveness, value and immediate benefits of MECA membership, also optimizing growth and funding of the ECCU.

Remember, MECA recruiting, revenue, profit and 'cash' flow will be enhanced by providing ultra-secure networks-as-a-service (NaaS), sooftware-as-a-service products, online banking and next-gen games that generate free Green publicity and viral online PR. Yet, initially, individual membership can be free of charge, no dues for 90 days or more, as long as members are participating and using ECCU services, credits and currencies.

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## 24 :: APPENDIX A :: The EII Sustainability Rating Form

Sustaining any kind of civilization worth sustaining requires a bioethical standard of values that enables wise decisions. They enable planning and performance of cultural activities, programs, projects and politics that enhance or support the best possible quality of life (QOL).

In the mid-1960s, bioneering architect Malcolm Wells developed the first and simplest standard for rating real Greenness of designs, plans and proposed building projects. It was good enough for the time, but not only for architecture and construction projects. By 2010 it was obvious that most people, planners and decision-makers needed an equally simple, easy to use rating form. It was also obvious that it should cover more of the critical issues and factors affecting our global QOL, for better or worse.

The updated, expanded form is available in 8.5" x 14" format (a PDF file) via the following link: [EII Sustainability Rating Form](#)

## 25 :: APPENDIX B :: Important Ancient Words

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**Note:** There are ancient Greek words with no simple English translation, yet some are crucially relevant now, for a more livable future. Of the essential Greek words of the 4th Century BCE, *acesis*, *parrhesia*, *phronesis* & *prohairesis* constitute the Bushie Quaternity.

**1. Acesis:** Repetition, *e.g.*, in Confucianism, at age 5, ancient texts are learnt by heart, and by 40 they start to reveal their wisdom.

**2. Akrasia:** Moral incontinence, cognitive failure in this regard, re: Plato: 1) violent disposition against right reason and 2) irrational weakness (pertaining to speech). Aristotle uses it in the latter sense 87 times. Moral incontinence is the inability to act on what one thinks is right, like a smoker who keeps on smoking despite knowing the potential harm.

Also, the words 'hypocrisy' and 'corruption' serve where we knowingly, habitually, act against what we know and claim is right. That relates to 'vitiate' or to

morally corrupt or to debase or destroy or drastically reduce the effectiveness of something, to make it invalid.

To cause something to become defective is to vitiate it. Though not directly Greek, vitiate is nevertheless relevant, timely, and appropriate to understanding akrasia and evil. Vitiate comes from Latin vitare, from vitium, fault. It is related to vice (a moral failing or fault), from French. For example, promoting or supporting ecocidal corruption is the worst of all vices, for it encourages or rationalizes all other anti-bioethical evils and atrocities.

**3. Arete:** An ancient Greek concept for the 'spirit of virtue,' natural excellence without show or being heroic (a normally flawed archetype). Even if it cannot be taught, arete can be cultivated from within, building character with appropriate ethos.

This was the basis of the Human Potential Movement. Arete shares a root with the term 'aristocrat,' meaning naturally noble. Arete is inherent to phronesis (see below), embodying nondual integrity of the beholder and beheld, with spirit, strength & skill.

For Aristotle, arête/phronesis is an adult power of insight into practical matters, cultivated and developed by experience, a kind of sophia, inherent wisdom.

**4. Ascesis:** In the Bushie sense, a training word, based on the chiro/organon approach to technique, techné + technique, CBT (competency-based training), and RBC (repetition-based conditioning). Training here mainly means expert mentoring leading to mastery, expert self-discipline, ability, and skillfulness.

This is in line with the ancient concept of asceticism, mostly lost to the West for millennia, especially since the rise of industrialism. We see it in the East, in serious Yoga and Buddhist praxis. In its ultimate expression, ascesis is the repeated expression of faith, hope, love and skill, wisdom in action (see Illich 2005:228). This offers a taste of the origins of our modern sense of *ascetic* and asceticism.

**5. Khrématistiké:** The 'art' of acquisition. Aristotle recognized it as early as 500 BCE, seeing 'chrematistics' as inspired by love of gold and wealth. Of course, it leads to insatiable greed, corruption and worship of Mammon, the 'god' (or spirit) of greed.

**6. Koinonia:** This is another complex, fascinating ancient Greek idea without any single English equivalent. It represents a unique approach to community building and teamwork.

Koinonia means an amalgam of: 1.a) common ground; b) joint ownership, sharing, joint-ownership, gifting, living together; 2.a) common effort, mutual aid, joint decision-making, b) fellowship, companionship and shared passion. It also means 3.a) a vertical relationship (consciousness, linking spiritual, as well as) b) a horizontal one (living together), and c) material aspects of existence, plus integration of all these aspects of community, and d) trust.

The ultimate meaning of koinonia is thus inner and outer unity in harmony, 'integrality' uniting inner goodness with virtue and outer goodness with bioethical culture, society and community. Further, nowhere in this holistic understanding of community is there an implied hierarchy of command and control. While there is

leadership, its purpose is to encourage, focus energy and align interests—not to control. That makes koinonia the key element of a sustainably healthy civilization.

At best, marriage is a form of the koinonia of healthy family life. Koinonia is related to the Greek *oikonomia*, prudential cultural economy, opposed by *chrematistics* (systematic acquisition or an obsessive love of money, greed).

Koinonia relates to the Latin “*communitas*” countering “*immunitas*” (immunity from involvement in responsible community). Also note that *sauvage* (Fr.) does not mean ‘red in tooth and claw’. It is the second meaning to the English word “savage” (the direct, primal, uncomplicated, uncluttered relationship to and with nature, wildness, natural communities, biomes, etc.).

Koinonia then is never passive, it is a direct active principle, not only relating to a way of being, but also a way of doing, in positive interaction.

**7. Oikonomia:** In ancient Greece, the household economy was managed mostly by the women. From that we get the concepts and modern English words ‘economy’ and ‘economics’.

In the USA, as late as the 1960s, economics was still somewhat related to the realities and ethics of life in the home. Yet, the removal of ethics from economics led to increasing separation from realism and reality. So, unlike in ancient Greek homes, economy and economics now seem banal or dismal subjects, not the Art of living well (enjoying the benefits, conveniences and enjoyments of human culture).

For example, in the USA, economists think of a house as a property or an investment, not as a home for perfecting the Art of Living.

**8. Parrhesia:** (Bushie definition & context) The discourse of Truth, frank and open discussion with fellow citizens, in which the Bushie manifests his/her presentation of work, of art/craft and Truth, the actualization of creative-evolutionary ethos.

Thus, like Tantra and praxis, parrhesia is 1) a psychophysical braiding or intertwining of truth+activity+person and/or 2) quality of consciousness realized, expressed and embodied in the masterpiece or master’s thesis.

Instead of being simply an arrangement of mental facts, Truth then becomes an expression of viable “common sense” through embodiment and multi-level communication (of neo-ecotopian Bushies). Parrhesia manifests in their individual and collective activities. Parrhesia also implies frankness, honesty, and openness.

Those who use parrhesia, the parrhesiastes, say everything they have in mind: they do not hide anything, but open their hearts and minds completely to other people in discourse. For example, such a speaker gives an account of what he/she has in mind as completely and exactly as possible. So, listeners may comprehend exactly what the speaker thinks is true or real.

Parrhesiastes also make it obvious that what they say is their own opinion. They do that by avoiding any kind of rhetorical strategy which would veil the truth in mind. Instead, parrhesiastes use the most direct words and forms of expression available. They affect other people’s minds by showing them what they think is true.

Also see Foucault’s work, below, p. ???.

**9. Poietal knowledge:** Producing, forming, shaping and making, and therefore designing, *i.e.*, artificing, are all related to a separate concept of [auto]poiesis, self-regulation and self-creation. The Greek verb poieo (I make or create), gave rise to three words: poietis (the one who creates – artist/inventor/innovator/bush mechanic), poiesis (the act of creation), and poiema (the thing created).

From those terms we got three English words: poet (the creator), poesy (the creation) and poem (the created). A poet is therefore one who creates, and poetry is what the poet creates. The underlying concept of the poet as maker or creator is not uncommon. For example, in Anglo-Saxon a poet is a scop (shaper or maker) and in Scots makar. So, in ancient Anglo-Saxon, an artificer is a *scoper* and in Gaelic a *makar*.

**10. Praxis:** Aristotle (circa 500 BC) identified praxis as one of four types of knowledge: 1) theoria, academic knowledge, intellectual thought, axiomatic theory, and conjecture, 2) Poietal knowledge, productive forming and making and therefore, 3) designing or creating something in the psychophysical realm of being, *e.g.*, a poem, work of art, building, prototyping, designing (and interpreting), etc., and 4) application of cumulative theoria.

Yet, more like poietis, the bush mechanic shaping or poiesising (creating) an excellent project, integrates poiema, linked to techne (experienced based practice). Praxis is doing, action and learning from it, only indirectly related to material production. It generates “poietal” knowledge and creative imagining, new theory, etc.

Some authors include another form of knowledge as a result of praxis: gnosis, direct cognition of reality or truth.

**11. Prohairesis:** Choosing ahead wisely (Bushie awareness extended to foresight + acting wisely while creating the future); prohairesis is commitment to a course of action based on intention expressing and/or embodying the character (ethos) and bioethical stature of a person. It is enmeshed in and expressed through the unfolding future.

In his Nicomachean Ethics (Bk. 3, chapt. 2-3) Aristotle considers prohairesis the ability and virtue of our moral character. It is our capacity for ethical choice and action, stretching out into the future. Responding, taking or choosing the envisioned future in advance a) as a guide and/or b) as a self-willed & intended destination. It integrates intention and extension, *i.e.*, the intended destination/outcome and existential abilities necessary for achievement (see *Phronesis*). So, in Aristotle’s view, a rational agent’s wish differs from appetite in so far as it is guided by deliberation based on one’s conception of one’s good.

So, neo-primitive prohairesis evolves and extends beyond our present inclinations at a particular time, and onward. Rational agents can see themselves as extending from a past and into the future. Thus, our deliberation is guided by the broadest view of our aims, nature, and potential. That produces results of the choice Aristotle called “decision” (see Nicomachean Ethics III, 3).

**12. Phronesis:** Wise, ethical, practical action, practical wisdom, and wise use: GREAT SPIRIT + STRENGTH + SKILL is the nature and way of phronesis. For Aristotle,

phronesis is the power of insight into practical matters, cultivated and developed by experience, a kind of 'sophia' (inherent wisdom, appropriate knowledge, genius).

For example, quality is based on inherent qualities of the beholder, not only of the beheld. It is the root of being oneself, self-fulfilling self-reliance, optimum wellness, of thriving, fortitude, personal excellence and resourcefulness. Phronesis is also the root of justice, fairness, balance, of cultural wellness, of a sane, equitable commonwealth.

**Overview:** Solutions to many of the problems in the world today could use those words for effective problem analysis. Yet, they no longer exist in common use. The 3 essential terms—parrhesia, phronesis and prohairesis—in their Greek sense of being “in the Truth” —involve realistic discourse, ethical deliberation, and appropriate action. Their full importance and meaning no longer exist in the dominant cultural paradigm ruling academia, political policy, and critical decision-making. Yet, if we want a future worth sustaining, they should and must regain their original importance.

Living in and with the Truth (of reality and bioethical integrity) is a necessary ingredient of cultural wellness, social sanity and sustainable prosperity. So, we hope you use the ancient words, meanings, and principles of Truth wisely, frequently.

### **Foucault on Parrhesia & Truth:**

Authors' request: Please read at least the last 2 paragraphs. Thanks ~

I [Foucault] should note that I never found any texts in ancient Greek culture where the parrhesiastes seems to have any doubts about his own possession of the truth. And indeed, that is the difference between the Cartesian problem and the Parrhesiastic attitude. For before Descartes obtains indubitable clear and distinct evidence, he is not certain that what he believes is, in fact, true. In the Greek conception of parrhesia, however, there does not seem to be a problem about the acquisition of the truth since such truth-having is guaranteed by the possession of certain moral qualities: when someone has certain moral qualities, then that is the proof that he has access to truth, and vice-versa.

The 'parrhesiastic game' presupposes that the parrhesiastes is someone who has the moral qualities which are required, first, to know the truth, and secondly, to convey such truth to others. If there is a kind of 'proof' of the sincerity of the parrhesiastes, it is his courage. The fact that a speaker says something dangerous—different from what the majority believes—is a strong indication that he is a parrhesiastes.

If we raise the question of how we can know whether someone is a truth-teller, we raise two questions. First, how is it that we can know whether some particular individual is a truth-teller; and secondly, how is it that the alleged parrhesiastes can be certain that what he believes is, in fact, truth. The first question, recognizing someone as a parrhesiastes, was a very important one in Greco-Roman society and, as we shall see, was explicitly raised and discussed by Plutarch, Galen, and others. The second skeptical question, however, is a particularly modern one which, I believe, is foreign to the Greeks.

**Parrhesia and Danger** – Someone is said to use parrhesia and merits consideration as a parrhesiastes only if there is a risk or danger for him or her in telling the truth. For



instance, from the ancient Greek perspective, a grammar teacher may tell the truth to the children that he teaches, and indeed may have no doubt that what he teaches is true. But in spite of this coincidence between belief and truth, he is not a parrhesiastes.

However, when a philosopher addresses himself...to a tyrant, and tells him that his tyranny is disturbing and unpleasant because tyranny is incompatible with justice, then the philosopher speaks the truth, believes he is speaking the truth, and, more than that, also takes a risk (since the tyrant may become angry, may punish him, may exile him, may kill him). And that was exactly Plato's situation with Dionysius in Syracuse—concerning which there are very interesting references in Plato's "Seventh Letter" and in *The Life of Dion* by Plutarch.

