

ACTION IS THE BEST PREDICTION

HOW TO RESCUE OUR FUTURE?

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HUMANITY HAS BECOME AN UN-RELIABLE COMPANION IN EVOLU-TION

Nature nurtures life, but it is not willing to sustain a species that destroys biodiversity for selfish gain and opts for self-destruction. In the democracy of life, a thousand flowers bloom in harmonized diversity, like the Amazon Rainforest. Planet Earth now urges us, in the intonation of a last call, to break the cosmic solitude of a self-proclaimed king of the universe and to reconnect with the symphony of life in evolution. Can you hear the first notes of the ballad of harmony timidly vibrating in the calm evening air, which will become the breeze that gives all of us our rightful place? Isn't that what peace is all about?

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GROWTH STOPS AT MATURITY

To grow and grow and keep growing without ever being able to sit back and enjoy the fruits of growth defies the purpose of evolution, the beauty of life and peace of mind. In nature and in life, you grow to celebrate maturity and stop growing. Not so with the market economy, obsessed with processing the environment into bank accounts because the only beauty of nature is its monetary value. Harmony, with Planet Earth, with other cultures, with other belief systems, is the secret to rescue our future.

HUMANITY IS A GENIE IN A PAN-DORA'S BOX WITH THE KEY IN-SIDE

Fourfold domination, driven by power, greed and fame for the glory of a select few, has brought humanity to a precarious state. Domination of nature threatens our stay on Earth. Domination of fellow humans has globalized injustice. Domination of the mind has brought mental slavery. Domination of culture has led to fundamentalism that begs God to kill the God of the other. If all alternatives to global harmony look bleak, then global harmony is the solution. Isn't that the essence of peace? Let's put it to a vote among our children and do as they command. They are waiting for the beauty of life lived in PEACE.

EVOLUTION DEMANDS A NEW VERSION OF HUMANITY

1. A species that makes nature its enemy is homeless.

2. A species that becomes a predator of nature is a parasite that kills its host.

3. A species that cannot feed its members has no right to exist in the universe.

4. A species that pursues cancerous growth will die of cancer.

5. A species that celebrates selfishness as the ultimate virtue disqualifies itself in natural selection, which favors cooperation.

6. A species that takes war as the supreme arbiter is headed for self-destruction.

7. We need a new version of humanity that reconnects with the engine of evolution, which is "life seeking more life". No sacrifice to avoid extinction is too big. Better a Stone Age than no age!

EVOLUTION KNOWS NO WASTE, EVEN DEATH IS RAW MATERIAL FOR LIFE

Waste is the main product of humanity. The more 'civilized' we have become, the more we have assaulted nature, overburdened our environment, and reduced our chances of survival. Profit for the sake of greed has led to the misfortune of a species waiting for the first trillionaire to lecture us that misery and hunger are the price of development.

We are stepping in our previous footprints before nature has had time to erase them. Cosmetic embellishments, like clean energy for a dirty system, will not make us a reliable partner in evolution. No circular economy can stop the wasteful spiral of the growing mass of short-lived products and disposable goods, so different from grandpa's car that ran for thirty years on poor technology. If we do not hurry to reconnect with the lifegiving force of evolution, we will become part of our own waste in the dustbin of history. No animal will mourn the demise of the most harmful species ever to walk the Earth. What are we waiting for, if not to stand up, join hands as a powerful 'we' and take the reins of a joyous journey through the beauty of the lands to the different destiny that matters so much to our offspring?

FREE WILL CAN END FREE WILL

No universal law guarantees the survival of humanity. The arrogant abandonment of an interconnected organic universe, confronting nature like an emperor and destroying the environment out of greed, has led to a cosmic solitude that has a dire price in evolution.

Nature is accustomed to catering to survival, but evolution is not equipped to care for a species that tampers with the exceptional conditions that made life on Earth possible. We can choose between a better world and a world without humans. It is the choice between survival and extinction. Evolution can handle both; humanity can only live with one.

Powerful political tyrants, billionaires and military forces saturate the air as ideologues of death, but they have no moral authority to speak, because they are responsible for our existential crisis. Stop listening to those who destroy our species with impunity. No other force can rescue our future than We, the 95%, the moral reserves of humanity. Every new sun invites a new life. Let us rise in freedom tomorrow to reconnect to the life-giving force of evolution and take command or our destiny. *Free will can rescue free will!*

IF WE DO NOT LEARN TO LIVE TO-GETHER, WE WILL DIE TOGETHER

Power, greed and glory have targeted nature, biodiversity and peace with an appalling level of brutality that has made humanity a liability to evolution.

A species that disrupts the evolutionary engine of 'life seeking more life' and can no longer be restrained will activate evolution's immune system to eliminate the anomaly and restore internal balance. Fossil fuels can fossilize us all, while war, the ultimate arbiter of discord, can bring lasting peace in a long cold night of nuclear hibernation.

Humanity has gone astray on a planet that a boundless universe has privileged for the chemistry of life. The earth was given to us "to till it and keep it" (Genesis 2:15), but "corruption has appeared in the land and in the sea on account of what men have wrought" (Qur'an, Surah 30.4). Before our eyes, anthropocentrism has been translated into hegemony by two failed ideological systems and their intermediaries, which have colonized the entire planet and dehumanized our species. Communism, ignoring the justice that comes from freedom, is in the graveyard. Capitalism, ignoring the justice that comes from equality, is on its way to the morgue. That is why humanity needs an urgent overhaul. Modern civilization has failed as a project of humanity and can offer no survival option.

The invasion of nature, of human life and of other communities in a neurotic drive for domination has led to eco-cataclysm and the war of extinction. The transformative force that can still overcome futile polarization and reconnect us to the life-giving force of evolution is the global sisterhood of the moral reserves of humanity, above all divisions, to prevent the fatal step into the abyss, which will horrify the animals: "Has humanity lost its mind and instinct? Is it suicide, or is it euthanasia?" If all alternatives to global harmony look bleak, then global harmony is the answer. Once we have silenced this round of gunfire, let's enact a new rule for the human family that decrees that, from now on, first contact is a smile.

NEVER TRUST SUPERPOWERS: WHETHER ELEPHANTS MAKE WAR OR LOVE, IT IS ALWAYS THE GRASS THAT SUFFERS

All wars are fought for peace. The staccato of gunfire is the guardian angel of peace. Killing or dying for the tribe, sect, nation or homeland is heroism. But most of those who die have no armored car and are not remembered. Today, the drums of war beat with atomic resonance, and once again military prowess is the strategic trump card of diplomacy.

War is the supreme arbiter of conflict resolution in the service of power and domination. Throughout history, war has been the main tool of the superpowers of the day to pacify peaceful peoples. Since the purpose of war is peace, on both sides of the divide, the best definition of war is the struggle between peace and peace. How can we put an end to this unique madness in the universe?

Has anyone an idea how to bring humanity back to the common sense of the animal world. War is our nightmare, harmony our dream. We have work to do. Let's share our thoughts.

HISTORY TRAVELS FROM THE PAST TO THE FUTURE AND WE ARE ITS FOOTSTEPS

Prophets foresee the future. Scientists predict the future. Pessimists erase the future. Optimists invent the future. Realists try to rescue our future.

The fatalism of the pessimist is pointless, yet the worst remedy for impending disaster is the anesthesia of optimism. Pessimism and optimism are the staring twins of nightmare and dream that invite us to inactivity either by apathetically waiting for disaster or by passively longing for the magic wand. To focus on creative action to remedy what has gone terribly wrong, maybe it is best to follow the thoughtful advice: "let us leave pessimism for better days."

Yes, there has been alienation, violence, repression, slavery and colonialism. Critical poverty, exploitation, structural injustice and existential threats continue to plague us today. But can we blame the horrors of the past and the misfortunes of today for the future we refuse to make? We cannot redeem our past, but we can rescue our future. Evolution gives us the good news that, in the face of death or extinction, all organisms and species become creative to find options for survival. It is one thing to sit back and wait to be part of the epilogue of a failed humanity, but what about getting up to write the preface to a better version of humanity? Evolution is hiring new architects of the future! We have nothing to lose and a life to gain, so see you at the next bus stop.

DO WE HAVE TO SLEEPWALK-INTO THE ABYSS OF OBLIVION?

Everyone agrees that awareness is the key, the secret and the beginning of the solution to our existential problems, but no one explains what 'lack of awareness' really means? As a young student in Europe, coming from a colony where poverty was part of the landscape at birth, I wondered why friends who needed an appetizer before dinner wanted to travel to the third world to make the poor aware of their hunger, if biology was already taking care of it? What additional awareness does a mother who can't sleep at night because she has nothing to cook in the morning need? There is a second consensus that awareness takes time, requiring patient education over years, even generations. This is true, but few people know that the good news is that at any moment the 'wait a

minute' trigger of awareness can occur. Here is amazing historical evidence that awareness can happen in the blink of an eye.

Inspired by the Last Supper, the devout owner of an 18th-century sugar plantation in colonial Cuba lined up twelve slaves and washed their feet during Easter, offering them a banquet at the end. Within a week, a slave revolt on the plantation, which had never experienced a rebellion before, wreaked havoc on his property. Official historiography has described this violent incident as the apex of ingratitude, completely misreading this salient example of the potential of awareness. The plantation owner had made the terrible mistake of destroying the justificatory discourse of white supremacy among perplexed slaves. The master accomplished in minutes what centuries of hereditary slavery had failed to do and perhaps another century might not achieve. In the fear of his own God, he had admitted to the enslaved with sacramental humility that they were his equals, which instantly freed them from mental slavery. They now knew that the

slave owner was not a superior, civilized being, but a shameless tyrant, who knowingly abused them to shackle their freedom and steal their labor. The slave 'mentality' – whatever that means – evaporated on the spot, giving way to awareness. This brings us to a simple working definition of awareness for transformative action. Awareness is seeing an escape route from a dire situation.

The current dominant system is not washing our feet but brainwashing us to let us celebrate the arrival of the first trillionaire in the midst of widespread poverty, despair and suffering as the jewel of civilization. It's time to wake up before the window of opportunity closes, turn on the lights, take off the blindfold and see the beautiful path to our destiny on a planet free of global warming, free of terrible injustice, free of the endless threat of useless war, and blessed with love and a dose of happiness. Why not imagine all the people living life in peace?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ykgk ThdzX-8

HALF OF HUMANITY IS UN-HEALTHY BECAUSE THEY DON'T EAT ENOUGH AND THE OTHER HALF IS UNHEALTHY BECAUSE THEY EAT TOO MUCH

There is no compelling reason why obesity should go hand in hand with starvation. Happiness is possible without misery for all. The poor do not sleep because they are hungry and the rich do not sleep because they fear the hungry poor. One would think that 75 years after Josué de Castro wrote this in Geography of Hunger (1946), humankind would have invented a more pleasant reason to stay awake.

In nature, the first act of survival is food sovereignty, the ability to feed oneself, rather than mortgaging one's life chances to the mega-corporations that monopolize the food chain. A species that cannot feed its members has no right to exist in the universe. When food and medicine become commodities, hunger and life become commodities. This explains why the misfortune of billions of people goes hand in hand with the trillions of profits made by the food and medicine industries. While local food is the norm in evolution, the 15 largest fast-food chains, all based in the United States, have more than 250,000 locations worldwide.

How outrageous can this get? In countries in the Amazon rainforest, you can buy imported bottled water, while the Amazon River pours 209,000 cubic meters (55 million gallons) of fresh water, produced by tropical rains, into the Atlantic Ocean every second. Meanwhile, the streams and rivers of the Guianas, which means Land of Water in the indigenous language, deliver huge quantities of discarded plastic water containers to the sea.

Food dependency has turned self-sufficient communities into a zoo, fed from the outside by those who dominate the food chain, targeting everything from local organic crops to traditional eating habits to breastfeeding. Refusing to play by the rules of the game or be held hostage to the international free food market comes at a price. Today, opting for autonomy and survival in a self-driven development strategy that mobilizes one's own food potential is grounds for international boycott. But a single hungry person in the world begging for food makes every billionaire guilty. Animals teach us every day to share food for the group to survive. Can we not learn from their instinct? When will humanity start eating together? The day when food once again arrives in baskets and not in container ships that pollute our oceans. But that may require another version of humanity that is no longer the most harmful species on Earth.

THE FIRST COMMANDMENT OF EVOLUTION: START GROWING, DEVELOP TO MATURITY, AND THEN STOP GROWING TO ENJOY THE FRUITS OF GROWTH

The beauty of growth, which is at the heart of self-realization, development and evolution, can be seen in every corner of nature and history, in the first smile of a baby and in the purple blossom of the jacaranda tree. But growth without development, which has become the norm, is predatory, and when pushed beyond its ultimate goal of maturity, it metastasizes, as evidenced by the unbridled actions of the current economic system that endangers our stay on Earth. One wonders what the point is of endless growth without development, never reaching a moment of rest to enjoy the fruits of growth.

The ecological dangers created by humans are today's grim price of unrestrained growth in an unquenchable lust for power, greed and glory that violates the sacred principles of evolution and marginalizes the majority. Globalization of misery, melting permafrost, rising sea levels, global warming, climate disruption, deforestation, plastic pollution, war, and loss of biodiversity, forcing deadly viruses to seek other hosts, are but a short list of human-caused disasters. We must re-humanize a dehumanized humanity that has become a fraud on nature, an unreliable partner in evolution, a tyrant to its own species and a threat to life.

Fortunately, after a long hibernation, the urgency of our precarious state has awakened humanity in every corner of the planet. Nature's unequivocal warnings override the ability of the dominant system to stifle our natural impulse to survive and thrive. Nature has undermined the authority of a sophisticated set of system maintenance tools to persuade and blackmail us into conformity, using capital, technology, the legal system, war machines, bureaucracy, mass surveillance, system-integrated media, ideology, fundamentalism, and outright repression.

The inability to stop the super-rich from getting richer while those on the brink of survival get poorer seems like paradise lost. But the past that brought us here is dead, and only by overcoming the current structures of domination that hold us captive can we pave the way to rescue our future. But where is the social force that can bring about a transformation on such cosmic scale?

Realizing that disobedience to the commandments of evolution can be fatal, the moral reserves of humanity, fortunately still in the majority, have risen to join forces to grow in harmony with nature, with other humans, with other cultures, and with other belief systems. As one human race, descended from the same ancient ancestors, we can grow to maturity and enjoy the fruits of growth. The moral reserves of humanity are the only power left to create a great harmonious human family, capable of extending the first innocent smile of the baby to grandma's memories in the rocking chair.

OUR SONG OF JOY WILL SPARE US THE REQUIEM

Listen to the rhythm of the song to survive and thrive, in youthful voices and ancient thoughts. It is the refrain of the great conspiracy of the Cosmos of "life seeks more life". Listen to it as it blows in the wind over the ancient citadel of Tiahuanaco, over the snow-capped Alps, over the crests of Kilimanjaro and over the eternal slopes of the Himalayas. It is the same old melody of life that will endure beyond the dark horizons of today, if only we add our voices.

RESET

Humanity has become so addicted to a mindless civilization headed for extinction that many have become mental slaves who have lost the ability to imagine a sustainable way of living together in order to survive and thrive. It's time for a reset!

GREEN AND BLUE MERGE AS FOR-EST TRANSFORMS INTO OCEAN THROUGH MANGROVES AND WETLANDS

As in an Escher painting, there is no boundary between the forest and the ocean as green transforms into blue through the mangroves and wetlands. It is the old story of evolution of life always seeking more life. The Amazon rainforest feeds the Atlantic Ocean with 209,000 cubic meters of water per second, which the ocean returns clean and distilled like tears of joy with the downpours in May. In return, the Amazon River feeds ocean life with 1 billion tons of sediment each year.

Coming from the most forested country in the world, aware that 50% of a tree is water, which means 50% of the forest is water, it was heartening to see the tireless efforts of many experts to save our oceans, which are in big trouble. It is the same story of land and sea because desertification of the Amazon rainforest will kill the ocean and every centimeter of sea level rise brings us one step closer to the abyss of oblivion. Yes, magnetism can save humanity, as good attracts good to form a critical mass of humanity's moral reserves that can rescue our future. What are we waiting for if the "time that will tell" has already told?

IS THERE HOPE FOR HUMANITY AMONG SO MANY ODDS? YES!

Humanity is awakening from a long hibernation in a paralyzing anesthesia imposed by selfish and reckless elites whose three deadly sins, power, greed and fame, have led humanity astray. Disconnecting from the harmony of nature and the life-giving force of evolution, they are destroying our planet, destroying us and destroying the future of our children. They lack the moral authority to speak or be heard. Billionaires who give back because they have taken too much should be told that the best philanthropy is equality. The moral reserves of humanity, the vast majority, will now raise their unwavering voice without fear to take command of humanity's destiny, without negotiating with those who threaten our continued existence on Earth. The wish list is simple: a just and livable future with a quiet life in peace in an enjoyable

world surrounded by a healthy and safe environment, without need to tell children to stop playing because they have no future. Fortunately, evolution is always on our side with its beautiful principle that in the face of death or extinction all organisms and species become creative to find options for survival. The moral reserves of humanity have awakened. Are you already on board or can we meet you at the next bus station?

IF THE MADNESS OF CLIMATE DIS-RUPTION IS NOT STOPPED, YOU WILL NOT BE AN ANCESTOR

Should we continue to wait for permission to act from those who destroy our planet while profiting from our misfortunes? Neither power, nor money, nor weapons can stop 95% of humanity from striving to live in peace, harmony, joy and happiness on a habitable planet. We have a mandate, and we do not need any permission from those who are turning humanity into the only parasite that kills its host. Humanity's moral reserves have awakened from a long hibernation with the mandate given by the unborn to reconnect with the life-giving force of evolution and take command of our destiny. Humanity is not running out of options but out of time and needs to act. It is now or never, hence now! The moral reserves of humanity have drawn a line in the sand. Only those

committed to rescuing our future, with their wealth of ideas and strategies, will have the right to speak up and be heard. Are you with both feet on the right side of the line? Survival knows no negotiation, bargaining or compromise! Are you already on the side of evolution with its driving force of 'life always seeking more life', which turns hope into action?

ARE HUMAN DEMONS TURNING THE EARTH INTO HELL BY SEND-ING THE TROPICS NORTH?

Do you need help understanding the current global fever on your own terms? Here's my quick conversion for you. Fahrenheit to Celsius: halve the number, subtract 16, add a ninth. Celsius to Fahrenheit: double the number, subtract 10%, add 32. If you don't think you can live with the result, do something about it. Our planet is degenerating into a filthy, warmongering, immoral, evil, inhospitable, inhuman spaceship. When the little devils make a mess of the place, the Great Devil angrily shout at them: "Please don't turn Hell into Earth!" Yes, it's time to rehumanize a dehumanized humanity. The only force capable of accomplishing the cosmic task of rescuing our future is the moral reserves of humanity. Are you ready for an extra-systemic overhaul?

CIRCULAR ECONOMY FOR THE SPIRALING WASTE: CAN A CIRCLE CONTAIN A SPIRAL?

The main product of humanity remains waste to feed the totem of profit in the service of the predatory economic system of perennial economic growth. Can the circular economy narrative be our salvation? Can a two-dimensional circle contain a three-dimensional spiral? Will the circular economy condemn the bravest forces of change to spend the rest of their lives in the landfill sorting waste? The main strategy of system maintenance is to hijack the narrative by adulterating the most beautiful concepts for its purpose. We have seen it with the civilizing mission, which was the cloning of the West in the rest, with 'developmentalism' where development was 'envelopment', with decades of the pleonasm of sustainable development, a masterpiece of redundancy since development is sustainable by definition. Clean energy for a dirty system is not the solution. We need to change SDGs to SHGs: Sustainable Development Goals to Sustainable Humanity Goals

(https://www.crscenter.com/sustain.pdf). How long will they divert us from the search for an extra-systemic solution with their ever-changing attractive hoaxes capable of mesmerizing large crowds? How green was the Evergreen blocking the Suez Canal with containers full of potential waste? It is time for humanity's moral reserves to decide the narrative, for history travels from the past to the future, and we are its footsteps. We owe a great debt to the new generations, to the countless victims of today, to our own life possibilities, to planet Earth, to life itself, and to the beauty of nature. Do you hear the rain ticking on the green leaves of the waking forest? It whispers to you.
SUICIDE OR EUTHANASIA? THE FAILURE OF MODERN CIVILI-ZATION

"Our historical, contemporary and futureoriented inventory, diagnosis and analysis leads to a shocking conclusion regarding the civilizational model that dominates today's world. Modern civilization has failed as a project and can offer no survival option to humanity in today's species-threatening times." This is the tip of the four-pronged iceberg (domination of nature, of fellow human beings, of culture and of the mind) elaborated in detail in the Quest, whose main conclusion is that the only way forward is an extrasystemic overhaul for the rehumanization of a dehumanized humanity, in order to reconnect with evolution to find a solution to our existential problems.