...So you see, the parrhesiastes is someone who takes a risk. Of course, this risk is not always a risk of life. When, for example, you see a friend doing something wrong and you risk incurring his anger by telling him he is wrong, you are acting as a parrhesiastes. In such a case, you do not risk your life, but you may hurt him by your remarks, and your friendship may consequently suffer for it.

If, in a political debate, an orator risks losing his popularity because his opinions are contrary to the majority's opinion, or his opinions may usher in a political scandal, he uses parrhesia. Parrhesia, then, is linked to courage in the face of danger: it demands the courage to speak the truth in spite of some danger. And in its extreme form, telling the truth takes place in the 'game' of life or death.

It is because the parrhesiastes must take a risk in speaking the truth that the king or tyrant generally cannot use parrhesia; for he risks nothing. When you accept the parrhesiastic game in which your own life is exposed, you are taking up a specific relationship to yourself: you risk death to tell the truth instead of reposing in the security of a life where the truth goes unspoken.

Of course, the threat of death comes from the Other, and thereby requires a relationship to himself: he prefers himself as a truth-teller rather than as a living being who is false to himself. Politically we see a trend towards a firm resolve to do away with any law, constitutional or not, that stands in the way of shifting designs inspired by greed and vindictiveness rather than by the drive for power or any coherent political program. In this context, the decisive aspect of this lying on principle is that it can work only thorough terror, that is, through the invasion of the political process by sheer criminality.

Under those circumstances, it is entirely true that, as Melman states, *inefficiency has been elevated into a national purpose, and what has come home to roost in this particular case (Nixon and Watergate) is the hectic and unfortunately highly successful policy of 'solving' very real problems by clever gimmicks which are only successful enough to make the problems disappear temporarily.*

**Note:** As we see in those last 2 paragraphs, a cure for the cultural illness of this co-called post-Truth age of ShowBiz has been around for more than 3,000 years. It also proves the validity of the diagnosis given by Foucault, Melman et al decades ago, prophetically predicting today's systemic corruption and national insanity. It is

insane because psychopathic insanity prevents concern and action ensuring optimum wellness, safety, life, liberty and effective participation in healthy culture, community and family. Mass-psychosis also fosters and supports ecocidal kleptocracy, rule by psychopathic thieves and corporate pirates.

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## 26 :: APPENDIX C :: Jim Bell's Last Book

For co-creating life-supporting sustainability, the last Work of a truly great, under-appreciated bioneer, my friend, the late Jim Bell (of San Diego) is an essential resource.

Jim—environmental designer, author and founder of the Ecological Life Systems Institute—achieved an amazing amount of important research & development during his 77 years. In the early 1970s, Jim and 2 fellow researchers studied Los Angeles County's water use. They found that all the water drained from the Colorado River and rivers of the Sierras was going down LA's millions of 5-gallon/flush toilets.

When we met in 1985, Jim led a tour of his Eco-Parque biological sewage treatment plant in the Tijuana River valley. By that time, the site was so beautiful that families came for weddings in the flowering arboretum overlooking the lush greenery, new marshes, and 3 ponds. FYI, the water in the last of the 3 “polishing” ponds was pure enough to drink, cleaner than San Diego's tapwater.

Jim was also a co-founder of the Green Party of San Diego. He was the lead Green designer of San Diego's (truly Green) Ocean Beach People's Food Co-op building. Jim optimized the building's sustainability, performance, and minimized costs. He bioneered the campaign to establish cradle-to-cradle cost-benefit analysis and true-cost pricing for planning, policy development, and whole-systems analysis, design, and production.

Jim never knew exactly how fast glacial & polar ice would melt, but his papers and books were ahead of their time. He knew that. So, he made his best work available to all, freely. As a memorial and extension of his mission, we include this link to his last book: [\*Consciousness and Knowledge: Achieving Peace, Prosperity and Life-Support Sustainability\*](#).

## 27 :: APPENDIX D :: Alliance or Dystopia: Why we need to unite

by Michael Lucas Monterey

**Abstract:** This annotated ‘white paper’ presents results of holistic analysis of data from recent studies of Earth's geophysical and biodynamic processes. How they are affected by and accelerate rates of change in the polar regions, high-altitude glaciers, major watersheds, coastal regions and drought-prone agricultural regions are considered. The critical issues of concern are how thermodynamic feedback loops are increasing all the interactive forcing processes (warming the polar regions) at exponentially accelerating rates, causing an ever-greater rate of sea-level increase. The ways extreme climate change and weather events will increasingly threaten the biosphere and the infrastructure of modern civilization are central to the whole-system analysis and assessment. The results gave rise to

reasons for and benefits of a global alliance that fosters and supports appropriate planning, preparation, and action. Possible options are listed.

## **Introduction**

Have you noticed that, unless threatened by war or other disasters, most civilized people will not unite and cooperate to create radical change for the better?

If you did, you may have noticed that most of us also act unaware of our complex global disaster-in-progress. Why? Most of us are neither climate scientists nor multi-specialists devoted to knowing and understanding all the data. Several other reasons seem to be preventing a best-case mass-response. However, reading this probably makes you a future ally of the minority of us willing to prevent a worst-case future, if possible.

Questioning or wondering about that is understandable. In fact, most scientists, planners, and key decision makers are not communicating and cooperating like they understand how little time we have for best-case planning and response. Indeed, despite all the most recent data and reports, most 'leading experts' and policy advocacy organizations act as if geoscience data and reports published before 2019 are adequate for effective decision making, policy and planning. Nothing could be less realistic.

Polar warming and rising sea-levels now accelerate every year. While the increasing frequency and severity of warming-driven pandemics are disturbingly obvious, the causes and bigger problems are far more dangerous, yet seem less obvious.

What could be worse? More pervasive drought and famine could soon sicken and kill hundreds of us. Coastal and riverside nuclear meltdowns could soon sicken and kill everybody, slowly but surely. So, it seems useful to consider why uniting and responding now would be much better than waiting until our odds of surviving and thriving are minimal. Listing some options for an initial action plan also seems useful.

## **Context, Realities & Implications**

**Reason 1** involves realistic whole-system analysis of the problem. For example, the ever-rising level of CO<sub>2</sub> in our petrocene sky is now more than 417 ppm,<sup>[1]</sup> more than when Antarctica was iceless for a million years or so. Levels of more potent GHGs are also rising at ever-accelerating rates.<sup>[2]</sup>

Now though, so far, nobody and no organization or government is doing enough to prevent the worst catastrophe in Earth's long history. Really? Yes, the lack of public discussion and effective collective action to prevent our worst-case catastrophe proves the awful truth.

Consider a wonderful example: By deciding to provide the best water in Europe as a 'free' public benefit, officials and planners in the city of Paris, France, have done wonders for everyone. What's "best"? They test for and detoxify 300,000 toxic contaminants. They also installed more than 1000 refill fountains and dispensary stations, almost totally eliminating use of inferior bottled water and single-use plastic bottles. So, 500 other European cities are following the Parisian example. Wonderful, yes, but though it

improves to health and sustainability of Europeans and the biosphere, it does nothing to prevent total catastrophe.

[Down to Earth](#), Zac Efron's mostly amusing yet educational travelogue series, also features wonderful advances in Iceland and other nations, but none are being integrated as parts of a whole world-system solution. Nor are any of those examples of social sanity and cultural wellness intended as a whole-system alternative to our worst possible catastrophe.

What is "worst"? First, consider the cause: not slowing polar warming and meltdown as much as possible ASAP. The rate of slowing of GHG release recommended by the UN IPCC for the Paris Accords will not save us from total disaster. Why not?

Fact: If a third of the world's nuclear power plants (on or near coasts and low elevation riversides) explode and melt down, that could cause the most horrific onset of our great die-off scale mass-extinction, and a long, 'hot' hot-age. This year or the next, rising sea-levels, higher tides and more severe super-storm surges could flood nuclear reactors and containers of 'hot' waste for longer than emergency systems can prevent total disaster.

So, for the sake of all generations here and hereafter, as polar meltdown accelerates, mass-action appropriate to the nature and scale of our global crisis would be our best response. Ending CO<sub>2</sub> and GHG increase ASAP is essential. To survive and thrive, we need a super-radical change of hearts, minds, attitudes, and strategy. We need a radical multinational response—like a response to the threat of planetary war and total destruction—like we need to shut down and replace the world's [120 at-risk nuclear power plants](#) now.<sup>[3]</sup>

FYI: Antarctica is now warming 3 times faster than nonpolar regions;<sup>[4]</sup> and the Arctic is warming twice as fast as nonpolar areas.<sup>[5]</sup> Ocean warming is catching up fast.<sup>[6]</sup> Greenland's summer melting days increased 30% in 2019, for more than double 2018 ice-melt.<sup>[7]</sup> Permafrost is thawing like previously predicted for the year 2100,<sup>[8]</sup> causing 10 times more than the 2010 GHG release.<sup>[9]</sup> So, the rate of warming and polar meltdown will keep accelerating, yearly, further beyond doubling.

That is so because, since 2007, all the causes of our new hot-age have been increasing annually.<sup>[10]</sup> Last year, average Sea-level increase quadrupled to 8 mm.<sup>[11]</sup> That may not seem like much, but the math is very scary. More severe flooding threatens all coastal and near coastal cities and industrial infrastructure already. To avoid permanent submergence, those cities (etc.) need to be moved or replaced now.

To see the potential scale of coastal catastrophe in the very near future, see [What the Sea Will Swallow](#) (2019 article & aerial photography) by Daniel Grossman and Alex MacLean. Remember though, the reality is now more extreme.

## Diagnosis & Options

**Emergency sea-wall construction** will help, but not enough nor for long. Without appropriate, very rapid response, sea-levels will increase to an average 230 feet (70 meters) higher,<sup>[12]</sup> possibly between 2042 and 2090.<sup>[13]</sup> When is up to us. Clearly, thinking, talking and acting as if we have enough time for a minimal slowing of insane consumption and

petrochemical pollution is insanely unrealistic. Slowing polar meltdown as much as possible as fast as possible is the best we can do now. After more catastrophic flooding, or cities being under several feet or meters of ocean, normal 'crisis management' would be worse than ever. Yet, creating a livable new world is the best of all possible Green Job programs.

Still, conservationist nonprofits and activists are failing to solve our worst problem.<sup>[14]</sup> The rush toward ecocidal dystopia and mass-extinction keeps accelerating. The Green Party and Greta Thunberg's fans and Extinction Rebellion protestors are not causing systemic, constructive change, appropriate to the scale and scope of the problem.<sup>[15]</sup> Why not? They refuse to think or talk about the rate of change and what it will take to reverse or slow it.

**Is our species incapable of bioethical integrity and responsibility?** Are we infected with incurable insanity or original sin? Clearly—except for infants and the unborn—we all perpetuate the damage and share some responsibility.<sup>[16]</sup> Can we make sense of our plight, then create sustainable change for the better? Yes, but more courageous realism would help.

Like racism, this civilization's addiction to cancerous consumerism and rabid kleptocracy is a psychopathic pandemic.<sup>[17]</sup> Our cultural illness is aggravated by subliminal fear, greed, denial, misinformation, confusion, foolishness, systematic corruption and the neurological effects of the world's violence on the structure and biochemistry of our embryonic and infantile brains.<sup>[18]</sup> As always, any real cure requires a valid diagnosis, enabling effective emergency response, treatment and recovery.

**Preliminary diagnosis:** Humanity suffers normalized mass-PTSD, left over from the multi-century aftermath of the horrific destruction of the first phase of civilization.

What we can call Civilization 1.0 was destroyed by a super-volcanic eruption. Nearly 3,650 years ago, the center of the Minoan world was Thera (now Santorini Island).<sup>[19]</sup> Its explosion caused massive tsunamis, devastating all Mediterranean coasts.<sup>[20]</sup> Super-hot clouds of volcanic ash scorched or buried and killed everything for thousands of miles. Thera's smoke and fallout kept spreading, plunging much of the world into volcanic winter, death, droughts, famine and plagues.<sup>[21]</sup> For centuries, all ecoregions, weather, crops and all the world's ancient empires were severely impacted. Then, as in medieval Europe's centuries of plague, power vacuums and niches spawned dystopian cultures.<sup>[22]</sup> The ongoing decline also attracted tyrants and armies of looters from near and far.

Plagues of intercultural conflict, total war, conquest, militarism, male-supremacy, patriarchy, religiosity, monotheism, repression and corruption became chronic and pervasive. Now, as the petrocene phase of our Anthropocene Epoch<sup>[23]</sup> winds down, Civilization 2.0 keeps declining toward the first man-made great die-off process.<sup>[24]</sup>

## **Ecocidal Egoism vs. Ecocentrism**

**What will it be**—alliance and cultural healing, or ecocidal dystopia? Everything takes time. If we want to prevent our very worst worst-case scenario, we need to do whatever it takes to start the cure ASAP. We also need an inspiring Vision of Civilization 3.0, of a

better future and how we can create it. Unluckily, most of us fear or hate radical change. So, that calls for a compelling rationale for uniting, ideally before the first super-disastrous trigger event.