Certainly, there is no solution if your universe is the confines of the dominant economic and political system. Stop looking for a needle in the wrong haystack, naively believing that the economic growth system that feeds on our misfortunes will reform from within. Anthropocentrism has no technological solution. The time has come for a reset, abandoning false narratives such as clean energy for a dirty system and recycling ever-increasing waste. Are you ready for a tectonic shift? Better a stone age than no age!

Let's cool down to cool the planet. Enough of begging the culprits to correct their mischief but let humanity's moral reserves now take command of our destiny. Action is the best prediction! Mind you, it will be a joyous and rewarding journey to see smiles return on our children's faces.

NATURE WARNS US WITH THE IN-TONATION OF A LAST CALL

In a world where the only free press is graffiti, the most reliable source of information on climate disruption is the voice of nature, which speaks so loud and clear that those who close their ears get the message through their skin.

S.O.S. OF MOTHER EARTH "PREPARE THE REQUIEM OR INITI-ATE THE EXTRASYSTEMIC RESET"

Humanity has been losing the ecological battle for the last fifty years, ever since the Club of Rome (1972) warned us of the limits to growth. Now we are frighteningly close to the tipping point at which extinction becomes a real option. The current downward trend is causing increasing confusion, disbelief, sadness and despair among the growing number of activists, young people and scientists for liberation, even among seasoned environmental activists.

Naïve faith in the self-correction of a predatory system that feeds on our misfortunes was our main mistake. It opened the door for the perpetual growth model to monopolize the narrative, winning us to false discourses that distorted the best ecological values such as development, sustainability, green economy and circular economy into system maintenance tools.

An emblematic case is 'sustainable development', which was neither sustainable nor development, but a masterpiece of redundancy, since development is sustainable by definition (https://www.crscenter.com/sustain.pdf). The purpose of launching 'sustainable development' as a panacea in the Brundtland Report was not to green the planet, but to green greed, because the goose that lays the golden eggs was in trouble, as ecological harm could backfire on profits. The term was taken without proper reference from the 1980 UN Report "World Conservation Strategy: Living Resources for Sustainable Development" while stripping it of the conservation ethic, "to come to terms with the reality of resource limitation and the carrying capacity of ecosystems."

What we need is not 'clean energy for a dirty system' or painting our cabin in pretty colors, while the ship sinks, but a sustainable humanity in harmony with nature. Our greatest sin has been "anthropocentrism," which means that man is at the center of the universe, because we like to imagine that man is nature's goal. It has gotten us into deep trouble, because there is no technological solution to anthropocentrism!

To avoid an impending endgame, the global environmental movement needs an urgent reset after a long hibernation to restore harmony with the driving force of evolution, which is "life always seeks more life". Are you ready to join the young people who are unwilling to negotiate the future they will have, whatever it takes? Have you heard Mother Nature's warning that modern civilization has failed as a project for humanity? Are you ready to choose between requiem and extrasystemic reset?" If you hold your breath, you can already see the smile forcing itself in the mirror.

THE CRIME OF USING DISPOSABLE PLASTIC

How can this outrageous plastic torture of all species on planet Earth continue with impunity? In the Amazon rainforest countries, you can buy imported bottled water, while the Amazon River sends 209,000 cubic meters (55 million gallons) of fresh water into the Atlantic Ocean every second, accompanied by millions of floating discarded plastic containers. The Guianas, in the heart of the Amazon and home to the world's most forested country, which means Land of Water to the indigenous people, pour every drop of water into the Atlantic Ocean, which returns it clean and distilled like tears of joy with the May downpours. The law of nature forbids the use of disposable plastic on this planet. It is a felony, a crime, a disgrace, a shame. There is no room for negotiation here, not even a need for dialogue, but we have to stop

this madness of using harmful disposable plastic immediately with a worldwide ban. Countries that fail to do so should be rated negatively.

Replacing plastic with paper from the trees of the Amazon rainforest - the beautiful greenhouse where I was born - is not a solution. A polemic about the "best" waste, as long as waste remains the main product of humanity, is useless! We are stepping on our previous footprints before nature has had time to erase them! We need to reset an economic system focused on profit maximization, incompatible with the satisfaction of needs, which always culminates in a saturation point. In nature, one grows to maturity and then stops growing to enjoy the fruits of growth. Transforming nature into bank accounts and overproducing for eternal growth by artificially reducing the lifespan of products is a recipe for collapse. An environmentally friendly version of grandpa's car that served him for 30 years, and so on, reduces current production volume, energy abuse and waste by 75%. Scientific claims are not

always our best advisors. Modern economics, based on the axiom of perpetual growth, is not a scientific discipline, but the doctrine of a market economy and an ideological instrument for the maintenance of the system. Let us be modest, listen to each other and respectfully unite our talents to rescue our future.

WE HAVE BECOME A LIABILITY TO LIFE AND MUST REHUMANIZE A DEHUMANIZED HUMANITY BE-FORE EVOLUTION ENDS OUR COS-MIC SOLITUDE

The claim that humanity is the purpose of the universe and the rightful ruler of nature is now at a dramatic endgame. The domination of nature, fellow humans, culture and mind has broken with cooperation, compassion and harmony, the survival imperatives of evolution. We have gone astray but persist in our cosmic solitude that blames the planet for being too small for perpetual growth and forces nature to adjust beyond its carrying capacity. Mother Earth is warning us that modern civilization has failed and that humanity needs an urgent reset to be a reliable companion of life.

The global environmental movement has been losing the ecological struggle for 50

years and needs an extrasystemic break with the frustrating system-maintenance narratives to green greed, chasing the 'greenest' waste, the cleanest energy for a dirty system and the fable of perpetual growth without climate disruption.

Fossil fuels will fossilize us all, but we cannot recklessly return to the nuclear power plant with our dose of disasters or to new gambles like geoengineering that dims the sun without asking the sunflowers for their take. We overheat the planet, but we keep looking for new sources to deal with an artificial 'energy shortage'. Our real problem is the overuse, waste and systemic abuse of energy caused by overproduction to maximize billionaires' profits with artificial wants and shortening the life of products. Production to meet needs, rather than profits, will reduce current energy use to 25% or so. Modern technology can restore the 30-year lifespan of grandpa's car using clean energy. Food, the elixir of life, should come to local markets in baskets, whenever possible, not in

container ships polluting the oceans for profit.

The choice between a better world and a world without humans is ours, because evolution is not equipped for taking care of a species that opts for self-destruction. To break out of its current impasse, the Global Environmental Movement needs an extrasystemic reset, because the main challenge on a sinking ship is not to beautify our cabin, but to prevent the ship from sinking. The overhaul of the current predatory system towards a healthy, livable and peaceful planet requires the transformation of the global environmental movement into a Rescue Our Future Movement in the hands of the moral reserves of humanity.

We have no choice but to take back the narrative with a radical shift from mindless system maintenance to transformative strategies for a new version of humanity. Let us all pause and reflect on how we can leave behind pointless debates on the shores of frustration and despair by reconnecting with the driving force of evolution, which is 'life

always seeks more life'. Are you ready for the reset to rescue our future?

THE TRANSITION FROM THE SCI-ENTIFIC AGE TO THE ETHICAL AGE IS A PREREQUISITE FOR SURVIVAL OF HUMANITY

Science and ethics diverge in their responses to reality. When at odds with reality, science changes theory, while ethics changes reality. Science is concerned with how reality is; ethics is concerned with how reality should be. The current disconnection of humanity from life-giving evolution is a recipe for extinction that requires a transition from the scientific age to the ethical age.

This is the fifth transition in the search for the source of truth and knowledge in human evolution, which has evolved from the naturalistic age (instinct and superstition) to the mythological age (natural forces and ancestral spirits) to the theological age (divine Creator and revelations) to the scientific age (reason is the new God). The false presumption of science to strive for truth and knowledge has done immense damage to the social evolution of humanity. How can science be 'scientific' if its core is refutability, which means that scientific certainty is unscientific? Science is the relentless pursuit of perishable truths. Its goal is not to discover truth or knowledge, but to reduce the degree of speculation to obtain the best available guess to respond to challenges. Mainstream science has been an instrument for system maintenance, for capital accumulation, for warmongering, for marginalization of the majority and for planetary destruction in the service of elites dominating and manipulating nature. Science's neurotic focus on empirical 'facts' rather than the underlying 'factors' that produce them has abolished ethics, the core of religion. Science must cede the driver's seat to the ethical narrative and support transformative action from a modest back seat, for there is no technological solution to anthropocentrism.

Hans Jonas suggested this as early as 1979: "Only with the superiority of mind and the inordinate powers of technical civilization eventually engendered by it, has one form of life, man, lately acquired the ability to endanger all others (and therewith himself too). Nature could not have incurred a greater hazard than to produce man."

"In a time where humans desperately need to engage as architects of the future rather than observe as bystanders, the choice for the ethical realm imposes itself at a global scale as an imperative for survival." (Quest p.369)

Current politics, growth-based market economy, mainstream science, religious fundamentalism, system-partnering NGOs and information tycoons have created or tolerated our existential problems. Only an extrasystemic transition under the command of moral reserves can bring about the metamorphosis to rehumanize a dehumanized humanity. Nature warns us that modern civilization has reached the limit of its anthropocentric project to dominate and manipulate nature at will. What is your take on the reset?

A CENTURY OF BENEFIT OF DOUBT HAS LEFT NO DOUBT ABOUT THE LACK OF BENEFIT. HU-MANITY NEEDS A RESET.

With the misty depths of the abyss of oblivion already in sight, placing our ultimate trust in reforming the predatory system from within, while it continues to thrive on our misfortunes, will kill us all with mathematical precision. Should we not rather heed nature's warnings that modern civilization, driven by an insatiable desire for power, greed and fame, has become disconnected from the harmony of evolution through a reckless domination of nature, fellow humans, culture and mind? The time has come for a reset that must incorporate the many who refuse to imagine, much less accept, that the window of opportunity for an extrasystemic overhaul is closing by the day.

Some advise us to be pragmatic and join the system of billionaires and soon-to-be-trillionaires that is too powerful to be fought. Pragmatism is the crown jewel of domination and system maintenance because a pragmatic slave is an eternal slave. Joining the system that is driving us to extinction makes us part of the problem and complicit in our own demise.

Some firmly believe in the potential of technology to help us, fighting heat waves with air conditioners that consume more and more energy. Others are betting on responding to rising sea levels with watertight dikes around human habitats, which will surely protect ocean life from toxic human waste and pollution but cannot protect us against the ever-rising waters pushed by melting permafrost and glaciers. Modern economics is trapped in economic growth. Far from being a scientific discipline, it has degenerated into the profit maximizing doctrine of the market economy, trapped in a schizophrenic contradiction of our unsustainable system. The absence of growth leads to depression and

crisis, while continued growth leads to collapse and extinction.

Humanity's moral reserves are the only force capable of taking the reins of our future from irresponsible hands. This will require the critical stance of accepting the outcome of reasoning and analysis in an unadulterated form, regardless of whether it conflicts with established wisdom, one's own interests or even the familiar world in which we have been raised.

Fortunately, our beautiful rescue ship is getting crowded. Nature is on board with its indisputable scientific diagnosis in her warnings. Evolution is on board with its beautiful law that in the face of extinction all species become creative. Youth is on board because it has decided to secure its future at all costs. The elderly are on board because they refuse to pass on such a mutilated version of humanity to their offspring. Little by little, the many 'I's' are merging into the 'We' that will make the difference. Are you already part of the 'We' and part of the difference we have been waiting for so long?

TO THE REST OF THE ANIMAL WORLD, HUMANS ARE EXTRA-TERRESTRIALS

Crisis is everywhere, outer crisis, inner crisis, climate disruption, moral quagmire, war is the guardian angel of peace, decadence and decomposition are the norm, we are heading into the abyss of oblivion. Humanity has gone astray by making selfishness the ultimate virtue, competition (instead of cooperation) the engine of progress, and eternal cancerous growth the custodian of stability. Humanity is in existential trouble. To the rest of the animal world, humans are aliens. The best antidepressant is a radical overhaul of a failed species. Why don't we look in the mirror, bravely add up all our misfortunes and draw the obvious conclusion that modern civilization has failed as a project of humanity? Do you think it is a bridge too far? It is the only bridge that can still rescue our

future. Moral reserves of humanity, this is your cosmic moment!

THIS POT HOLDS THE KEY TO OUR FUTURE



I just used this half century old pot to boil milk for my wife's cup of tea. It has been used twice a day, since I met her in 1969, and see how even old-fashioned technology can serve our needs. Today, humanity's main product is waste. But if we produced primarily to meet needs instead of maximizing profits, less than a quarter of today's energy would suffice, and we could live in balance with nature and ensure a bright future for our children. We do not have an energy problem, we have a problem of abuse, destruction and waste of energy for the benefit of a few. The plan to green this predatory system will lead us into a green coffin. Modern civilization has failed dramatically as a project. Instead of greening greed for system maintenance, we need an urgent reset to rehumanize a dehumanized humanity. This is what the Chairman and CEO of The Metals Company recently said in his global statement on the energy transition. "To build a green future, our generation will need to mine more metal than we have mined in our entire history. This will lead to more emissions, more social displacement, more habitat destruction and more biodiversity loss." Do we really need such a catastrophic energy transition? The pot has the answer!

LIFE IS IN MORTAL DANGER

It's time for a tectonic shift to take back our story

We have been losing the battle for the environment for half a century. The horrors of World War II have not prevented the threat of nuclear war that grows by the hour, to spread evil or to fight the evil of one's own making. Equality is the best philanthropy, but the system dictates that endless growth, whose main feat is the enrichment of the rich, is the only option for development. Millionaires have become billionaires and are on the verge of becoming trillionaires, while the surviving poor are getting poorer. Having appropriated the main channels of information, the system has transformed them into media of mass excommunication to silence our voices and block our message of harmony, peace, hope and action. This explains how our story is made invisible by powerful system maintenance tools, such as mass

surveillance and information obesity, the overload of peer reviewed fake news. They flood our voices and recruit us for their project of greening greed with clean energy for a dirty system and recycling the growing waste that remains humanity's main product. The system pushes our brightest minds to find non-existent technological solutions to anthropocentrism.

The same system that colonized others in the past is now colonizing our minds to stop our transformative action and prevent even our simple message of survival from reaching those who can bring about change.

In this illogical moment of humanity, contrary to the driving force of evolution, which is 'life always seeks more life', we must take a deep breath, wake up and refuse to continue listening to the fables of those who lack the moral authority to speak. We must take back our narrative or our wonderful efforts and sacrifices will continue to end in frustration, disbelief and sadness. This is precisely the objective of 'Restoring Innate Storytelling. Interactive Workshop to Solve the Writing Problem and Engage the Audience', which has been in the works for some time and will soon bring critical minds together for the great overhaul to reclaim our authentic stories. The journey will be a long one. The beginning can't wait.

LET'S LEAVE PESSIMISM FOR BETTER DAYS. ACTION IS THE BEST PRE-DICTION

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Both optimism and pessimism are types of superstition because the fatalism of pessimists is pointless, but the worst remedy for impending disaster is the anesthesia of optimism. Waiting apathetically for catastrophe in hopeless despair or passively waving a magic wand in desperate hope opens no way out. Let us follow the wise advice to leave pessimism for better days (Eduardo Galeano). Life is in mortal danger and the first action is to take back our story. Join other critical minds in the first step of an extrasystemic reset in the interactive Restoring Innate Storytelling workshop, part of a quest where no one knows the truth, but everyone has faith in our power to rescue our future. Evolution stands with us with its beautiful law that all species, in the face of extinction, become creative to find a survival option by merging many "I's" into an invincible "We". Get the details at our website or drop a note to <u>rescue@crscenter.com</u>. If we don't control the story, we can't control the outcome. There is no safe sidewalk. Action is the best prediction.

THERE IS NO CIRCULAR SOLUTION TO A WASTE SPIRAL

The main product of humanity is still waste needed for constant economic growth in order to achieve ever higher profits. Since a two-dimensional circle cannot contain a three-dimensional spiral, there is simply no circular solution to our waste spiral. Are the bravest transformers to spend the rest of their lives sorting waste in landfills until we ourselves become part of our own waste in the dustbin of history?

Turning nature into bank accounts for perpetual growth by artificially shortening the life of products is a recipe for collapse. Production focused on meeting real human needs requires an environmentally friendly version of grandpa's car that served him for 30 years, etc. That will dramatically reduce current production volumes and energy abuse, and cut waste by 75%! Greening greed with clean energy for a dirty system and recycling ever-growing waste will plunge us further into waste. Aren't we looking for a needle in the wrong haystack? It's time for an extrasystemic reset. We need to take back our narrative (as featured in our profile 'Restoring Innate Storytelling') by reconnecting with the driving force of evolution, which is that life always seeks more life.

HUMANITY IS AN ENDANGERED SPECIES. THIS IS THE PRICE WE PAY FOR DISCONNECTING FROM EVO-LUTION WITH THE SURVIVAL OF THE FILTHIEST

Biodiversity loss will end when it is humanity's turn. As we add new entries to the endangered species list, we forget about humanity. Archaeologists of a future civilization will have a hard time to understand how such a gifted species became extinct long before evolution demanded it, and wonder if it was suicide or euthanasia? Suicide will be quickly ruled out in the light of evidence from all corners of the earth that the majority of humanity wanted to live and thrive in a better world that was possible.

How could a small group of tyrants defy the life-giving logic of evolution, produce a lame species and drive it to the edge of the cliff? Free will can end free will, but the good news is that free will can also rescue our future. We have a choice and must choose now, before the echo of the last human voice is silenced and the last eyes to see our shadow on the planet close forever. What is stopping us from standing up and reclaiming life as a non-negotiable option for ourselves, our offspring and planet Earth?

We need an extrasystemic solution. Let's stop, once and for all, listening to the peerreviewed lies of a predatory system that has hijacked the narrative to ensure system maintenance. Enough of distracting summits and Conferences Of Perpetrators (COP) that have failed in their best 'intentions' and succeeded in their worst ambitions. The most experienced and reliable expert, nature, warns us unequivocally that we have become a liability to evolution, are headed for disaster, and are running out of time. The first step is to restore the authentic narrative of life and refuse to engage in the project of survival of the filthiest. Clean energy for a dirty system will only sustain a market economy of perpetual cancerous growth for profit. No

circular economy can contain a waste spiral. The ABCs of mathematics tell us that a circle cannot contain a spiral. Perilously close to the abyss, humanity's moral reserves must now awaken from their hibernation and take the reins of our destiny before our species plunges into the abyss of oblivion. What are we waiting for in such a precarious state? 'The time that will tell' has already told! No more litanies and debates about blueprints. Wanderer, there is no road, you make the road as you go. Action is the best prediction! Mistakes will be made down the road and corrected, but failure due to inaction cannot be forgiven. There is hope, but only if hope is turned into action.

THE REAL THREAT TO THE SUR-VIVAL OF HUMANITY IS CIVILI-ZATION

Is this an unforgivable impertinence or a terrible truth that catches us off guard?

Humans became the measure of all things because we like to imagine that humanity is nature's goal.