The reasons listed below imply the best approach for analyzing and resolving our worst sub-problems, and for envisioning solutions. For example, an extra-governmental alliance could enable:

1. Credibility, 'visibility' & outreach
2. Greater strength in numbers
3. Increasingly effective mutual aid, scalable results, etc.
4. Great recruiting potential, more expansive collaboration
5. More funding opportunities & progress
6. Greater effectiveness, increasing functionality
7. Better odds for sustainable success
8. Greater potential for our best possible future
9. Preventing our worst possible mass-extinction process

Creating an appropriately dedicated global alliance will unleash vast repressed collective power and creativity, enabling our best possible results. A highly effective, ever-growing alliance will also inspire the confidence and cooperation of

- mayors, city councils & chambers of commerce
- county commissioners & planners
- governors & state legislators
- credit unions & community-owned banks
- community currency & credit exchange organizations
- religious leaders & activists
- community service organizations
- regional educators & associations
- green business owners & entrepreneurs

At this point, creating a global alliance of NGOs, indigenous nations, nonprofits, co-ops, businesses and spiritual leaders may be the only way to initiate appropriate mass-action soon enough to prevent

- a series of Fukushima-like nuclear disasters
- violent chaos
- excess destruction
- pandemic illnesses, death & horrible suffering

**Remember, a category 9+ earthquake** was not what destroyed the Fukushima Daichi nuclear power plant, it was flooding. The rapidly accelerating rates of polar meltdown and political incompetence confirm all the bad news.

Am I exaggerating? No, Trumpists at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ended very reasonable regulations that required upgrading of protection against increasingly severe super-storm tidal surges and super-floods, now happening every year. So, 30 of the USA's nuke plants and 100s of tons of 'hot' super-toxic nuclear wastes are vulnerable to super-

flooding, explosion, meltdown and catastrophic aftermath—now—and for as long as they stay where they are without better sea-walls (etc.).

### **Possibilities & Potentials**

**Clearly, our global crisis calls for more sanity,** realistic analysis, real commitment, a constructive alliance, and truly remedial action, now. Otherwise, we enable dystopia and super-toxic, radioactive mass-extinction by default. We have a choice: We can create either optimal quality of life (QOL) or quantity of stuff, and a final new normal, ecocidal mania and more Hell on Earth.

An appropriate action plan will help. Above, we saw good reasons for a solution and why we should support an alliance that fosters and supports appropriate action, globally. The reasons imply opportunities and possibilities for creating our best possible future. Still, establishing an effective global alliance and initiating the best possible progress to success requires better than average strategy and performance, ASAP.

Clearly, we need a realistic agenda for effective communication and consideration of our options and potentials. Distilling the whole-system problem and solution down to real-world essentials will make our goals seem realistic and achievable. The following list is offered as a starting point:

1. Documenting the Why, How and What we need
2. Documenting the plan, ethical policy & basic principles
3. Describing the Mission, Objectives, Strategy, methods & logistics
4. Recruiting & attracting the best startup core-group team
5. Creating the most effective organizational network structure
6. Establishing the legal-financial structure of the alliance
7. Developing the operating plan and budget
8. Identifying top priority initiatives and programs
9. Fund raising with new currencies for debt-free commonwealth

Again, remember, a global solution takes time, and we have none to waste. So, not choosing is a choice—for worse social disintegration into ecocidal dystopia. Uniting after a series of catastrophic nuclear disasters begins may be too late to slow our worst-case Endgame process. We should unite in an effective alliance, now.

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A socio-psychological analysis of ecocidal egomania, pandemic authoritarian personality disorder, associated illnesses, and causal factors

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**Abstract:** This thesis analyses the causes, contributing factors, aggravating circumstances, and symptoms of the pandemic socio-cultural illnesses plaguing humanity and our habitat, Earth's biosphere. It includes a critique of inadequate approaches and earlier theory, while presenting a bio-ethical approach to realist ontology, psychology, sociology, and cultural anthropology. The introduction is followed by recommended triage, diagnosis, and prognoses. The concluding section offers potentially effective therapy and recovery. The epilogue provides supporting evidence, some produced or broadcast since January 6, 2021. Notes, links, and citations are provided.

### **Introduction**

This thesis provides a diagnosis of pandemic authoritarian personality disorder (APD) and systemic corruption accelerating the decline of modern society, good government, public education, sociology, ethics, sanity, and quality of life (QOL). It proves that many key causal factors remain mostly unrecognized or unknown. So, while suggesting radical change for the better, as an analysis and critique of institutions and conventional academic norms, this work faces deeply entrenched systemic resistance.



Idealistic and deficient approaches to sociology are unrealistic parts of the problem, not the cure. Therefore, the text is designed for the largest possible audience. The hope is that more public consideration and discussion of the subproblems will enable remedial action in all infected domains of civil society and beyond. Specifically, the thesis shows how the neo-feudal extension of 16<sup>th</sup> century monopolistic mercantilism forces subversion of our essential institutions. So, we can now realistically assess and address the deficiencies of marginalized or corrupted approaches to theory, education, politics, and the anti-ethical economics of neo-colonial fascism maintaining ecocidal dysfunctionality.

The problem is super-complex and overly-complicated. For example, the problem is perpetuated by all the socioeconomic and sociopolitical incentives that skew every facet of modern technocracy toward more normative corruption, normalized mass-deception and/or mass-confusion, mass-diversion, and subversion. That makes the sociology of exploitive subversion and systemic corruption a good place to start our analysis.

Pandemic APD and mass-disinformation clearly make triage, diagnosis, prognosis, and prescription urgently necessary yet surprisingly easy. However, the typical structure of modern academic papers is less than ideal for dealing with the nature and scope of our cultural illness. Thus, the content is presented using the medical approach to dealing with emergency treatment and ongoing care of severely injured patients.

## **Triage**

For example, think of the USA, its society, and its government as a delirious human patient in the ER. We see life-threatening injuries, flesh-eating infection, blood poisoning, symptoms of AIDS, cancer, and over-dose of dangerous drugs. The patient also suffers from monstrous hallucinations, amnesia, and suicidal impulses alternating with violent outbursts of rage.

First, unlike many modern doctors in ER and ICU facilities, we need to treat causes, not just the symptoms. We need to see former POTUS Trump and his accomplices, like Hitler and monstrosity (in general) as symptoms. Yet, to prevent sudden death, we do need to treat the symptoms. Still, saving the patient's life requires long-term treatment and care. Remember, full recovery may involve some psychotherapy and ongoing post-treatment rehab protocols.

Now, let's deal with the most severe symptoms requiring immediate treatment and life-support. Clearly, multiple pathogens have developed immunity to normal antibiotics and antiviral meds. So, the infections require Fast-Track development and use of more effective medicines (including natural extracts & compounds). In this case, boosting the immune system of the USA also takes radical gene replacement therapy, to get the DOJ, the FBI, Secret Service, US Marshalls, and the Supreme Court to start fighting pathogens and protecting the patient, again.

The Congress also needs emergency treatment so it starts supporting the patient's immune system, helping to fight infections and promoting rapid healing. Now, Congress suffers some form of dementia and/or schizoid disorder, complicated by malignancy, AIDS, sepsis (severe blood poisoning), and morbid bureaucratic obesity. In this case, the

patient's blood is money and the septic poison is economic nonsense and propaganda. The main cause of that and Congressional dementia is the Federal Reserve System (the Fed, its parasitic banking rules, and deceptive mismanagement of the national currency). The pathogens are Trumpist traitors, economists, lobbyists, their employers, corporate executives and directors, and also some major shareholders.

However, the educational system is clearly an essential part of the patient's immune-system. So, we should never forget that, as in Nazi Germany, fascist Italy and Spain (and other totalitarian dictatorships), the worst infection is caused and perpetuated by the psychosocial illness of the people. That can only happen by infecting and subverting the educational system. All it takes is tsunamis of deceptive propaganda, nonsense, and immuno-suppressive attitudes, enforced by commercially sponsored incentives. Hence, treatment and full recovery require disinfection of national educational facilities.

In other words, pandemic APD, schizoid dysfunction, and auto-immune deficiency are spread and maintained by public education, universities, the Congress, lobbyists, anti-ethical multi-national corporations, ads & propaganda, and systemic incentives enabled by the Fed's toxic currency game. Of course, like herpes and other chronic viral infections, deeper-level causes perpetuate the patient's susceptibility to pandemic cultural illness.

As it is, Westernized civilization's dysfunctionalities make it the breeding ground of every kind of illness of body and mind. For example, without anti-ethical egomania being a chronic infection embedded in civilization's psychosocial DNA, Trump's psychopathic narcissism would be impossible or extremely rare. In pre-modern civilizations that degree of anti-social, anti-ethical illness was typically unsustainable. When it survived in dynastic monarchies, or just for decades, the consequences were always catastrophic. Modern examples are WW1 & WW2, the destruction of Germany, Italy, and Japan, and the horrific deaths of over 100 million people (due to combat, murder, starvation, disease, etc.).

Regardless, DJ Trump, his loyal fans, supporters, and most members of Congress are proving Ken Wilbur right about pandemic 'boomeritis' USA.<sup>[1]</sup> Wilbur realized that the 'baby boom' generation was mostly infected by subliminal narcissism. Hence, if true, most Trumpists, Supreme Court justices, and members of Congress being 'Boomers', may have seen no reason for impeachment (etc.) of Trump (for treason, sedition, fraud, etc.). Of course, that requires other forms of delusional illness.

Is a better explanation possible? Subliminal narcissism may seem an inappropriate diagnosis for most Boomers, but subliminal egomania and fraudulent corruption are clearly pandemic. Also, like Trump and his mentors, all Trumpi cult members believe that their egos and opinions are more important than ethics, law, equity, and justice for all. For example, they don't care what Trump does, no matter how evil, either as a former POTUS or as a future dictator. Trumpists also clearly believe that their ideas must be truths, or superior to truths and realities. For instance, despite the reality of rain, Trump says that it did not rain during his inauguration. Roger Stone invented the "Stop the Steal" strategy in 2016, before Trump's election. Yet, believing (or not), despite all the investigations and visible realities, Trump and his cult keep repeating the same lies. That seems possible only

if they are all afflicted with the [Dunning-Kruger syndrome](#) (DKS),<sup>[2]</sup> now pandemic in technocratic and authoritarian societies.

Ignoring DKS would be a serious mistake. Sometimes, even the smartest among us indulge in over-estimation or under-estimation of our knowledge and skill. Those of us who were traumatized and/or injured or polluted from infancy are more susceptible to DKS and other ills of modern civilization. So, DKS clearly seems to be a factor in the development of APD and normalized corruption.

## Diagnosis

In this “post-Truth era of pandemic authoritarian personality disorder (APD) and infectious corruption, some of us still wonder why Trump has so many loyal fans, and why any Republicans keep ignoring his increasingly numerous fraudulent slanders, lies, rampant corruption, and toxic megalomania. For decades, some of us asked how seemingly good people could become loyal Nazis, willing to put up with pandemic corruption and so many horrific atrocities. Many mainstream professors of sociology seem either unable or unwilling to offer a definitive answer or offer conventional answers.

For instance, Adorno, Frenkel-Brunswik, Levinson & Sanford<sup>[3]</sup> coined the term “[authoritarian personality](#)” to label the result of oppressive/repressive social conditioning typical of rampant fascism. They saw fanatical adoration of monsters—like Hitler et al—as maintained by internalization and normalization of fake-values, harmful character defects, fallacious beliefs, and monstrous, anti-ethical behaviors. The results were and are produced and maintained by authoritarian parents and societies.

For example, numerous studies show that chronic emotional violence, pandemic domestic violence, cruelty, degrading speech, mistreatment and deficient caring alters our brains’ neurobiology and biochemistry.<sup>[4]</sup> Therefore, afflicted children avoid suffering or punishment by obeying, complying, and conforming as expected. That also trains young victims to accept sadomasochistic or dominant/subservient roles and behaviors as normal ways to win and retain rewards, benefits, and social status. The syndrome is maintained by subliminal psychosocial defensive mechanisms and self-censorship. That enforces the dynamic conservatism of virulent APD, making it a psychosocial-cultural pandemic.

In barbaric militaristic autocracies, APD makes questioning or not conforming to a tyrant’s monstrous ideology unthinkable or treasonous. Obeying commands of an evil authority figure (or the regime) seems perfectly normal to loyal fanatics. Hate, violence and anti-ethical conduct are regularly focused against dissenters, resisters, opponents and ‘enemies’ of the psychopathic cult leader, the regime, and its elite supporters. Projecting subliminal defects and deficiencies onto ‘others’ automates blaming and scapegoating of victims, often labeled as aliens and/or inferiors. In APD’s most malignant form, babies become hyper-narcissistic megalomaniacs and/or sadistic abusers.

Using a neoMarxist APD diagnosis to explain fanatical support of Adolf Hitler by ‘good’ Germans (before and during most of WW2), Al Szymanski<sup>[5]</sup> supported radical use of Sigmund Freud’s theory of socialization and character formation.

Szymanski wrote, “Perhaps the most important aspect of character structure in class societies is its channeling of energies into *authoritarian* character traits.”<sup>[6]</sup>

Clearly though, classism is not the worst factor subverting mass-societies. Of course, the “energies” Szymanski mentioned are actions of compliant supporters of the tyrant’s family, group, community, and the power elite. Also, for analyzing psychopathologies of fascist societies and authoritarian cultures, Szymanski seemingly accepted Freud’s ideas about selfhood, socialization, sexuality, and power dynamics. So, Freud’s theory was used to critique the absence of mass-outrage and effective opposition to the cruelties, inequities, absurdities, repression, and oppression that plagued authoritarian societies. Yet, Freudian neoMarxist theory misses glaringly obvious causal factors: the institutionally normalized evils, mass-thievery, fraudulent propaganda, and chronic corruption of dictatorships.

For example, Trump’s reign of errors, his ongoing torrents of lies, ecocidal idiocy<sup>[7]</sup> and brazen corruption serve as perfect examples of kleptocracy. Yet, loyalty to cunning fools, cult leaders, and ecocidal megalomaniacs keeps on supporting self-defeating, anti-ethical contempt for justice, and the USA’s constitutional rule of law. It seems almost worse that so many non-Trumpi politicians and citizens fail to call the problem what it is and stop it. So, though neoFreudian and neoMarxist analyses may seem necessary and sufficient, they clearly fail to fully address the effects of subversive propaganda, selective inattention, fake-values, rampant immorality, systemic corruption, DKS, and APD.

Systematic exploitation continues to foster, aggravate, and maintain mass-APD. Yet, neoMarxists ignore or dismiss the anti-ethical role of the intimidated (and/or bamboozled) majority, and its collusion by default. The neoFreudians seem unable to admit that mass-APD requires pervasive systematic normalization of paranoid-schizoid mass-psychosis (PSMP) and ethical relativism (normative immorality). Psychotic normality then makes war, jobs, and kleptocracy<sup>[8]</sup> seem more important than a.) the biosphere sustaining all lives and b.) a generally high quality of life (QOL) for all.

Strict neoFreudians and conventional neoMarxists also fail to recognize the severity of PSMP. Yet, rule by terror, mass-intimidation, and subliminal dread are ‘forcers’ of anti-ethical corruption. Hence, such normalized mass-psychoses cause, promote, and maintain malignant societies, whether they seem authoritarian or not.

Szymanski did achieve a useful critique of plutocratic capitalist pathologies. Yet, he (and Freud and Marx) missed the deeper levels of illness that enable and maintain anti-ethical monopolism and kleptocracy, globally. Now, neoMarxists making capitalism seem like a single, homogenous system is worse than misleading. Ignoring the living examples of truly compassionate capitalists, cooperatives, and nations—that care more for general domestic wellness than GDP (and Winners Take All games ‘good’ for 0.00001% of us)—derails effective diagnosis and treatment of malignant monopolism.

Szymanski’s work also implies that we are all born equal, maybe not with a clean slate, but without unequal qualities and potentials. Clearly though, it is neither scientific nor realistic to ignore or reject the possibility of innate, inborn qualities, traits, potentials, and limitations—determined by prenatal maternal biochemistry and external substances (pollution) and/or epigenetic imprints of previous generations. Thus, openness to all

possible factors and principles that influence patterns of social activity, inequality, and cultural illness enables our best diagnoses and results. Effective diagnoses and prognoses of sick societies clearly require effective whole-system analysis, involving:

- neurochemistry & epigenetics
- cognitive science & linguistics
- psychology, sociology, & anthropology
- axiology & ecology
- archeology & holistic macro-history
- ethical meta-economics, and
- realistic macro-ontology

Otherwise, while neoFreudian works explain some basics of institutionalized APD, they fail to support full understanding. That makes conventional sociology incapable of diagnosing itself, much less the corrupted host society. Healing requires full consideration of all causes and effects of

- subversive propaganda (for profit, etc.)
- mass-deception
- crime cartels
- normalized political corruption
- financial exploitation by elitists
- anti-ethical power-brokers

In fact, Hitler and Trump could only gain and maintain political power with broad-based support for fraudulent use of propaganda (commercial advertising, etc.). They use lies, perversions of myth, science, history, education, mass-psychology, and control of the mass-media. Mussolini, Hitler, Stalin, Mao, and all other autocratic tyrants also needed and exploited the destabilizing ruin of national economies and their monetary systems. That precedes and enables the take-over and getting away with imposition of totalitarian dictatorship.

Without the prerequisites—terror, chaos, and mass-confusion—people would never give in to APD and PSMP, then support a Trump, Putin, Mussolini, or Hitler. Without being driven to irrational extremes, a large minority of seemingly sane people would not let their national cultural heritage and spiritual values be ruined, trampled, suppressed, repressed, and mocked by the likes of Trump.

Now, despite lack of attention, more than 30 expert psychiatrists, psychotherapists, and psychologists (including Trump's niece, Dr. Mary Trump)<sup>[9]</sup> diagnosed Donald J. Trump as suffering "malignant narcissism" (etc.). However, compared to Hitler, Stalin, and other infamous psychopaths, Trump is like a spoiled brat pretending to be a patriotic savior. Thus, the diagnosis could be revised, to severely narcissistic APD.

However, using neoFreudian psychology and neoMarxist sociology can only apply limited, obsolete notions about sex, self, and ego (etc.) to analysis of APD. On the other hand, in her classic *The Drama of the Gifted Child*,<sup>[10]</sup> Dr. Alice Miller psychoanalyzed childhood traumas that damaged and limited Freud and Hitler, among other Germans. It

helps explain Trump's malignant narcissism, hyper-APD (megalomania), DKS, and the historic pathology of autocratic plutocracy and corporate kleptocracy in general.

Obviously, for understanding DKS, APD, and mass-APD, fully considering all the neurological effects of infantile traumatic distress disorder (ITDD) is important. Consider illusory or delusional normality. Consciousness and identity remain mostly mysterious. Yet, most of the time, the way most of us think, talk and act are normally taken for granted. We act as if the nature, origin, abilities, and potentials of our 'selves' are well-understood. Hence, Trump and his cult are living proof of semi-conscious and subconscious selves. The same is clearly true of a majority of the rest of us.

Why? Normative self-deception and ITDD cause and maintain misunderstanding of the whole basis of selfhood, society, and sociology. Yet, self-deception and neurotic denial seem to protect the damaged ego from its worst fears. Now, recall that the best theories and proofs have the greatest explanatory power, not just the how of a reality, but also the why. So, our questions should include ourselves:

Why does any baby grow up a monster, or then let monsters rule and ruin the world? Why do so many seemingly good humans go along with heartless con-artists and vicious madmen? Even now, some of us admire and adore Hitler, Trump, and other petty tyrants, or put up with them for far too long. Why do we ever support development and self-destruction of a militaristic empire, as doomed as all the others?

Why? ITDD, APD, DKS, pandemic APD, mass-dyseducation, evil, and kleptocracy degrade and overwhelm cultural wellness and good governance. All that fuels pandemic mass-neurosis and malignant mass-psychosis. We see abundant proof of that in America's pandemic mass-killings; also in [\*The Culture of Make-Believe\*](#),<sup>[11]</sup> by [Derrick Jensen](#).

Jensen gained great insight into the how and why of monstrosity. He tackles the whole history of human atrocity, seeing 'normal sanity' as essentially delusional, a false reality. He also proves [Alan Watts](#) and [R.D. Laing](#) right: Modern civilization is the context and breeding ground of mental illness. Jensen's earlier [\*A Language Older than Words\*](#)<sup>[12]</sup> may be a more palatable introduction to his work. Clearly, too much of our existence is shaped and plagued by minor atrocities, daily, and massively monstrous atrocities far too often. So, it would be wise to make Jensen's works required reading for sociology, especially [\*Endgame\*](#),<sup>[13]</sup> while civil society remains possible. Consider the risks and challenges.

## Prognosis

For the first time in more than a million years, the atmospheric greenhouse gas (GHG) levels are rising fast enough to cause an ice-free warm-age. Rapidly rising levels of N<sub>2</sub>O (nitrous oxide) and CH<sub>4</sub> (methane) ensure that. Why? At 20 years, free CH<sub>4</sub> is 84 times more potent than CO<sub>2</sub> and, at release, N<sub>2</sub>O is 298 times more potent.<sup>[13]</sup> At 22,000 to 23,500 times more potency (than CO<sub>2</sub>), sulphur hexafluoride now accounts for only 1% of our GHG production, but it remains airborne for 3200 years. GHGs are forcing faster polar warming and melting, causing more polar water vapor and cloud cover, causing more warming. Increasing absorption of solar energy in ice-free polar oceans, plus less cloud cover elsewhere, are accelerating tropical warming and GHG release.<sup>[14]</sup> Those interacting processes also accelerate glacier meltdown, decreasing fresh water for cities, farms, etc.

Accurate prediction of our meltdown deadline is now impossible. Yet, precision is not as important as mitigation and minimization of all the accelerators.

For example, new record-breaking temperatures every year and annual measure of changes show that the “tipping-point” to irreversible warming has passed.<sup>[15]</sup> Slowing and minimizing the warming and melting as much as possible is the best we can do now.

Now, 8.1+ billion people—families, communities, cultures, societies, governments, officials, and all our actions—are inseparable causal elements of the quality of life (QOL) on Earth. So, thinking and acting as if ecocidal normality is not a cultural illness tends to prevent a cure while fostering and supporting more monstrosity and disaster.

For example, if mass-insanity continues, at our current rate of ‘normal’ commercial activity, global effects are now expected to kill nearly all marine life by 2030.<sup>[16]</sup> Then, without effective prevention, all life on land may be irreversibly doomed by 2040—by habitat destruction, more massive wildfires, massive drought, crop failure, catastrophic flooding in agricultural areas, coastal cities and nuclear power plants submerged, and multiple pandemics of deadly plagues.<sup>[17]</sup>

Why? Most plants and organisms more complex than microbes and insects cannot adapt to a rapid change or loss of their habits. However, in only 170 years, industrial civilization caused radical habitat change like nature caused in 170 million years, more than a million years ago.<sup>[18]</sup> Before then, the planet was ice-free. Average sea-level was then over 230 feet (70 meters) higher. The CO<sub>2</sub> level was then over 400 ppm, nearly our current level.<sup>[19]</sup> All the GHGs of our era’s petrocene lifestyles could cause something like the [Permian-Triassic great die-off mass-extinction](#) (GDOME). It scorched and poisoned the Earth about 250 million years ago.<sup>[20]</sup> Life then took about 60 million years to restore optimum biodiversity.

Without a sane response, Earth’s ice will keep melting faster, becoming seawater, possibly flooding almost everywhere below 230 feet above current average sea-level.<sup>[21]</sup> If we continue ecocidal normality, hundreds of coastal nuclear power plants will be flooded, blowup, meltdown, and countless tons of deadly nuclear fallout and wastes would poison the rain, riverine estuaries, currents of the oceans and new shallow seas of a post-ice-age planet. It would not be the work of demons, but normal monsters can do it by default.

So, we may have 8 years to accomplish what we should have begun 60 years ago. Are we sane enough? Do we care enough?

Hopefully, yes, for if we fail, and all the fuel rods and waste of low-elevation power plants (etc.) are not moved ASAP,<sup>[22]</sup> survivors of monstrosity will suffer a final atrocity. In that hellish dystopia, in a dying biosphere, all life would suffer horribly and eventually be burnt or dissolved by super-acidic rain, spreading radioactive super-toxic heavy metals everywhere. Our man-made GDOME could then last far longer than a million years.<sup>[23]</sup> It could be the first ecocidal mass-extinction caused by monstrous mass-psychosis.

## Ecotherapy

Everything that 8+ billion of us think, say, and do makes a huge impact on the world and in Earth’s biosphere, the egg-shell thin layer of rock, soil, water, air, and energy that enables all the life that sustains us.

Everything that happens to the biosphere affects all of us, regardless of location and socioeconomic status. So, for an effective global emergency response, it will be best if we all upgrade our wisdom, compassion, and creativity ASAP.

As always, gaining greater understanding to enhance quality of life (QOL) is the real purpose of science. Therefore, though Freud's theorems and neoMarxist-neoFreudian sociology may be pretty-good, neither are really good enough. To sustain a sane civilization, we need a realistic, holistic approach, based on real wisdom and a bio-ethical sociocultural paradigm. That paradigm plus ecospheric awareness could enable us to prevent our worst-case scenario.

Yet, if most of us stay addicted to ecocidal propaganda, chronic self-deception, and denial, we will all suffer more unfortunate consequences. That would ensure more mass-authoritarian personality disorder, more and worse DKS (more mistakes, disinformation, cognitive dissonance, psychic paralysis, etc.).<sup>[24]</sup> Malignant egomania, repressed guilt, chronic fear, and hate programmed into billions of young brains would increase. More would then be subliminally, neurologically blinded, and our inner monsters could rule. They would reinforce subliminal guilt, fears, hostility—and habitual blame-shifting—to ensure conformity, loyalty, obedience, mass-corruption, and mass-delusion.

The sane alternative, co-creating our best possible future, offers our best odds for avoiding a worst possible endgame.

If enough of us choose to consider the truth, reality, and real science soon enough, and begin appropriate mass-cooperation, we may not fail. If we choose to take the cure and do all we can to reverse Earth's rapidly increasing fever, all of us might thrive in a new, much Greener, better world. Clearly, the atrocious alternative is horrific dystopia.

No amount of money or weaponry or socio-political power will save any of us from the consequences of not responding appropriately. If we choose failure, then, between 2030 and 2040 this planet will be a super-stormy, fiery hell for all (except for certain insects and microbes). So, mass-ecotherapy, habitat restoration, moving coastal nuclear power plants (etc.), and launching a huge fleet of giant semi-autonomous cooling drones give us best-case odds of success.

Consider this: A recent study<sup>[25]</sup> shows that a 0.4% annual increase of planting cover-crops on barren ground would absorb all the CO<sub>2</sub> we might emit over the next 20 years.<sup>[26]</sup>

Naturally, that would not save our coastal cities and infrastructure (nuclear power plants, etc.).<sup>[27]</sup> To save civilization and ourselves, we need to progressively increase our annual rates of regreening, habitat restoration, rewilding and recovery. The project also requires optimum improvement in every sector of industry and every strata of human culture, during the next 7 years. In other words, our only real cure is a truly holistic, global emergency response, ASAP.

## **Recovery Protocols**

We have a polycrisis maintained by our psychosocial metacrisis. Now, it may seem our species is too retarded or immature, too complacent or apathetic, oblivious, negative,



self-destructive, and our cultural illness too malignant for a real cure: a global emergency rescue operation that works.

Such counter-productive presumptions are part of the problem, not of appropriate response, a real solution. History proves that civilizations can survive and achieve almost miraculous reversals of disastrous declines. Some of those happened seemingly at or beyond the last moment.<sup>[28]</sup> We should be encouraged by the fact that those fortunate culture's succeeded without our modern technology, science, and so many workers.