Civilization derives from 'civis', the city dweller who escaped the 'barbarism' of the forest, the wilderness, communal life and nature itself. Modern civilization has transformed the human being into a predatory species, an unreliable companion of life and a liability to evolution. Long ago, the great moral philosopher Hans Jonas warned of the cosmic solitude of anthropocentrism. "In a violent and violating irruption into the cosmic order... the raping of nature and the civilizing of man go hand in hand." The disheartening story is that despite the laudable efforts of millions of courageous people, we are losing the battle for the environment, peace and development because we are looking for a needle in the wrong haystack. The predatory project has managed to win us over to its system maintenance script, recruiting us for cosmetic embellishments like clean energy for a dirty system and a circular economy designed to curb ever-spiraling waste.

2023 should end the hibernation of humanity's moral reserves by reconnecting with the driving force of evolution, which is that life always seeks more life. Competition and selfishness, the ultimate virtues of the system, must give way to cooperation and solidarity. Indigenous peoples can teach us how to escape from today's synthetic modernity, whose anthropocentrism, perpetual growth and profit-driven production point to an endgame in evolution.

Faced with a moral crisis rooted in the cancerous growth for the benefit of the elites, Frantz Fanon's visionary words of half a century ago come to mind. "The Third World today faces Europe like a colossal mass whose project should be to try to resolve the problems to which Europe has not been able to find the answers."

The extrasystemic wish for 2023 is harmony with nature and with each other, starting with overcoming two trophies of civilization, communism, which is in the graveyard, and capitalism, clinically dead and on its way to the morgue. Fortunately, the moral reserves of humanity can restore harmony with the driving force of evolution, which is that life always seeks more life. This will open the way to rehumanize a dehumanized humanity and regain our right to live in evolution by reclaiming our authentic story. There is no better reason to joyfully wish each other and our children a happy new year.
THE TRANSITION FROM THE SCI-ENTIFIC TO THE ETHICAL AGE IS IMPERATIVE FOR THE SURVIVAL OF HUMANITY

Science and ethics diverge in their answers. When science is at odds with reality, it changes its theory. When ethics is at odds with reality, it's time to change reality. Science is concerned with how reality is, ethics with how reality should be. Science can coexist with dehumanized humanity, cancerous growth, domination of nature that destroys the planet and contribute to system maintenance, warmongering, and the marginalization of the majority through the accumulation of capital that breeds trillionaires. Ethics calls for transformative action that rehumanizes humanity to overcome existential threats.

The system-maintenance narrative recruits many by blaming the victims of consumerism rather than the perpetrators of profiteerism, while sending the best environmentalists to sort waste in landfills in the service of permanent economic growth.

Scientific certainty is unscientific, because science is the relentless pursuit of perishable 'truths'. The goal of science is not to find objective 'knowledge', but to reduce the degree of speculation and provide provisional answers. The false presumption of science to seek truth has done immense damage to the social evolution of humanity. As a science of liberation with no presumption or role other than technologically support humanity's project to survive and thrive, science must humbly step back because it has no solution to anthropocentrism. Ethics, with its narrative for transformative action, must take the driver's seat.

"In a time where humans desperately need to engage as architects of the future rather than observe as bystanders, the choice for the ethical realm imposes itself at a global scale as an imperative for survival." (Quest p. 369) We are in the midst of the fifth transition in human evolution in search of practical knowledge, which has evolved from the naturalistic era (instinct and superstition) to the mythological era (natural forces and ancestral spirits) to the theological era (divine Creator and revelations) to the scientific era (reason became the new God), and we are on the threshold of the ethical era.

History travels from the past to the future, and we are its footsteps. The present is a special case of history, and history-making is part of history. Therefore, in a quest to rescue our future, we don't need prophets or doomsday preachers writing bestsellers, but down-to-earth activists, because action is the best prediction. We cannot blame history for the future we refuse to rescue on the ruins of the past. The mantra of evolution that life always seeks more life is the holy grail for rescuing our future and surviving and thriving in harmony with the universe and with each other. Are you ready for the reset to the ethical age to take your rightful place in the social force that can rescue our future, the

moral reserves of humanity, starting with overcoming two trophies of civilization, communism, which is in the graveyard, and capitalism, clinically dead and on its way to the morgue. Fortunately, the moral reserves of humanity can restore harmony with the driving force of evolution, which is that life always seeks more life. This will open the way to rehumanize a dehumanized humanity and regain our right to live in evolution by reclaiming our authentic story. There is no better reason to joyfully wish each other and our children a happy 2023.

WHEN THE DARKNESS OF ENLIGHTENMENT CAME UPON US

The sweeping notion that the transition from the scientific to the ethical age is imperative for the survival of humanity (see previous post) is unimaginable and unacceptable heresy to academia, to the system maintenance strategy of modern civilization, and to people who remain mesmerized by the dubious claims of science to be the champion of intellect, progress and evolution. The end of the dictatorship of science affects the backbone of the university, the crown jewel of the superiority of modern civilization that justified colonial conquests and globalization of the local experience of the West. Since constructive critical discussions of existential issues cannot be decided by referendum, we should focus exclusively on persuasive arguments, such as those that have brought us out of a flat world.

Until science abolished ethics, all ages in search of the source of truth and knowledge were permeated by ethics. The naturalistic age, the mythological age and the theological age were all crystallizations of the ethical question of what is good and right. The scientific worldview under the rule of Reason as the new monotheist was the first to marginalize ethics. Is the Himalayas beautiful and genocide bad? Don't ask the scientist. For science, aesthetics and ethics are not issues that can be verified or falsified by its sacrosanct search for facts.

When science, as the sole authority of knowledge, abolished ethics, we fell into a vacuum that could not answer the existential problems of humanity, which have continued to grow to the dangerous proportions of today.

"We urgently need some kind of moratorium on 'modern' science [AI, GMO, killer drones, virus modification, space imperialism], which has marginalized itself from ethics from the outset, to give reason and intellect time to shift course and resuscitate as a generator of liberating technology. This will be a timely measure to enhance our ability to find adequate responses to the challenges we face in building the harmonious world we aspire." (Quest to Rescue Our Future, p. 370)

While the ethical age will not eliminate religion and science, it can purge religion of its fundamentalism and liberate science from its servitude to a predatory system, in order to serve critical inquiry for rescuing our future. Religion burned scientists at the stake of a flat earth but could not burn their arguments. Ethics will withstand the flames and eventually bring science down from its ivory tower, respected only by elephants.

Modern civilization has failed as a project of humanity. Under its watch we have traveled from the gate of the cave to the brink of the grave. The ethical age is our escape, and the awakening moral reserves of humanity are its natural heirs. Ruins should not be mourned but built upon. Listen to the story told in the colonized world at the harvest of organic corn fields. "When the darkness of Enlightenment came upon us..."

FOSSIL FUELS WILL FOSSILIZE US ALL

The boss of a global oil giant will preside over COP28, making the cat the guardian of milk and cheese. The real environmental summit that can make a difference is long overdue: COP 1, Conference of Peoples. Are you ready for the reset? This is an invitation to all environmentalists to act now.

We can look for another name than COP, used here to reject the monopoly of the Conference of Perpetrators to dictate selfish solutions that endanger our permanence on Earth. It is a timely signal that the moral reserves of humanity, still in the majority, are awakening to reclaim our destiny from irresponsible and reckless hands.

We have lost the battle for our environment for half a century. We must now reclaim the narrative on a pluralistic and democratic platform for an egalitarian dialogue that respects the independence and identity of all. Regardless of 'prestige' or membership, no one should claim authorship of the initiative or the privilege of unilaterally imposing strategy. In a quest, nothing is set in stone except the best of intentions. Those who object on pragmatic grounds that this great idea will not work must be reminded that a pragmatic slave is a perpetual slave. The task is formidable. We have traveled from the gate of the cave to the brink of the grave. Undoubtedly, the challenge is huge. But it doesn't matter if the water is cold or hot, if we have to cross the river anyway!

In volatile times without a blueprint, by galvanizing the forces that protect the environment, peace and development, we can reclaim the narrative to take charge of our destiny, starting with the most important word in life: HOW. No one entity should claim authorship of the initiative or strategy but all voices should speak with the intonation of their own voice in a respectful, pluralistic dialogue of equals. The youth who will populate the future, the indigenous peoples who teach us harmony with nature and the

transformative environmental movement will deliver their message from the first row, with science in a valuable supporting role from the back seat. "We live on a small planet that a boundless Universe privileged with the chemistry of life. Humanity has been tampering dangerously with the exceptional conditions that made life possible on Earth...The redeeming force that can give humanity a second opportunity in evolution and can rescue our future is within reach. It is closer than we could ever dream. It is "We'." (Begin and end of https://www.res-<u>cueourfuture.org/quest</u>). The building block of We is I!

COMMUNISM IS IN THE GRAVE-YARD AND CAPITALISM IS ON ITS WAY TO THE MORGUE

The coroner has found the cause of death in the first words of the birth certificate of communism and capitalism: "The only beauty of nature is its monetary value. The first imperative is to transform nature into bank accounts." Violating the law of evolution to stop growth when maturity is reached makes the Amazon Rainforest less green, the ocean less blue and our future grey.

Capitalism tramples on equality and doesn't care if people drop dead after voting. Communism tramples on freedom by expecting people who have enough to eat to keep quiet. The coldest place in Hell is not an acceptable option. Two rivalling devils conquer the masses not by advocating virtues, but by demonizing each other. Didn't you know that the Cold War was not a fight between capitalism and communism? It was the struggle between anti-communism and anti-capitalism.

Their common root is Hegel's Eurocentric fable that history has traveled from East to West. Europe is the future face of all with its mantra "What was good for the West is best for the rest."

The failed narratives of modern civilization have put us on a collision course with nature. The largest existing communist country features state capitalism as part of its strategy for global hegemony and the most powerful capitalist country champions anti-capitalism rejecting free competition, free markets and free trade, in order to become great again in defiance of its own economic laws. Hegemonic struggles, no longer with coal but with the threat of nuclear power, have made the possibility of a Third World War a breakfast conversation.

Humanity can no longer wait for a reset, because 'the time that will tell' has already told! We must refuse to be part of a powerless crowd passively waiting for the golden wand of the predatory, warmongering system of superpowers, corporate tycoons, warlords and the dwindling one percent. Those who threaten peace, life, love and our stay on Earth have no moral authority to speak. If we believe their tales, we are sleepwalking into extinction. Rather than hope for salvation through another system maintenance theory, we must reclaim the narrative.