So, though 2 billion to 8+ billion of us, wrecked the world and biosphere in only 170 years or so, 8+ billion of us can start reversing the process of global destabilization and destruction. With our current technologies and sciences, we can all start cooperating to co-create a truly sustainable way of civilization. We can restore huge ecoregions<sup>[29]</sup> with ongoing reforestation and regreening of Earth's gigantic deserts. That will also accelerate recovery of oceanic habitats. Creating a huge fleet of massive, island-size SeaArks (for about 6 billion of us) will accelerate global healing and recovery.

For example, if a tiny 0.4% annual increase of greening bare ground can compensate for our next 27 years of GHG emissions, then increasing the annual rate of greening will do much more. Combining an expedited reforestation program, globally, while providing shaded reef-like substructures of an ever growing number of colossal SeaArk<sup>[30]</sup> eco-resort cities will be mobile marine habitat restoration incubators. Potentially, massive SeaArks can also sequester and convert marine CO<sub>2</sub> into fertilizers for billions of square meters of crops (in enclosed, vertical urban/suburban agriculture & aquaculture).

In fact, a fleet of up to 2000 SeaArk eco-resort cities could support a population of 6 billion of us. Getting most of us offshore will accelerate the reforestation and recovery of continental habitats, soaking up ever more CO<sub>2</sub> and toxins while exhaling more oxygen.

A good way to expedite the transition to recovery and cultural wellness is reading (or listening to) [\*How to Think Like Leonardo Da Vinci: 7 Steps to Genius Every Day\*](#),<sup>[31]</sup> and using the companion workbook, both by Michael Gelb. Then, if all or most 'normal' adults and teachers of students—from K-12 to college levels—use the principles and methods Da Vinci used,<sup>[32]</sup> we can end runaway global warming, prevent total ice-melt, dramatically decrease destructive weather, minimize (then prevent) ever-more

- super-storms & massive floods
- mega-fires, ever more & longer droughts
- water riots, famines, etc.

We could co-create the sane, bio-ethical civilization we need to end poverty, homelessness and, possibly, war. How, exactly, can we accomplish all that? The answer, strategy and protocols are provided in 3 works-in-progress: on CRAFT (*How We Make the Future*),<sup>[33]</sup> on *Civilization or Dystopia*,<sup>[34]</sup> and on *Awareness and Power*.<sup>[35]</sup> We may not create Heaven on Earth, but we could end Hell on Earth, if we choose. That is the critical issue.

Will the increasingly rapid acceleration and severity of this civilization's Endgame prompt a sudden, last moment awakening? Will we choose an appropriate response, a life-saving global emergency operation? If the 2020 super-storm, super-flooding, and

super-fire season is an indication of exponential progression, we will all soon see whether enough of us really want to escape our ecocidal manias, our apathy, complacency, and the culture of cowardice.<sup>[36]</sup>

Why mention cowardice? A culture of corruption requires a culture of cowardice. What supports a culture of cowardice? Mass-PTSD, mass-ITDD, PSMP, pandemic APD, DKS, terror, violence, propaganda, punishments, and rewards.

On the other hand, not thinking that quantity of life equals quality, we stay free of worry and slavery (to deluded cowardice).<sup>[37]</sup> As always, cowards may not die a thousand deaths yet, living as slaves of fear, we forfeit a life worth living.

Hence, a life worth living is worth losing for the right reasons. In other words, we can live a Good life and have a Good death, enjoying a truly high quality of life here, and hereafter.<sup>[38]</sup> That possibility seems assured by original grace, natural integrity, relativity, infinity, and the unbreakable universal law of interdependent interaction AKA “karma” (action-reaction, cause and effect).<sup>[39]</sup>

When enough of us live accordingly, we could create a global miracle cure, together. Yet, we need to recall Carl Sagan’s diagnosis:

““Our worst problem may be that too many of us are too easily bamboozled; and the worse and longer...the less we want to know about it.””<sup>[40]</sup>

Clearly, Buddha and Jesus came to a similar realization, but also a prescription: End the metacrisis. In other words, choosing to know and live in accord with the truth (reality), honestly, can free us of ignorance, self-delusion, and self-destruction. Otherwise, as long as the parasitic debt-money game rewards normalized corruption, normalized egos will prefer flattery and lies to difficulty and reality.

## **Preventative Medicine**

On the 6th of January, 2021, Trumpists and violent fanatics attempted a coup de etat, for the failed President, Donald J. Trump. The previous draft of this work was completed December 31, 2021. Since then, further observation—of pandemic confusion, political stupidity, systemic corruption, ever-mounting chaos and disasters—called for an update of my thesis and the prescription. First, a disclaimer is in order.

If my diagnosis seems focused too much on Trump and Trumpi Republicans, let me assure you, members of the other political parties and nonvoters are equally responsible for our worsening global crises. Why? Decades ago, Edward R. Murrow<sup>[41]</sup> and then Neil Postman<sup>[42]</sup> realized that normal people are allergic to reality and unpleasant news.

So, we slid ever further into the post-Truth Age of Showbiz, technopoly and toxic monopolism.<sup>[43]</sup> Big media and governments are now run by and for advertisers, lobbyists, psychopathic executives, anti-ethical investors, and profit, not for the good of all, not even for Trump. So, of course 30 million Trumpi cultists are enraged, confused, desperate and willingly enslaved by their bleach-blonde fake savior, believing in his rain of lies.<sup>[44]</sup> But most modern consumers are equally confused, bamboozled, and exploited, constantly.

Yet, foolishness is no excuse. Vicious attacks, fascist insurrection, fraud, murderous piracy, crimes against humanity and ecocidal mass-destruction are not a solution. They

deserve prosecution and conviction.<sup>[45]</sup> Trump's conspiracy of deceit, hate, slanders, fascist race-baiting, fraud, treason<sup>[46]</sup> and other crimes make him ready for trial and conviction, not election. Obviously, believing in Trump more than their religious leaders makes more than 60% of Republican voters equally ill accomplices, aiding and abetting an enemy of humanity and nature.<sup>[47]</sup>

Luckily, the USA's current symptoms are mild, compared to the worst post-WW1 economic disasters and chaos.<sup>[48]</sup> In the USA, most under-class families suffer little or none of the horrible hardships, atrocious violence, and injuries inflicted on the people of China and Russia prior to and during WWII.<sup>[49]</sup> Now, most societies lack the ultra-hostile mass-rage that fueled the mass-beheadings of the French Revolution and Pol Pot's mass-murder of Cambodia's teachers, professionals, et al.<sup>[50]</sup> In fact, so far, the Powers that Be prevent whole-system collapse, devastating hyper-inflation, and total chaos (etc.). However, the plutocratic-oligarchy's control of the forces of corruption and sociopolitical chaos<sup>[51]</sup> keeps diminishing. Karmic momentum builds at an exponentially accelerating rate. Yet, the best national constitutions and existing political party platforms and policies offer no cure or safe alternatives.<sup>[52]</sup>

Indeed, modern nations, governments, and institutions prevent appropriate global response. Their constitutions, political parties, politicians, voters, bureaucrats, and major media corporations serve only the status quo that serves vested interests, the power elite. Sadly, they seem unaware of the increasingly deadly threats<sup>[53]</sup> caused by their ignorant arrogance, neurotic denial, and anti-ethical greed, preventing a real cure. If that were untrue, the UN's initiatives and programs<sup>[54]</sup> would have ended or reversed the causes of extreme climate change, toxic pollution, and resource wars long ago.

So far, no effective response to any sub-crises (threatening us with mass-extinction) has begun. No real solution is being discussed and planned by the Powers that Be (and their political proxies).<sup>[55]</sup> That fact is verified by ongoing lack of any evidence of global cooperation for effective mitigation<sup>[56]</sup> of the causes and effects of extreme climate change and massive global pollution.

In other words, nobody but us will save us from the consequences of mass-insanity. No single politician can or will save a nation from ultra-complicated interacting processes and forces unleashed by ecocidal corporations, lobbyists, politicians, bureaucracies, crime cartels, and billions of bamboozled consumers. No existing political parties can or would oppose the corporations and donors funding their campaigns.<sup>[57]</sup> No young folks will force real change by protesting government corruption-as-usual. The truth is, if we really want to help all generations survive and thrive, most of us need to help create and support an alliance for doing a 7-year global emergency recovery program.

The mission of such an alliance might be ending ecocidal misrule, while eliminating and/or mitigating consequences, symptoms, and residual causal factors.<sup>[58]</sup> Achieving that requires realistic and achievable long-term objectives. Yet, an evolutionary strategy is essential for long-term success of any large enterprise. Naturally, the best-case success of a complex project depends on letting all participants and key stakeholders<sup>[59]</sup> help develop tactics and methods that best support achieving the objectives. Now, if any of the above

fails to motivate concerned citizens, our odds for a best-case future would be either extremely low or nil.

Hopefully, this prescription inspires and supports well-orchestrated cooperation and appropriate remedial action. Yes, it may be too late for what may seem like a best-case future. We can do our best and still fail. Yet, who has anything better to do?

Keeping the late [Admiral Rickover](#)'s<sup>[60]</sup> definition of responsibility in mind, the right choice is more obvious and compelling:

“Among [these] principles of existence, responsibility...forces man to become involved. Acceptance of responsibility means that the individual takes upon himself an obligation. Responsibility is broad and continuous. None of us are ever free of it, even if our work is unsuccessful.

“Responsibility implies a commitment to self which many are not willing to make; they are strongly attracted to accepting a course of action or direction for their lives imposed by an external source. Such a relationship absolves the individual from the personal decision-making process. He wraps himself in the security blanket of inevitability or dogma, and need not invest the enormous amounts of time, effort and, above all, the thought required to make creative decisions and meaningfully participate in the governance of his life.

“Responsibility also implies a commitment to others...each of us is meant to rescue the world. It is the business of little minds to shrink from this task or to go about it without enthusiasm. Neither art, nor science, nor any of the great works of humanity would ever come into being without enthusiasm.

“The sense of responsibility for doing a job right seems to be declining. In fact, the phrase “I am not responsible” has become a standard response...to complaints on a job poorly done. This response is a semantic error. Generally, what a person means is: I cannot be held legally liable.

“Yet, from a moral or ethical point of view, the person who disclaims responsibility is correct. By taking [that] way out he is truly not responsible; he is irresponsible.”

That perfectly explains the cause, illness, and monstrosities of fascist dictatorships. So, with responsibility, ethical integrity, appropriate education, and commitment to the mission, we can avoid worst-case dystopia and minimize monstrosity. That is a real truth. It should seem encouraging or, at least, make the effort and results seem worthwhile.

After all, the world is us. Either we rescue it, cultivating psychosocial wellness, or we let malignant cultural illness end this world. Either way, we all get to experience the global effects of all the monstrosities we fail to prevent or remedy.

Therefore, proposing a cure seems appropriate. Yes, with 8.1 billion of us consuming and wasting as much as we do—hoping technology saves us—this may seem hugely unrealistic. Yet, since we are the only ones who can do it, a strategy and plan are in order. Fortunately, both are available. First, we start by facing the facts.

For example, a vast majority of us love being happy, feeling good, welcoming any change for the better. But who wants to change? We really are creatures of habit. Habits can be the best of servants and the worst masters. So, a vast majority of us loathe even the thought of changing our habits. We also tend to ignore the fact that we often love causes of pain and suffering, while hating or ignoring causes of real happiness.

Obviously, the way out of our potentially dystopian dilemma involves an action plan that short-circuits ego's habitual self-deception and subliminal defense mechanisms. In other words, to do what we all need to do to save ourselves and our habitat, we need to be happy about it, really feeling good doing it, enthusiastically.

We need rewards. To treat the symptoms of our global cultural illness and start reversing the process of ecocidal destruction, we clearly need every possible kind of reward. Yet, the winning strategy requires tricking ourselves out of our inappropriate habits, and into the best habits and rewards. Fortunately, negative incentives also support curing our rapidly mounting global consequences.

For example, even some of the greediest, most corrupt among us hate suffering pain and misery. There are no permanent exemptions. Relentlessly, the symptoms of our mass-carelessness, irresponsibility, and deliberate ignorance get worse ever more rapidly, daily, globally. The effects and emotional relativity make transitioning to truly healthy habits of thought and behavior ever more rewarding. The accelerating rate of change causes an accelerating decrease of the social momentum and power of humanity's bad habits. That lessens our resistance to change while rapidly increasing recognition of the benefits. All that supports increasing enthusiasm, further accelerating change for the better.

The actual action plan is simple. Essentially, our challenge is counteracting our five most basic bad habits:

1. Ignorant foolishness, self-delusion
2. Greed, obsessive craving
3. Hostility, cruelty, violent reactivity
4. Jealousy, toxic desires & intentions
5. False pride, arrogant conceit

All five of those toxic states depend on deficient awareness and lack of the wisdom of experience. Yet, most children know that indulging those illnesses always ends badly, without real benefits. So, all of us choosing the alternatives would end our worst-case consequences by ending our subliminal metacrisis. Consider the potentials of mass-commitment to:

1. Optimum awareness and wisdom
2. Confident self-reliance and generosity
3. Appropriate responsiveness, helpfulness
4. Compassionate intentions and actions
5. Realistic self-assessment and perspective

Without sustaining those optimal ways of human being, the best possible success is clearly impossible, for any of us and all of us. Fortunately, as the transition nears optimal momentum, ever more of us will want to emulate the successful role models among us.

For individuals, families, groups, and communities the symptoms and consequences of the five basic psychosocial illnesses will then diminish, ever more rapidly.

In other words, the causes of foolishness, dissatisfaction, and conflict will be rapidly minimized. The causes of theft, fraud, ecocidal profiteering and resource wars will rapidly diminish. The causes of mean-spirited ill-will, hatefulness, and destructive violence will rapidly diminish, globally. The effects of sexism, divorce, inappropriate sexual relations, unwanted pregnancy, and over-population will rapidly diminish. The rapid increase of realistic humility will diminish the global effects of arrogant cruelty.

Just a rapid decrease of the raising, feeding, and killing of animals, insects, and the harming of birds and habitats (for AgriBiz profits) will enable very rapid reversal of the worst effects of extreme climate change. Why? A major cause of radical climate change and its super-destructive effects is deforestation and destruction of habitat. That requires promoting modern consumers' dietary habits (maintained with ecocidal agriculture and mass-psy-ops). The other major cause of ecological disaster is habitual pollution and over-use of machines (cars, trucks, buses, aircraft, heaters, air conditioners, industrial facilities, etc.). Unfortunately, ecocidal urban-suburban sprawl causes and supports increasing waste of energy, resources (water, etc.), time, and opportunity.

Clearly, avoiding ecocidal dystopia requires a massive global makeover of modern civilization and our habits, ASAP.

However, nobody has anything better to do. But, will we choose the cure, and save ourselves (and our habitat)? Do we all want a sustainably wonderful quality of life? That second question seems to imply a positive answer to the previous question. Yes, the odds against us seem unbeatable, but we have no better choice.

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## **29 :: APPENDIX F :: Marxism vs. Realism, Etc.**

Does modern civilization support predominantly orderly, unitive, integrative social harmony or are social chaos, conflict and disintegrative forces and norms more predominant?

Clearly, the quality, wellness and sustainability of a civilization or a community depend on the quality of its paradigm, its values, bioethics, norms, activities and impacts on its habitat, its citizens and other communities or civilizations, if any. So, the general quality of life, wellness and happiness are directly proportional to the quality of civilization's 1) paradigm, 2) its systemic integrity, 3) its technology and 4) the activities of its citizens & groups.

The nature and quality of a civilization's sociocultural ethos and dominant world-view also determine the nature and quality of its esthetic creations, artifacts, media content, institutions, architecture, laws and its modes of government, industry and commerce. So, if a civilization's paradigm lacks great positive values and bioethical

integrity, its politics, laws, institutions, agencies and regulatory systems will lack intrinsic logical & ethical integrity.

It seems wise to remember that Marshall McLuhan and Buckminster Fuller saw our technologies as extensions of our bodies, minds, faculties and abilities. So, they can only embody or express the current quality of our mentality and ability. Much of our environment is now technology and tech-mediated or webcast. Some wise observers saw that we shape our environment and then it shapes and limits us. Such ideas may not be entirely true, yet they seem true enough to be helpful.

Sociology, anthropology and economics offer more powerful examples of the interdependent interactivity of sociocultural and personal phenomena, influences, forces and events. For example, using a sociological lens to examine sociology, we can see it as a multicultural society. It consists of various flavors of 2 main theoretical models, competing cults & factions, several schools of thought, several subcultures, and it lacks a unifying foundation of integrative metatheory.

Why? Its schizoid paradigm and dualistic norms support academic specialty silos, McDonaldization, “dormant [unthinkable] anomalies” and subconscious systemic censorship. So, so far—like anthropology, political ‘science’ and economics—the society of sociologists, dominant sociology theorists, teachers, faculties and students have not been able to evolve beyond its core conundrum.

For instance, many sociologists realize that the works of Karl Marx were composed of sociological theorems, conjectures and opinions about the nature of capitalist industrial societies and their economies. Some probably realize that countless critics and defenders have published thousands of papers and books on Marx and his work. Yet, most sociologists and economists fail to realize that his main ideas and predictions have been disproven or proven unprovable. So, Marxist pseudo-theory should only be taught as historical pseudo-science and/or aberrant pop-science.

Instead, Marx and Marxism remain hot topics in modern academia. Speculative ‘Marxist’ theorems and opinions still gain seemingly serious attention, consideration, respect and space in textbooks on sociology and economics.

Yes, Marx was right about many of the awful symptoms of the industrial revolution and predatory capitalists, but he was wrong about the cause and the cure, also about value, money and economics in general. Why? Not understanding money, credit, finance, business and the truth about economics prevents understanding society and the power of financial corruption.

So, even today economics textbooks and teachers fail to offer realistic explanation and history of money and the realities of fraudulent monetary policy and corrupt banking practices. Few economists have extensive knowledge of the real nature, strategies, tactics and scale of financial-political corruption. Nearly all authors of economics and sociology texts write and talk as if valid knowledge of money, parasitic monetary policy and systemic financial fraud is unnecessary.

Amazingly, the major mainstream media networks now host documentary films that reveal the true nature and mechanics of globalist kleptocracy. Not that they are

perfect or comprehensive, but [Capitalism: A Love Story](#) and [The Best Government that Money can Buy?](#) do more to explain reality USA than all economics textbooks combined. For ignoring the evil and impact of anti-ethical corruption, mainstream sociological texts are no more helpful.

Why, and how can that be? There never was a generally accepted theory or praxis of either axiology—the science of value—or of ontology (the science of being). So, there was no way for economics and sociology to attain or sustain comprehensive realism and bioethical integrity. That limited Marx to an inadequate approach to a fragmentary theoretical context with insufficient data and incomplete knowledge of the subject: industrial society and the plutocratic oligarchy of technopoly.

How could all that happen? For the basic reason mentioned above, our deficient and subverted

- Paradigms
- Laws
- Values
- Norms and
- Regressive conservative power dynamics

For the sake of fairness, we should remember that the fault lies not with any of civilization's individual participants or even the communities of practitioners of sociology, anthropology and economics. While there are several very questionable champions of very inadequate theorems and repressive academic attitudes, the causal fault factors arose in the very nature of civilization, institutions, communities, social groups, families and most human individuals.

For instance, due to inherent weaknesses and tendencies, many of us are vulnerable to corruption and normative delusion, possibly from birth, if not before. Yet, neither Marx nor any other popular sociologist, anthropologist or economist fully accounted for the reality and negative impacts & influence of corruption and delusional group dynamics. Evidently, only Leopold Kohr, Ivan Illich and E.F. Schumacher have dealt with the issues, tangentially, without actually calling systematic corruption a toxic evil (or cultural illness).

So, if sociology, anthropology, political science, economics and philosophy exist for the good of humanity, it seems obvious that the bar must be raised. Social sciences must get more realistic and holistic to get truly scientific.

Hence, my best answer to my opening question—on conflict and disintegrity versus natural order & harmony—requires a new paradigm metatheory, supporting meta-sociology + meta-anthropology + meta-economics, which could be called sociocultural holonomics. That can only be enabled and sustained with an effective paradigm.

Until we have those, the forces of division, disorder, conflict and unfair exploitation by the 1%ers will dominate sociocultural reality.



**For practitioners**, a solution will require developing a realistic ontology of social science, its holontology. For any of us, gaining the greatest understanding of sociocultural reality clearly requires a major upgrade of the current sociocultural paradigm installed in our brains, 'Hearts' and minds.

Otherwise, current trends and regressive/reactive players will keep subverting our preference for cooperative harmony, pain-free happiness and comfort to support divisive conflict and easy exploitation.

Why? To keep the permanent war & terror industry constantly fueled and well-funded. For what or whom? For the sake of the ongoing dominance of 1% of us and the hyper-rich elitists. The most surprising example of that is the negative effects of the Federal Reserve System.

In reality, "the Fed" is a privately-owned cartel, run by and for the biggest multinational banks and their majority stockholders. It is not a federal agency and has no real reserves. Its currency has no real value of its own and is created instantly whenever its controllers want to do so for other bankers and kleptocratic cohorts.

Yet, almost everyone considers 'USD' Fed-bucks acceptable and superior to other valueless central bank currencies. Most are either unaware or ignore the fact that The Fed' system has constantly devalued the world's currencies since it began, in 1913. Why? To increase the winning scores & power of 0.00001% of us, as nearly everyone else grows poorer, more confused and more addicted to the game.

**Now**, our dilemma's relevance to the social 'sciences' begs another question. Is our basic problem resolvable?

Gödel's well-proven incompleteness theory (GIT) makes it obvious that no theoretical system of axioms (postulates accepted as truths) can explain or predict all that may be possible in practice. The exception to that truth is the realm of metatheory. For example, the meta-axioms of a valid metatheory of mathematics could resolve the largely ignored crisis in physics. Obviously, the completion of metamathematics and the philosophy of maths would enable new theory, proofs and valid predictions in physics, resolving the many outrageous anomalies plaguing and crippling the current standard model.

Why and how? Mathematics is the new Word of God ruling physics, etc. The postulates of a complete metatheory, ontology and philosophy of mathematics or physics would accord with natural enabling principles of logic, form, structure, mentality and physicality, of being itself. So, a metatheory can sustain naturally holonomic, holotropic and coherent conceptual integrity.

Thus, a nondualistic, integrative approach to sociology, political science, economics and anthropology is possible. It is clearly necessary and, possibly, sustainably viable.

However, mastering economics and fiscal conundrums without deep understanding of commerce and business law seems eternally unlikely. Anyone who

ever started and managed successful businesses knows that Marx, neoMarxists and all mainstream economists have no idea what either value or money really are.

Value is both a metaphysical and psychosocial principle. Yet, it is often taken for granted as an externally objective phenomenon or fact of some special subject of interest. Money is both a symbolic belief system and a rule-based game. Assignment of monetary value, price and profit is always arbitrary, not a result of any fixed law or governing principle. Also, most economists ignore the impact of systematic monetary perversion, cheating and cheaters, especially the 1%ers and their corporations.

A few economists, most of them Muslim, consider the realities and alternative examples: In the case of a merchant on the Silk Road or in an open market in Morocco, there was and is no fixed value, price or profit. Furthermore, independent artisans and entrepreneurs guess at the best prices to make new products most attractive for a target market of consumers.

Since all kinds of relative values are notional, perceived values, the best pricing of a new product may be much higher than a competitor's pricing of a similar product. Price can indicate prestige value or collectors' value. On the other hand, a new kind of liquid soap was initially priced a little lower than competing brands and coupled with an extra, 'free' bottle. That won over housewives who then had enough soap for 2 months, winning more retail shelf space and nearly ruining the competition.

However, it is a well-known fact of business that esthetics, presentation and packaging—premium quality 'branding' & PR-hype—are responsible for over 90% of every first sale, and for brand loyalty. Also, different psychological factors are at play in each kind of product's market segment, and those can and change as personal, social, cultural and financial circumstances change.

In other words, there are far too many qualitative human factors, unknowables and variables to develop a simple theory or formula for describing either a microeconomic or macro-economic relationship of value and price and profit. Above all, people are not totally rational or totally irrational. Yet worse, most of us totally ignore the fact that all modern national currencies have no intrinsic fixed or actual value of their own. That alone makes a valid theory of money, economics, useful models and predictions impossible without a unitive metatheory of meta-economics, debt-free nonprofit money and a fixed standard of value.

Still, people being people, would all of us agree on a fixed global standard of monetary value? We should also ask whether that would be good or even possible. So far, a vast majority of economists seem totally unwilling to consider the fundamental issues.

So, expecting helpful explanations and predictions from economists—who lack extensive experience in business development & marketing—is like expecting good physics, astronomy & biology from people who have no experience with chemistry, telescopes & microscopes. Likewise, we should not expect optimal sociology and anthropology without mastery of the basics of human life and civilization.

Good social science and praxis require holistic understanding of values, bioethics and corruption.

Hence, mastering ecocentric bioethics and meta-economics seems a necessary and sufficient requirement for wise stewardship and great leadership. Those critical necessities may be the most critical scarcities we need to remedy. After all, if a 'social science' lacks that bioethical aim and reason for being, should anyone consider it either a science or a subject worth any consideration at all?

The right answer seems self-evident.

### **30 :: APPENDIX G :: Materialism + Idealism vs. Realism**

The dominant paradigm of American culture supports mass-acceptance and inefficient uses of technologies, fueled mainly by toxic petrochemicals.

Some of us may now think that our acceptance and use of cars, motorcycles, central heating & cooling systems, unGreen buildings, food from AgriBiz corporations, plastics and other products from all over the planet is wasteful, bad or insane. Yet, obviously, most of us are too busy to think about it or take effective action to end the insanity ASAP.

Should we think our addiction to harmful technologies insane? Why not? For instance, Marvin Harris points out that traffic jams in the USA emit more waste heat and toxic GHGs every day than all the cows in India cause in a single year.

Also, as shown in the latest Nova episode on polar meltdown, etc., the average car exhausts 5 pounds of carbon per gallon of gasoline. That, plus all the other uses of fossil fuels is causing a long-term warm-age cycle like the one that existed millions of years ago. That will increase the average sea-level by over 230 feet (74 meters). The melting of arctic permafrost will release ever more methane, nearly 100 times more potent than CO<sub>2</sub> in its first few years of freedom, 25 times more potent after 100 years. The rotting tundra will also produce & release ever more nitrous oxide, 298 times more potent than CO<sub>2</sub>. That means no more cities or towns or roads or cargo ports or airports or nuclear power plants, chemical plants and oil refineries near the USA's coasts, nor along many miles of our major riverbanks, less than 30 years from today.

Scientists can now only predict that sea-level will keep rising ever faster. Yet, most of us act as if there's no better way to live, no saner way of culture.

Why? A materialist might say that our petro-technopoly arose and persists because we were born and raised in it. Yet, Paolo Soleri, among other wise observers, noticed that the USA's urban-suburban sprawl was caused by and reinforces car use and the design of our built-environment. So, our cities and towns are designed for cars, trucks, roads, parking lots and profit, not for trains, nor for us. That is our not-so-new normal.

Still, materialists may feel safe saying that Americans (and other car lovers) are as unaware of the nature of the problem as fish are of water.

For example, the Los Angelesization of China and the world could be ending modern civilization before ending us. The best Earth science now predicts a sea-level at

least 60 feet higher by 2050. Yet, no major politicians are talking about that, nor about a realistic emergency plan.