We have traveled from the gate of the cave to the brink of the grave. The force that can still take command of our destiny and rehumanize a dehumanized humanity is the moral reserves of humanity. Changemakers must break out of their crippling frustration by looking for embellishments on a slope to extinction. It is time to merge many I's into one invincible We. Evolution is on our side with its wonderful law that in the face of extinction all species become creative to find a survival option. The redeeming force that can give humanity a second chance in evolution and rescue our future is within reach. It is closer than we could ever dream. It is 'We'.

AN EMPIRE IN DANGER IS A DANGEROUS EMPIRE

The second cold war pits U.S. anti-capitalism against Russian/Chinese capitalism. Free market and free competition? This is what communism longs for today to conquer the world economy, while to become great again the champion of capitalism rejects these pillars of capitalism. The fall of the Berlin Wall showed that the prison was on both sides. Let us wait for the demise of capitalism before celebrating the death of communism. In the meantime, let us begin to build on the ruins of capitalism and communism a just and eco-friendly world where life seeks more life and no one decides for others how to die.

REFORESTATION DOES NOT RESULT IN A FOREST; IT RESULTS IN A PLANTATION

Destroying forests is like a parasite that kills its host. Since every tree we plant is a blessing, reforestation is a virtue, but first we must keep our forests intact.

When we returned from one of our twelve annual four-day mountaintop retreats (https://crscenter.com/amazon.pdf) in the Amazon rainforest that helped shape *Quest to Rescue Our Future*, where two Franco/Chilean artists had just presented their beautiful https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8yyuS <u>2Ox52c&t=88s</u>, *Praise of the Tree*, we saw a 500-year-old felled tree on a loader truck and said to each other that restoring the forest and the ecosystem to its original state would take 500 years. Reforestation is all very well, but it does not result in a forest; it produces a plantation. The great battle for survival (one of the battles) is to put *eco* into command. *Eco* means *home* and is the common root of economy and ecology. Let us live from what nature generously offers us while keeping our home intact, intensifying the struggle to maintain the purpose with which evolution has endowed the forest.

INDIGENOUS RIGHTS TO ANCESTRAL LANDS NEVER EXPIRE

Indigenous people know how to survive and thrive by keeping the forest intact, because they know that ecology and economy should be in balance, given their common root 'eco', which means home. Indigenous rights to ancestral lands never expire because they were appropriated by an intruder on the day a guest declared himself the host. In the words of the Mayan prophet Chilam Balam: "The colonizers came to wither the flowers. To nourish their own flower, they harmed and sucked the flower of others." (*The Books of Chilam Balam, early 16th century*). Thousand flowers will bloom again!

MODERN CIVILIZATION HAS FAILED AS A PROJECT FOR HU-MANITY AND CAN OFFER NO OP-TION FOR SURVIVAL

Humanity has become the Frankenstein of evolution. Some of the monsters: war is the guardian angel of peace, nuclear weapons for 'deterrence', predatory economy, environmental collapse, the cult of billionaires, authoritarian rule, the caricature of democracy, global surveillance, artificial intelligence overtaking us, religious fundamentalism, selfishness as the supreme virtue, globalizing the majority into extinction, the moral quagmire.

Step out of your comfort zone or your activism for a minute and share your thoughts about an extrasystemic solution! Rather than adding to the list of troubles, contribute to the solution that 95% of our species and 99.9% of our youth are waiting for. Rehumanization of a dehumanized humanity is the imperative recipe for survival. Let us open the window of opportunity in the hands of humanity's moral reserves, still in the majority.

WAR IS THE GUARDIAN ANGEL OF PEACE

The goal of all war is peace! Since all contending parties share this as a sacred ambition, the best definition of war is the struggle between peace and peace. In the poetry of warmongering, only killing can stop the killing. The more enemies one kills, the greater the heroism and the size of the statue. War, as the first beneficiary of human intellect and creativity, has trespassed the survival heaven with nuclear, chemical, biological, cyber and AI-enabled capabilities. Superpowers seeking hegemony are turning nations into innocent victims (Vietnam, Middle East, Ukraine) and generals fighting for monopoly of power are decimating their own people (Sudan). When will we put an end to this madness of making economy (needs), religion (ethics)

and tribe (community) the primary drivers of war?

This is the desperate 1955 manifesto of Einstein and Russell: "Here, then, is the problem which we present to you, stark and dreadful and inescapable: Shall we put an end to the human race; or shall mankind renounce war?" Shall we compose a requiem or a song of joy? The imperative first step is for the moral reserves of humanity to take command of our destiny and rehumanize a dehumanized humanity.

TRANSCENDING DARWIN'S NATURAL SELECTION TO REHUMANIZE A DEHUMANIZED HUMANITY

Rehumanizing humanity is the most important challenge for the survival of our species. People understand the urgency, but still wonder how to do it and whether we have not already gone too far. Rehumanization is not a far-fetched overnight slogan, but the result of decades of reflection and discussion that have shaped the book 'Quest to Rescue Our Future' (https://www.rescueourfuture.org/quest), which chronicles the trajectory of humanity, diagnoses our current misfortunes, identifies dangerous trends, charts desirable and feasible futures, locates transformative social forces, and analyzes strategy and actions that can shape a different version of humanity.

Blaming the victims for their misfortunes is the classic 'mistake' that perpetuates the evolutionary anomaly of humanity that has degenerated into pathology. The deeper cause is our fourfold domination (of nature, of fellow humans, of culture and of the mind), orchestrated by the elites, which has brought us to the brink of the abyss of oblivion. Instead of deadly competition and war, the norm of cooperation is rooted in the driving force of evolution, which is "Life seeks more life'. This goes beyond the misnomer of 'natural selection' that Darwin regretted four times within a year of publishing 'On the Origin of Species'. In a letter to a colleague, he wrote: "If I had to write my book again, I would use 'Natural Preservation' & drop 'Selection'." This fascinating story of discovering the driving force of evolution draws on the thinking of several philosophers such as Arthur Schopenhauer (the will to live), Albert Schweitzer (reverence for life), Hans Jonas (responsibility and accountability for future life), and the new understanding of development in Quest to Rescue

Our Future, which identifies "Life seeks more life" as the driving force of evolution.

People are responding to this holistic approach, which analyzes today's fourfold existential challenge from an evolutionary, historical, contemporary and future perspective. To keep the momentum going and encourage critical commentary, the Rescue Our Future Foundation has made the purchase of the book affordable for everyone, including the option of a \$50 gift pack to share the Quest with 20 people in addition to your own copy.

Today, there is confusion, sadness and despair among activists and change agents worldwide because, despite their superhuman efforts, we are headed in the wrong direction. Nature intensifies its warnings with the intonation of a final call to urge us to find an extrasystemic solution in an inspiring collaborative effort, for nothing is set in stone in a quest, if not our desire to survive and thrive as a species in a livable world for ourselves and our offspring. Natural selection undoubtedly plays its role. But many experts still consider it the driving force of evolution, whereas it took Darwin only six months to realize that evolution goes beyond 'probability without will' in the casino of 'natural selection', a misconception that he would replace with 'natural preservation' if he could rewrite the book, as can be seen in the following letters that Darwin sent to his colleagues.

Darwin to Charles Lyell 6 June [1860]

"I suppose "natural selection" was bad term; but to change it now, I think, would make confusion worse confounded."

Darwin to W. H. Harvey [20–4 September 1860] "If I had to rewrite my book, I would use "natural preservation" or "naturally preserved". I shd. think you would as soon take an emetic as reread any part of my Book, but if you did & were to erase selection & selected & insert preservation & preserved, possibly the subject would be clearer."

Darwin to Asa Gray 26 September

"If I had to write my book again I would use "Natural Preservation" & drop "Selection", but it is too late now."

HUMANITY ON AUTOPILOT TO EXTINCTION

Time for an extrasystemic reset

Humanity has traveled from the gate of the cave to the brink of the grave. Privileging profit over the satisfaction of needs to accumulate wealth by subjecting nature to the whims of man has plunged us into an existential crisis. An anthropocentric, profitdriven, waste-generating market system, for which the only beauty of nature is its monetary value, is overstepping planetary boundaries and approaching tipping points that threaten Earth's vital signs.

Evolution is warning humanity that it is tampering with the exceptional conditions that have made life on Earth possible. Nature is telling us with unmistakable portents that we are putting life in mortal danger! We must reset before evolution activates its immune system to rid itself of an unreliable life companion that has become a liability.

Even more frightening, our only hope, the global environmental movement that unites our best guardians of life, nature and peace, is losing the ecological battle. For 50 years we have been looking for a needle in the wrong haystack, betting on self-reform of the system that feeds on our misfortune. In doing so, we surrendered to system narratives of greening greed, such as 'sustainable development' for system maintenance, clean energy for a dirty system, a circular economy that cannot keep up with spiraling waste, and sunflower horror - aerosols blocking solar energy. These narratives disguised as development went hand in hand with the destruction of the most reliable carbon sequestration machines and the most efficient solar panels: Trees. There is no technological solution to the cosmic solitude of anthropocentrism. With no idea how to escape our precarious situation, the environmental movement is mired in disbelief, defeatism and despair, as humanity dances a dangerous tango

on the fault lines of evolution. Harmony with nature is a prerequisite for life and prosperity. Our survival now boils down to a timely extrasystemic reset that connects with the driving force of evolution, which is 'life seeking more life'.

On the last lap before the exit, this is an SOS call to all transformative movements of humanity to take a deep look in the mirror. To fight for a better world, we must bring together the moral reserves of humanity in a joyous extrasystemic movement to rescue our future, to take back the wheel from the drunk drivers of modernity. Those who think this is a bridge too far are rejecting the last window of opportunity and the only bridge to survival.

The fatalism of pessimists breeds the same apathy as the anesthesia of hope. The key to survival lies in humanity's moral reserves, the only social force that can translate hope into transformative action. Are you ready for the reset of a stalled path? We are not running out of options; we are running out of time. Action is the best prediction!