An idealist theorist may explain our fossil-fueled mass-insanity by listing the ideological factors that cause and perpetuate it. I could refer to the commercially-sponsored propaganda and political corruption that enabled removal of most railways and trolley lines that once criss-crossed the USA and its cities. [\*Who Framed Roger Rabbit\*](#) (the film) and [\*The Real Story...\*](#) (the article) expose our cultural conspiracy against sane urban planning and mass-transit—fueled by us and our ignorant politicians and the bosses of the major oil, car and tire companies.

That enabled all subsequent urban & suburban planning for the dominance of automobiles, with fossil-fuel powered internal combustion engines. The also conspiracy spawned the world's car mania. Corporate media and constant promotion perpetuate it, for profit, regardless of ever worse consequences.

The crisis is enabled and perpetuated by the degraded metaphysics of American culture. The most delusional norms are:

- Reality is only relative, personal, socially determined
- Ethics & morals are optional or irrelevant
- Getting something for nothing is ideal
- Profit & personal gain trump bioethics & honesty
- Pandemic mass-deception for profit is OK or ideal
- Excess political corruption is OK or else incurable
- Ineffective government & misrule are normal
- The USA is the greatest nation in the world
- Our government is a democratic republic, not kleptocracy
- Complacency/apathy and inaction are OK
- Ignorant consumerism is OK and/or normal
- Cars & trucks are good or better than mass-transit
- Politicians will fix our problems
- God or science will solve our problems
- There are no better, affordable alternatives
- We cannot create change for the better before it's too late
- Personal comfort is more important than justice for all
- Current pleasure trumps quality of life for all generations

Obviously, those norms are anti-bioethical dysvalues, based on illusions, ignorance & misunderstanding, fostering and perpetuating pandemic biocidal mania. So, does all that make an idealist explanation more useful than a materialist hypothesis?

Consider the realities and implications. Our actions are prompted and directed by our 1) neurological condition, 2) attitudes, 3) intentions, 4) desires, 5) thoughts and 6) feelings. Yet, our metaphysical phenomena are strongly influenced if not caused by 'material' conditions and contributing circumstances.

So, clearly, the most realistic explanation for our mass-addiction to petrochemical mania and petro-technopoly is neither purely materialistic nor purely idealistic, but a combination of both, yet beyond both.

For example, A Buddhist "middle-way" enables realistic assessment and explanation. The nature versus nurture debate can then be seen as absurd, a socially constructed false duality. The whole of our global crisis can be seen as an example of how ignoring the whole of anything as complex as the life of an ecoregion, an organism, a person, a family, a culture, or a society is much more than a sum of its parts. Even the capability of a programmable machine transcends the limits of an accidental assemblage of its parts. For the interdependence of function, structure, form, and environment or context determine the potential of any kind of complex phenomena.

So, mental and physical phenomena are interdependent, like life's universal nondualities, its Yin+Yang. Even honest physicists admit that the whole universe is an infinite ocean of energy, most of it mysterious, beyond direct detection, unknown or unknowable. Hence, reductionists' unholistic, dualistic theorems of social 'science' are as unscientific as they are inadequate and unrealistic.

Hence, the time for realistic social sciences is now, while we still have time for research and development appropriate to the scope of our global survival crisis.

## **31 :: APPENDIX H :: Meta-political Op-Ed essays**

Note: The 3 pieces included below were inspired by the increasingly rampant corruption, political insanity, and normalized treason now being ignored in the USA by a vast majority of citizens, the DOJ, the SCOTUS, POTUS, Congress, and nearly all media networks, channels, journalists, and commentators. So, again, remember, Trump and the Trumpi cult are symptoms of our cultural illness, not the cause.

### **TRUMP et al v. USA et al**

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In my opinion, no politician can make America great again. We all need to make it greater. Holding Donald J. Trump and his accomplices responsible for insurrection, for treason, and their other crimes will help.

Yet, I agree with some of what Trump and his supporters say about corruption of government here. I go further. Like researcher teams at Princeton and Northwestern (universities),<sup>[1]</sup> I see that we no longer have a democratic republic. What we have is a plutocratic oligarchy, run by and for the super-rich, the ultra-rich, and their corporations. I think our Constitution needs updating,<sup>[2]</sup> but I can't agree that one professional fraudster (who wants to be like Putin or Xi or Kim or Hitler) can or would "fix" America.

The signers of our Declaration of Independence agree with me, that "...when a long train of abuses and usurpations..." threaten us with absolute tyranny, "...it is [our]

right...[our] duty” to end our subjection to corrupted government “...to provide new Guards for [our] future security.” Still, they knew that most of us will suffer tolerable evils, rather than relieve ourselves by radically changing our habits and lives.<sup>[3]</sup> Why? We prefer suffering a devil we know, to taking a chance on one who may be worse.

### **Insurrection or treason?**

I also agree with Winston Churchill, “democracy is the worst form of government, except for all the others.”<sup>[4]</sup>

Despite the defects—of our Constitution, governments, and devils—most of us don’t suffer enough to crave an extremely radical change of our ways or governance (etc.). We also want the rule of law to be as effective as possible. So, we should protect our constitutional rule of law. That requires holding government officials, judges, and other law officers responsible to protect it and us. They should see Trump’s War on Truth for what it is, a war against the law, our Constitution, good government, our security, peace, and liberty. That makes it a treasonous conspiracy.

We can equate the War on Truth with Putin’s global InfoWar, and psychological warfare in general. You disagree? Watch documentaries on the dictators’ playbook, and do more reading.<sup>[5]</sup> Future dictators use a game plan, starting with InfoWar. The rest of the strategy is simple, making it a useful check list.

### **The Dictators’ Playbook**

“Learning from the experience of history requires recognizing the patterns of dictatorships...” (from the Strongman’s Playbook):

- A. Extreme nationalism that calls for restoring a country’s past glory or greatness. ✓
- B. Placing blame on a single group...an ethnic or religious minority, or foreign threat. ✓
- C. Warning of an emergency, often nonexistent, or responding to severe economic distress... ✓
- D. Calls for “law and order” and eliminating corruption. ✓

“Once in a position of power, the Strongman does some or all of the following:

1. Moves to control the courts, legislature, and elections.
2. Heightens an emergency that may not exist.
3. Creates a crisis that may demand military intervention.
4. Takes control of [*and/or dominates*] the media.
5. Increases the use of propaganda [*and other psy-war ops*].
6. Jails or threatens opponents, including journalists.
7. Attacks artists, intellectuals, and other freethinkers.
8. Sets out to control [*and subvert*] the education system.
9. Attempts to create a young generation of devoted followers.
10. Doles out economic favors to supporters and allies [*and cronies*].
11. Creates a larger-than-life cult of personality.
12. Either threatens or restricts religious freedom, or bends religion to the regime’s agenda.

“Most of the leaders discussed in this history practiced and perfected all of these techniques, taking them to inhumane depths [*of atrocious monstrosity*]. But the

Strongman does not have to kill millions to accomplish his goals.” – K.C. Davis,  
from *Strongman*<sup>[6]</sup>

I added words in brackets, because modern tyrants now use InfoWar—all the tactics of psychological warfare, terrorism, and corruption—to maintain socio-political power.

Thus, like Hitler and his Nazi regime, Trump and his accomplices have used the 4 preliminaries for years. While using most of the 12 tactics from the dictators’ Playbook, they threaten to use them all. So, we should reconsider our Constitution, and other laws, that make Trump and Trumpis traitors eligible for arrest and prosecution, but not for government jobs (and elections).

The following excerpts show which of our civil rights and inherently natural rights are violated by conspirators perpetuating Trump’s InfoWar (ongoing fraud and treason), committed *under the color of law*.<sup>[7]</sup> Text shown in red refer to relevant specifics.

## The Constitution & Notes

**The Preamble:** We the People of the united States, in Order to form a more perfect **Union**, to establish **Justice**, insure domestic **Tranquility**, provide for **the common defense**, promote the **general Welfare**, and **secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity**, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the united States of America.

The Preamble states the purpose: guaranteeing the Rights and liberties announced in our Declaration of Independence. Trump and his gang say they care about that, while betraying all of it and us. Trump’s war on truth is war against the law, the USA, and its People.

**Article 1, Section 9:** Clause 8 – No Title of Nobility shall be granted by the United States: And no Person holding any Office of Profit or Trust under them, shall, without the Consent of the Congress, accept of **any present, Emolument, Office, or Title, of any kind whatever**, from any King, Prince, **or foreign State**.

Trump, like other rich major-shareholders of their own corporations, has always used the profits, assets, and PR value of his businesses to gain greater influence and power, at the least. In several court cases during his presidency, Trump got away with violating Clause 8, several times, on technicalities and questionable interpretations. Now, this is one of more than 100 crimes relating to conspiracy to become dictator of the USA.

**Article 2, Section 4:** **The President, Vice President and all civil Officers of the united States shall be removed from Office on Impeachment for...Treason, Bribery or other High Crimes and Misdemeanors.**

Trump was a government official who held the Office of the President. Trying to stay there illegally, to subvert it, misuse and abuse its power is treason. Helping our enemies is treason. The War on Truth is warfare that helps Putin, his Psy-War hackers, and all other enemies. Trump’s warfare is also an ongoing fraud—for profit and political power—making Trump and Trumpis enemies of our States, guilty of treason, conspiracy to commit insurrection, and other crimes.

**Article 3, Section 1:** The judicial Power of the united States shall be vested in one Supreme Court, and in such inferior courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish. *The Judges, of both the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behavior...*

Enabling or aiding treasonous officials, mass-corruption, fraudulent conspiracy, and psychological warfare (against us) is not good behavior. Such acts or judicial inaction are treasonous, fraud upon the Court, crimes committed *under the color of law* (fake legality). Anti-ethical judges deserve removal or arrest and prosecution.

**Article 3, Section 3, Clause 1:** Treason against the united States, shall consist only in *levying War against them, or in adhering to their Enemies, giving them Aid and Comfort*. No Person shall be convicted of Treason unless on the Testimony of two Witnesses to the same overt Act [or confession]...

Trump's InfoWar includes mass-abuse of the press (news, etc.), our systems of government, law, and justice. Anyone enabling that war adheres to and aids our enemies. Supporting mass-confusion—about truths, reality, facts, news, and other necessities of effective government (and elections)— helps our enemies. Millions of us witness that daily.

**Article Six, Clause 2:** This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be *the supreme Law of the Land; and Judges in every State shall be bound thereby, any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding*.

Legal authority is based on justice, the rule of law, for protecting our Rights to life, liberty, peaceful pursuits of happiness, and for the general welfare of our society. Parts of laws (or interpretations) contradicting just principles and purpose and our rights are illegal.

**Bill of Rights, Article 1:** Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, *or prohibiting the free exercise thereof*; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; *or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances*.

No other rights are more important. Trump and Trumpis are not peaceful, not respectful of our civil rights. They clearly want rights for themselves only. That makes them co-conspirators, accomplices to insurrection, treason, and their other crimes.

**Bill of Rights, Article 4:** *The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated; and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause*, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched and the persons or things to be seized.

Trump claims he's above the law, eligible for election. He wants to turn the Department of Justice into his neo-Gestapo (or Trumpi SS, etc.). That proves his treason and corruption. The law requires prosecution, punishment, and penalties for corrupt public officials who commit treason, high crimes, and misdemeanors against the USA.

**Bill of Rights, Article 6:** *In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have*



*been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law; and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor; and to have the assistance of Counsel for his defense.*

Trump wants it both ways, saying a President can murder anyone, without consequences. He promises his fans Russian-style trials (of his opponents). He also wants trials that let him get away with treason, war against our constitutional rule of law, ongoing fraud and conspiracy to commit insurrection (etc.).

**Bill of Rights, Article 8:** Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted.

Trump wants to end Article 8 rights of non-Trumpi citizens, and keep committing treason by violating his Oath of Office (to protect us and Constitution), etc. That would help Putin's agents, evil multinational corporations, corrupt executives & politicians, and other enemies.

**Bill of Rights, Article 9:** The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Why does hate that? Article 9 safeguards us against clever exploiters who want an American dictatorship. Trump would terminate or minimize our Constitutional rights to facts, law, justice, peace, security, freedom, harmless pursuits of happiness, and valid elections.

**Bill of Rights, Article Ten:** The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.

Article 10 guarantees our *power* to do what sustains or enhances security, life, liberty, and peaceful pursuits. Trump insists that he and his fellow traitors have the right to do whatever they want, no matter how harmful or deadly it would be (for whoever). The 2021 attack on the Capitol and Trump's increasing flood of lies, slander, and hateful propaganda prove his ongoing lust for anti-constitutional power.

**Bill of Rights, Article Fourteen, Section 3:** No person shall be a Senator or Representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice-President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, who, having previously taken an oath [of office], as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any State legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any State, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same [the US Constitution], or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may by a vote of two-thirds of each House, remove such disability.

The antique wording is difficult; the meaning is crystal clear. Trump and his promoters are engaged in InfoWar and treason against our Constitution, the law (etc.). Trump violated his oath (of office), helping our enemies (everywhere). That disqualifies him from Congressional pardon and holding any office.

The following section shows violations of US Federal law Trump and his accomplices committed (and commit).

## Deprivation of Rights

**“Summary:** Section 242 of Title 18 makes it a crime for a person acting under color of any law to willfully deprive a person of a right or privilege protected by the Constitution or laws of the United States. For the purpose of Section 242, *acts under “color of law”* include acts not only done by federal, state, or local officials within their lawful authority, but also acts done beyond the bounds of that official’s lawful authority, if the acts are done while the official is *purporting to or pretending to act in the performance of his/her official duties*. Persons acting under color of law *within the meaning of this statute include police officers, prisons guards and other law enforcement officials, as well as judges, care providers in public health facilities, and others who are acting as public officials...* The offense is punishable by...imprisonment up to a life term, or the death penalty, depending upon the circumstances of the crime, and the resulting injury, if any.”