SLAVE SKIN AS COLONIAL COMMUNICATION INTERFACE



One hundred and sixty years ago, on July 1, 1863, slavery was 'abolished' in the Dutch Caribbean colonies. The horrors of twentyfive generations of hereditary slavery are well documented, but the heavily distorted surviving colonial documents are an obstacle to understanding its true magnitude. Perhaps the less subjective exercise of Quest to Rescue Our Future will help us assess the impact of forced labor in the Americas.

"An estimated four billion cubic meters of slave sweat, in more than a hundred thousand days of Indian and black slavery from Mexico to Patagonia and from São Paulo through the Caribbean up to New York, gives a sense of the value produced by forced labor." (Based on 60% of the maximum amount a person can sweat per day, p. 67.) How about a dollar value per ounce for reparations?

While this large figure reveals much about history, the most telling evidence of inhumanity I encountered in my long travels through literature is a small incident between two colonial plantation owners in 18th century Suriname.

"John Gabriel Stedman (1744–1797),¹ a captain in the colonial army that combatted maroons in the interior of Suriname in the eighteenth century, narrates a minor incident

¹ John Gabriel Stedman, Narrative of a Five Years Expedition against the Revolted Negroes of Suriname in Guiana, on the Wild Coast of South America; from the Year 1772 to 1777. Two volumes. London, J. Johnson and J. Edwards, 1796, pp. 347–348

between two colonial plantation owners that goes to the heart of the deep immorality of slavery. 'At Arentrust, a few plantations lower down, some days before, a poor negro was sent with a letter from his proprietor to the manager there – this last not liking the contents, gave the messenger four hundred lashes, telling the innocent man, at the same time, to carry that for the answer to his master.' The message fused with the messenger as his body carried back the response. Slave skin became the interface for colonial communication." (Quest, p. 68)

A dependent slave became an independent slave and humanity is still waiting to emancipate itself from mental slavery, the first step to rescue our battered future.

SQUARING A VICIOUS CIRCLE,

Fossil fuels will fossilize us all and clean energy for a dirty system is a palliative in the hospice

Humanity has disconnected from the driving force of evolution, which is 'life seeking more life', and is dangerously altering the exceptional condition that made life on Earth possible. The real problem is anthropocentrism, our imagination that man is the purpose of the universe. Modern civilization has failed as a project and can offer no survival option! There is no technological solution to anthropocentrism. We need an extrasystemic reset that rehumanizes a dehumanized humanity, before evolution activates its immune system to rid itself of a Frankensteinian monster that is putting life in mortal danger. The satisfaction of needs could easily settle for a quarter of today's energy abuse for profit maximization. We need an

extrasystemic solution in the hands of humanity's moral reserves to stop our road to suicide or euthanasia. Yes, better a stone age than no age! Our cosmic challenge to rescue our future is too big for a cryptic post. See the full argument of 25 years of reflections in this life's work.

THE ROOT OF OUR EXISTENTIAL PROBLEM IS THE COSMIC SOLI-TUDE OF ANTHROPOCENTRISM, HUM ANITY'S IM AGINATION OF BEING THE PURPOSE OF THE UNI-VERSE

Evolution is so generous to offer the main culprit of distress one last chance before it activates its immune system to get rid of the species that is putting life in mortal danger. We must decide whether we throw in the towel and become the humanosaurus of the future or put on gloves* for an extrasystemic reset. There is a beautiful law in evolution that when faced with the prospect of extinction, all species become creative in finding a survival option. Let us join forces with the other moral reserves of humanity to rescue our future in harmony with nature inspired by the driving force of evolution, which is 'life seeking more life'.

WE ARE TOO BUSY TO SURVIVE IN A PATHOLOGICAL WORLD THAT WON'T SURVIVE: TIME FOR AN EXTRASYSTEMIC RESET!

Prophets foresee the future, scientists predict the future, pessimists erase the future, optimists invent the future, but even the anesthesia of hope will not bring the magic to prevent despair unless we translate hope into transformative action. Nightmare or dream? Forget the optimist's magic wand and let's leave pessimism for better days. Action is the best prediction! What are we waiting for when 'the time that will tell' has already told? Are you ready for a Rescue Our Future Movement? The first step is to help shape it in an open platform of organizations, activists, change makers and concerned dwellers of the planet, on an equal, respectful, pluralistic and democratic footing, where no one

claims authorship, leadership, authority or control. The time has come for all of us to be able to speak out loud with the intonation or our own voice and to be heard as we speak freely to each other without recordings. Are you ready to add your two cents or just listen for now as ideas begin to take shape in an open gathering with others who share your deep concerns? Let us know at rescue@rescueourfuture.org and we'll get back to you with the Zoom link as soon as the meeting is scheduled. It's now or never, hence now!
GOLDEN RULE OF CREATIVITY: WRITE BEFORE YOU READ, MAKE CONTEXT THE HOME OF TEXT AND NEVER DEBATE

Three blasphemous rules were the recipe for graduation at well-known universities of many candidates of the PhD School of a small island I coordinated for a decade.

- 1. Debates are not allowed!
- 2. Write first, then read!
- 3. No text without context!

Students would literally take over my next class:

"I can write now. No more writer's block!" "I've shelved the books for a while!"

"I'm no longer afraid of the blank page!"

"I've become creative overnight!"

"I no longer have to go to the fridge, without the slightest appetite!" "I am no longer a parrot, but a spider spinning my own web."

"My writing is no longer a collage, but so much fun!"

Some quick impressions of this game-changing story that everyone can benefit from.

Debate

The neurotic effort to prove that one in 'right' and to defend one's 'truth' by overruling 'alternative truths' is an intellectual malpractice. Debates belong in the courtroom and in parliament to free murderers and enforce double agendas. Truth exists in theology, not in science. The goal of science is not to find truth, but to reduce the degree of speculation with the best guess available for the time being. Science is the never-ending search for perishable truths. Given the prominent role that falsification plays in science, scientific certainty is unscientific. This calls for self-criticism, respectful discussion and constructive pluralistic dialogue. In a quest, no one is 'right', which leaves no room for debates in defense of dogmatic beliefs.

First write, then read

Thinking and writing before you read is the best firewall to avoid selling one's soul to the established wisdom of self-proclaimed centers of excellence. Intellectuals who let others do the thinking become agents of system maintenance under the tyranny of a 'knowledge' oligarchy. With careful observation and critical reflection you write from the heart, while passive reading through the eyes of others produces obese fast-food bookworms, skilled ruminators and sophisticated legal plagiarists. The bookshelf is the testing ground for new insights, not the source of knowledge.

Text without 'con-text' is hallucination

Context-free knowledge reminds us that science divorced from reality is science fiction. In a quest without blueprints, nothing is set in stone except our unwavering commitment to strive for a better version of humanity, even against the tide. The path of discovery is a quest where nothing is set in stone. The secret lies in restoring innate storytelling, not alienating academic writing, a system-imposed cult that values form over content. A fusion of critical thinking and transformative action, untainted by parochial interests, can pave a better path to the future than sophisticated forecasting, because in the quest to rescue our future, action is the best prediction.

WITH A WARM EMBRACE, SURI-NAME'S ISLAMIC AND JEWISH RE-LIGIOUS LEADERS SEALED THE SIGNING OF A JOINT DECLARA-TION CALLING FOR PEACE, TOLER-ANCE AND DIALOGUE



MOSQUE AND SYNAGOGUE SIDE BY SIDE IN PARAMARIBO ICON OF PEACE, TOLERANCE AND RESPECT IN THE WORLD SINCE 1932

"With 91 years of good neighborliness of our adjacent houses of worship, we offer the world an example of how religions and their organizations can coexist in peace without compromising their unique identities. We jointly ask the Almighty to guide people to abandon the path of violence, which makes us all losers, and to take the path of dialogue."

With respect and tolerance, differences become a beautiful asset of diversity. Peace is the best rescue operation - it saves so many lives!

"PLEASE, DON'T TURN HELL INTO EARTH!" CRIES THE GREAT DEVIL TO THE FIGHTING DEVILS

'Civilization' has become a curse that has dehumanized our species and driven our finest values into the gutter. We see the shame through the window and in the mirror. When humanity is not destroying nature, it is glorifying war, uprooting cities and killing babies before our eyes with arrogance and impunity in pursuit of selfish goals that require the destruction of our species.

I do not know the difference between a Palestinian and a Jew and refuse to learn it, because humanity is one extended family descended from the same ancestors, and race is a terrible lie! A religion that refuses to respect other paths to the Divine is a fundamentalist, warmongering danger that has nothing to do with God, but is Her nemesis. There is only one force left that can rehumanize a dehumanized humanity: the moral reserves of humanity, away from political, military and economic tyrants. We must join forces for a new version of humanity with a reset in the spirit of 'life seeking more life', the engine of evolution. It is time to answer the call of Quest to Rescue Our Future and join forces across divisions. The first and last word of the book is 'We', and this is the last paragraph:

"Devotion to life enhancement as the cosmopolitan glue for the moral reserves of humanity fills our ongoing quest with a burgeoning hope that none of us will be the last dweller on Mother Earth. The redeeming force that can give humanity a second opportunity in evolution and can rescue our future is within reach. It is closer than we could ever dream. It is 'We'."

Living in harmony with nature and with each other is the only way for humanity to avoid the looming abyss of oblivion. No force on Earth will be able to stop the global movement of the moral reserves of humanity committed to rescuing our future. tend to be more

FUNDAMENTALISM IS PRAYING TO GOD TO KILL THE GOD OF THE OTHER

The Divine replies: "Peace is not a gift; it is a task."

Humans tend to be more radical than their Gods, committing atrocities that only a demon could authorize. Mortals become bodyguards of the Divine, as if their God is incapable of self-defense. Instead of waiting for Heaven, they create hell on Earth by secularizing religion into violence for subjugation.

In a war where casualties are mounting by the minute the existential question is whether religions can coexist in peace without compromising their unique identity. The Torah gives the Chosen People the Promised Land, Jesus declares in the Bible that all humanity is the Chosen People, and in the Quran there is no true God but Allah. Given their common Abrahamic root, one might wonder to what extent such differences between the scriptures are autobiographical adaptations. If not, "the God of the Abrahamic religions seems to have been a bad bookkeeper, giving the same place to three rival religions now preparing to fight a final battle to rule the city that Jews and Christians call Jerusalem and Muslims call Al Quds. The clashes for its control may become the closest thing to hell of anything we have yet seen on Earth." (Quest to Rescue Our Future, p. 137)

The goal of war is peace, on both sides, which means that war is the struggle between peace and peace. It is hard to imagine a deeper moral aberration in evolution, whose driving force is 'life seeking more life'.