### TITLE 18, U.S.C., SECTION 242

“Whoever, **under color of any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, or custom**, willfully subjects any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District to the **deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured or protected by the Constitution** or laws of the United States...shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year, or both; and if bodily injury results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include the use, attempted use, or threatened use of a dangerous weapon, explosives, or fire, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and if death results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include kidnapping or an attempt to kidnap, or aggravated sexual abuse, or an attempt to commit aggravated sexual abuse, or an attempt to kill, shall be fined under this title, or imprisoned for any term of years or for life, or both, or may be sentenced to death.”

Now, Section 241 (of Title 18 statutes) includes similar language, remedies, and punishments for authorities and public officials who conspire to violate the rights of citizens. Clearly, no fraudulent conspiracy could be worse than a mass-violation of our rights by officials trying to turn the USA into a modern version of Hitler’s doomed empire. Also, the ruling decisions (of the “SCOTUS”)<sup>[8]</sup> make the key issues beyond debate.

## Summary

There are no statutes of limitation protecting criminals engaged in ongoing fraud or conspiracy to commit insurrection, treason, and war against the USA. Trump and his accomplices committed fraudulent violations of key legal elements of six Articles and seven Amendments of the US Constitution, and numerous serious federal crimes against citizens, us, the People. All of that proves a pattern of treasonous conspiracy, a clear and present danger to our American way of life and our constitutional Rule of Law.

Politicians, lawyers, and all public officials should understand all the above. So, they need to do their sworn duty, to uphold our Constitution, the rule of law and justice, to protect us from the systematic fraud, crimes, and harms of Trumpism. Also, the legal *doctrine of laches*,<sup>[9]</sup> nullifies any legal right to immunity from prosecution (for Trump's crimes and for failing to do his legal duty as President). Clearly, that applies to all those who helped initiate and perpetuate Trump's war against truth, justice, law, and the USA. So, perpetrators should have speedy public trials for violating our civil rights. That would uphold and protect our Constitutional rule of law.

Now, a State official (or any judge) who allows or supports the candidacy of Donald J. Trump (and other treasonous enemies) threatens our constitutional rule of law. Legally, failing to hold traitors and insurrectionists responsible for all their crimes makes corrupted, treasonous officials (electors, AGs, et al), judges, and law officers equally guilty, for aiding an ongoing conspiracy to commit further insurrection and treason (etc.).

Even if the US Supreme Court fails to uphold the law, Trump and his Trumpi accomplices (in Congress, etc.) have no legal right to be elected to any public office. As shown in Article 3, Section 1 (of the Constitution), if Justices of the US Supreme Court fail to disqualify Trump (et al), they disqualify themselves. Aiding and abetting corruptors, domestic terrorists, and treasonous insurrection (aiding and adhering to our enemies) is treason, not good behavior.

But, if corrupted guardians of law and justice will not do their duty, to our Constitution, the only real fix is up to us. Yet, instead of violent revolution, we need to counteract InfoWar and systematic corruption. So, please, copy and Share this report on the realities, facts, and truths that can keep Trump and Trumpis off the ballots and out of office. If necessary, sue your State governments and officials, or do whatever else helps to make America greater.

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## **MAGA-SCOTUS v. the USA: Good behavior?**

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Sadly, our Rule of Law is now less corrupted than the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS). Yes, recall that, while conspiring and planning to take over the USA (sedition) by insurrection (treason), POTUS Trump repeatedly committed more than 13 serious crimes (against us and the Constitution), violations of his Oath of Office. He used fraud—against the law, the courts, and us, the People—daily, increasingly.

Trump’s rain of lies was and is a War on Truth, war against the Rule of Law, the Constitution. Yet, when he was in the White House, it was no secret that Russia and China always wage ongoing InfoWar against us. So, Trump’s InfoWar was and is helping all our enemies, regularly (ongoing treason).

Still, the SCOTUS, the DOJ, and members of Congress never called Trump’s criminal corruption of the Presidency what it is: treason. Neither FBI agents nor the Secret Service stopped Trump’s treasons. Who did anything about that? Nobody, or too few for concern.

Are we too busy? Do too many of us doubt the power of fear (of losing our votes)? Did we forget that the USA and its principles of justice (and law) are of equal value and legal status? Yes, our national reality is the principles of justice, the legal concepts, ideas, and words in our Constitution.

Here, legal authority comes from our consent to constitutional Rule of Law. We are not subject to or subjects of a ruler, a dictator, secret police, and soldiers. That is important, deserving real respect, especially from “justices” of the SCOTUS. Here’s what our Constitution says about that:

**Article 3, Section 1:** “The judicial Power of the united States shall be vested in one Supreme Court, and in such inferior courts as the Congress may from time to time ordain and establish. **The Judges, of both the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behavior...**”

So, enabling or aiding treasonous officials, mass-corruption, fraud, conspiracy, and InfoWar (on us) is not good behavior. Such acts or unethical inaction are treasonous, fraud

upon the Court, crimes committed *under the color of law* (fake legality), extremely bad behavior. Anti-ethical judges deserve removal (or arrest and prosecution) for aiding and abetting criminal fraud and treason, violating their oaths of office and our Right to vote [only] for legally eligible candidates.

Why do the SCOTUS and law enforcement agencies get away with selling out the Rule of Law? Well, let's see. The Bible says the truth can set us free. But most of us ignore unpleasant truths, like bad news about our habits, beliefs, and erroneous opinions.

Yet, do we really need a wanna-be Hitler (with nukes) dragging us down the slippery slope into neoNazi doom? Is that even possible here, now? Is our form of government as deficient as the democracy Hitler destroyed?

Luckily, no, America's pretty great now. Yes, we can make America greater (MAG), fixing what's broken, including the SCOTUS. But one person could never fix The Problem. Winston Churchill was right, democracy is the worst form of government, except for all the others. So, he would probably agree that making America greater takes all (or most) of us doing our best.

Now, the awful socioeconomic conditions and chaos exploited by Mussolini and Hitler don't exist here. Nor does our government look as bad as the English Empire that once ruled here. Still, it could get worse, fast.

If it does, would Donald the Great (pretender) or some other wanna-be dictator successfully exploit our mass-suffering and rage? Should the SCOTUS, law enforcement agencies, and Congress get away with not defending our constitutional Rule of Law? If they do, what can we expect? Will we let the USA slip into an "AI" enhanced Soft Tyranny of a bamboozled majority and more toxic consumerism? What could possibly go wrong with that?

Well, yes, everything. The best prevention is appropriate, active response by most of us, doing everything it takes for the MAG solution. If the SCOTUS fails to do its job, and Congress won't fix it, we can use the powers the Constitution recognizes—as Rights of our States and us, the People—to stop the treason. We can end MAGA lies with our MAG option.

What would it look like? First, we can swamp Congress and State officials with threats of voting them out of office and suing them (as traitors) if they fail to support immediate removal of corrupted SCOTUS Justices.

We can also support making the SCOTUS a 12-member Court. Yes, traitors will say that would lead to tie votes. The solution? Instead of a President (and his gang) picking Justices, the US Attorney General (AG), the States' Supreme Court Justices & AGs, and Congress can choose and decide who can be SCOTUS Justices. The same officials can be counted on for tie-breaker votes.

They can create a real code of ethics for the SCOTUS. Our MAG option can also end corruption by ending bogus debt-bucks, lobbying, PACs, and political insanity in general. The future is ours to choose.

## ALABAMA v. GOD et al

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Who gave any Alabamians the Right to decide when a person's life begins? Oh, right, nobody. Even if some humanoid reptilian ETs told themselves they had a Right to declare that an incomplete, potential human being is a self-determining person (with a life in the real world), that would be a fiction. Fictional "Rights" are unreal.

What does God have to do with any of this? Well, many if not all "Right" to Lifers claim to base their opinion on their religion. "Right" to Lifers claim to be Christians, but their Bible does not call incomplete or potential people living persons. As honest Rabbis, Nuns, and some Protestant Ministers admit, according to the Bible, human life began with a first breath. Hence, so do all the other ones.

Most scientists are either unable or unwilling to say that a fertilized mammalian egg or a semi-developed embryo is more than a quasi-parasitic potential animal. No real scientists say that an incomplete/potential animal is a fully finished being, like a person.

So, where did some judges (among others) get the idea that they have a Right to make a ridiculous opinion into a law? I don't know, but this is about the facts.

Sane adults should consider all the facts, contributing factors, and circumstances. First, people who claim that eggs are people are clearly confused about both the Bible and eggs. So, anti-abortionist opinions and confusions have nothing to do with science or Judeo-Christianity. Do severely confused or deluded (and ignorant) people have a spiritual or legal Right to claim that an egg or an unfinished embryo is a person? No—and even if such unrealistic people somehow get to be "Justices" or judges—they have no Right to enact or enforce laws based on nonsensical falsehoods.

BTW, that truth is embedded in our American Jurisprudence, the USA's ruling legal decisions on realities of justice and law (to prevent long-term judicial clown shows). That fact disqualifies fake "Justices" who claim authority to nullify justice and sanity.

However, to evaporate the fog of confusion and delusion, let's consider more basic realities and truths. Alabamians who think that eggs are children must think they know what a person is. Yet, they ignore the fact that, like personality, humanity is essentially a principle. Thus, they are unqualified to judge when an actual human life begins, and what eggs, animals, parasites, persons and Rights really are.

Egg Worshippers also fail to see the difference between potentials and actualities (realities). Other issues and facts should be considered equally important for clarity.

For example, an egg is either a future chicken or a future person, or whatever, not a person or chicken living here and now. So, unless you are confused about the difference between the present and the future, you can't say that an egg and a chicken are the same thing. Should anyone think that a potential chicken is an actual chicken? No, so, should anyone who says that the egg of a human animal equals a walking (or crawling), talking (or babbling) human person be allowed to judge or rule living, breathing humans?

I think not. Here in the USA, anti-realistic, ignorant people have no Right to judge and rule anybody, any woman, any religion, or a science. So, we can move on to other issues

causing such huge diversion of humane attention and energy. Consider the nature of a being, living in the world as a fully developed person.

Obviously, there are important differences between potential and actual people, and between delusions and realities, falsehoods and truths, and between absurd opinions and facts. So, we can be sure that people who want everybody to agree with the absurdity of chickens (or whatever) equaling eggs should be put in their place.

Where that is I don't know, but it is not in a Court, or in the office of the President of the USA. Yet, let's go deeper now, and not let deluded fools keep distracting us from the job of sustaining cultural sanity, good government, and functional communities. We need to tackle the fuzzy yet thorny issues of religionists versus humanity. Again, humanity is a principle, like personality. So, what or who deserves the title and status of either?

Yes, a human animal has abilities and mental capabilities that other mammals lack. But, are neurologically stunted psychopaths fully human? Should an unknowable, potentially human, future person be considered a fully human being? So far, if a person can't breathe (etc.), communicate, and be known, science says "no" to the last question. Oddly, "Right to Lifers" disagree.

Regardless, the Vedic scriptures of ancient India include 'conversations' with an incarnation of "God" (or Vishnu), named Krishna. Allegedly, he said that our greatest tragedy is unwanted children. The ancient Hawaiians would agree. They considered healthy children their greatest treasures. Yet, they saw some babies as accidents (of the Goddess and/or nature). Those were given as sacrificial gifts, offerings to Lono (sharks), God of the Ocean.

Were the Hawaiians wrong or inhumane, and Krishna was right, or what? At this late stage of global consumerism, with 8+ billion of us here, we should agree on what deserves to be considered humane or human.

Is an emotionally dead, utterly unethical serial killer or an emotionally defective, anti-ethical narcissist fully human, really? Are they unfixable broken animals, horribly harmful accidents of nature? Those are difficult questions. Yet, how hard is it to see the difference between an egg and a hen, or between a quasi-parasitic embryo and a breathing, eating, drinking, pooing, peeing, walking, talking child (or a voter)?

To me, it seems no harder than knowing the difference between an intelligent, sane, humane judge (or politician) and an immoral, anti-ethical con-artist (or tyrant).

So, I think that, if a doctor or husband wants a woman to live a healthy life without giving birth, if it will kill her—then, despite all possible moralistic issues—neither you nor I have any Right to interfere with their decision-making process. Likewise, when a woman or girl finds herself pregnant, but does not want to raise a child—for whatever reason—does anyone else have a Right to make her give birth? No, we have no Right to impose our will on her.

Nor do we have a Right to force a human female to adopt our opinions and suffer the consequences for the rest of her life. Otherwise, we should force "Right" to Lifers to pay for all the extra expenses of unwanted births for the durations of the impacted lifetimes.

We might also then force them to stop killing and eating animals and eggs. Yet, that would be as impractical as it is unconstitutionally illegal. Forcing anybody to give birth, then do a good job of supporting and training an unwanted child is unrealistic, unjust and unconstitutional, illegal.

Yet, what deserves to be called evidence of humanity? Consistent displays of humaneness, fairness, and appropriate responsiveness show an embodied expression of humane personality. So, humanity is expressed as compassionate, empathetic, bio-ethically responsible, appropriately life-enhancing conduct. But, if I'm wrong, what's the alternative?

Who knows, but do we really have time to waste on fighting over bogus problems? That causes more trouble than it could ever be worth. We have a complex mix of huge, very real problems threatening the survival of all generations of us here now. So, I sincerely hope we quit wasting our most valuable resource: opportunity.

I agree with the ancient Chinese, who knew that “not even God can help those who forfeit opportunity”. So, if you want to argue with God (or science), well — go for it.

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