Humanity is a single extended family born of the same ancient ancestors. Race is a terrible lie and religion, born of ethical values for inner peace, has derailed to become an instrument of subjugation and even a weapon of mass destruction. To rescue our future, it is imperative that we re-humanize a dehumanized humanity. If peace-loving people fail to stop today's dangerous warmongering with a just and humane solution for all, victory at all costs with extreme weapons may be a successful suicide attempt. The impending Judeo-Christian confrontation with Islam will engulf us all as collateral damage.

In their 1955 joint manifesto, Bertrand Russell and Albert Einstein warned humanity. "Here, then, is the problem which we present to you, stark and dreadful and inescapable: Shall we put an end to the human race; or shall mankind renounce war?" Instead of learning, humanity continues to bet on a requiem for a gifted species.

Religions must undergo a profound transformation to become conflict-free institutions by respecting alternative paths to the Divine. The solution lies in 'concerted diversity', a symphony of many voices synchronized like instruments in an orchestra that never lose their unique identity. Never again should adults be allowed to prevent children who do not share the same blood type from playing happily together under the trees of the olive garden. Peace is the best formula for saving innocent lives. But it is not a gift; it is a task.

WE WILL BE THE HUMANOSAURS OF TOMORROW IF WE DO NOT RESCUE OUR FUTURE

It's for the moral reserves to restore the story of life.

Rise up! At a time when despair, defeatism and fear are rampant, with no way out in sight, it is time for the moral reserves of humanity to restore evolution's narrative of life seeking more life as the narrative of humanity. We have lost the ecological battle against a predatory economic system for which the only beauty of nature is its monetary value, and we have failed in our struggle for peace against the unstoppable warmongering, death dealing rulers of the world.

Humanity has traveled from the gate of the cave to the brink of the grave and we are already leaning over the abyss of oblivion. The fourfold domination of nature, other humans, culture and mind is ending our sojourn on earth in a toxic mix of ecological disaster, poverty-inducing wealth, imploding morality and fundamentalist world war. Now, we must rehumanize a dehumanized humanity to prevent us from becoming the humanosaurs of tomorrow.

Evolution is on our side with its beautiful law that all organisms and species become creative in the face of death and extinction in search of survival. The failure of civilization to guarantee survival has left only one force intact that can rescue our future: the moral reserves of humanity, marginalized, disconnected and frustrated by the prevailing system, but still in the majority and capable of embarking on the extrasystemic solution proposed in Quest to Rescue Our Future.

The urgent need to shift a fatal narrative toward a dialogue of peace, hope and survival has prompted the Rescue Our Future Foundation to make the book available to a wide audience with an affordable \$50 package that allows you to accompany your Christmas or New Year's greetings for peace and prosperity to twenty people with a pdf copy of the book as a gift, in addition to your

own copy. <u>https://www.rescueourfu-</u> <u>ture.org/quest/</u>

The first sentence of the book is: "We live on a small planet that a boundless Universe privileged with the chemistry of life. Humanity has been tampering dangerously with the exceptional conditions that made life possible on Earth." The last sentence is: "The redeeming force that can give humanity a second opportunity in evolution and can rescue our future is within reach. It is closer than we could ever dream. It is 'We." The task is difficult but the first step is simply to turn many I's into an invincible We.

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EXISTENTIAL CRISIS: SAPIENS WITHOUT ANIMAL WISDOM LOOKING FOR A NEEDLE IN THE WRONG HAYSTACK



During my morning walk, this surprisingly simple manifestation of "life seeking more life", which is the engine of evolution, reminded me of the worldwide frustration of millions of courageous environmental and peace activists. Despite powerful arguments and compelling evidence, we have been losing the battle for a better world for fifty years. Naively believing that we could reform from within the system that feeds on our misfortunes, we have been looking for a needle in the wrong haystack. You can't transform hell while the devil brings more coal. We've given in to system-maintenance gimmicks like clean energy for a dirty system, recycling the ever-increasing waste of perpetual growth, and war as the guardian angel of peace, and evil has run rampant.

Humanity has gone astray and is now mired in existential problems. Anthropocentrism, the imagination of being the purpose of the universe, has disconnected humanity from the safe haven of evolutionary harmony. The domination of nature quickly extended to the domination of people, culture and mind. All the intellect of instinct-poor sapiens could not guarantee social intelligence and avoid suicidal paths. Animals fly to higher ground, watching people inquisitively approaching the receding waterline before the tsunami hits. We need a reset. Modern civilization, pinnacle of the cosmic solitude of anthropocentrism, has failed as a project of humanity. Under its watch, we traveled from the gate of the cave to the brink of the grave. Its major institutions have been stripped to become system- maintenance devices, as is the case with the predatory economic system, mainstream science, fundamentalist religions, partisan politics and the media for mass excommunication with peer-reviewed fake news. Nature now urges us with the intonation of a last call to reconnect with the symphony of life before evolution activates its immune system to rid itself of a dangerous anomaly.

Instead of remaining trapped in the shadow of evil, we need an extrasystemic solution for a new version of humanity. The only force left to rehumanize a dehumanized humanity is humanity's moral reserves.

Since in a quest nothing is set in stone, we must avoid debates between rival 'truths'. Instead, in a dialogue between change agents for cross-fertilization there is room to enlighten peers, add your grain of salt, listen and reflect or simply recharge your batteries. This is the Zoom dialogue we are preparing, for which we welcome you, because your voice also counts.

The worst remedy for impending disaster is the anesthesia of optimism, but in these testing times, let's leave the superstition of pessimism for better days. Action is the best prediction!

LET US TURN HOPE INTO ACTION, BECAUSE ACTION IS THE BEST PRE-DICTION



This is the challenge that governed the DIA-LOGUE ON A RESET TO RESCUE OUR FUTURE held on February 10, with beautiful reflections from all continents on how to break the current impasse of transformative forces, as we are losing the battle for the environment and peace. This Zoom meeting was triggered by the LinkedIn post 'Life seeks more life' and the many comments it generated. Instead of complaining about how bad the world is, the main concern of the dialogue was to emphasize how good it can be and what actions we can take. The alternative can only take shape when positive forces overcome the divisions and come together to merge into the critical mass necessary for the rehumanization of a dehumanized humanity. The future can only be bright if it is in the hands of the moral reserves of humanity.

You can watch this dialogue on YouTube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z7oF tMB5S2k.

It demonstrated that there is much common ground and shared goals, but in a quest no one has a magic wand, and we have to patiently shape the future as we walk. Given the proposals that were made at the meeting and the reactions, we are currently working on a follow-up with the same format of peer-topeer dialogue, where no one person or organization can claim leadership, authorship or control. This is the best way to allow everyone to feel comfortable contributing their ideas and listening to how others want to shape the better world we want for ourselves and future generations.

We cannot redeem the past, but we can rescue our future. Let's reverse-engineer the future we want so we have a guide for what to do now. The big question is what it will take for humanity's moral reserves to initiate a Rescue Our Future Movement. If watching this dialogue has inspired you and you would like to be part of it, email us at rescue@rescueourfuture.org to be informed of upcoming events.

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AN EXTRAORDINARY MOMENT IN THE WORLD'S MOST FORESTED COUNTRY

"Living in Harmony with Nature in Suriname"



Amerindian prayers of gratitude to Mother Earth for the abundance of life in the Amazon rainforest kicked off 'Living in Harmony

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with Nature', the alternative of Suriname Amazon Collective to the extractive economic model that destroys nature and degrades the Earth's habitability. Harmony with nature is the only option for survival in evolution, and all other 'models' are projects of induced extinction.

Suriname, the world's most forested country, is seeing its carbon-negative status threatened by deforestation caused by gold mining, logging, large-scale industrial chemical farming and the imminent exploitation of huge oil and gas deposits. Alarmed by these serious threats, environmental organizations, activists, experts and research institutes have joined forces with indigenous peoples and tribal communities, who can teach others how to live in harmony with nature, giving birth to the Suriname Amazon Collective.

The will to survive is the great conspiracy of the cosmos. It drives evolution forward in a life-enhancing spiraling continuum. The seed's mission is the tree; the tree's mission is the seed. Economy and ecology are not the opposites that modern civilization has made them out to be. 'Eco', their common root, means home, which invites us to live from what nature generously offers us, keeping our home intact, clean and habitable.

Raising awareness, empowering communities, preserving culture, safeguarding social and cultural cohesion, and creating the Amazon Forest and Peoples Center, which fuses traditional and academic knowledge, are the pillars of this comprehensive, multi-year strategy. It integrates environmental, economic, social, cultural and development perspectives, transcending traditional disciplinary divisions. Its aim is to demonstrate the possibility to achieve a high standard of living with social justice in harmony with nature and each other, through ecotourism, medicinal plants, non-timber forest products, agricultural development on rehabilitated abandoned farmland, responsible use of carbon credits and global funding for keeping the forest intact for humanity.

The aggressive expansion of the extractive economy is bringing the Amazon rainforest closer to the tipping point of ecological collapse. The Suriname Amazon Collective is counting on the solidarity and support of the entire world to stand up to the powerful forces of destruction, for whom the only beauty of nature is its monetary value, and for whom development consists in processing nature into bank accounts.

Beyond indignation and outrage, humanity now needs action. Only if the world stands with us can we stand with the world to protect our common heritage, living in harmony with a green paradise in the heart of the Amazon rainforest!

Suggestions, support and offers of funding are welcome at <u>rescue@rescueourfu-</u> <u>ture.org</u>.

NO SUSTAINABILITY WITHOUT HARMONY WITH NATURE



Sunday's ride around the island of Aruba captured a simple testimony of living in harmony with nature. 'Eco' (home), the common root of economy and ecology, belies the polarization of modern civilization that leads to unsustainability, discontinuity and existential crises. Survival is impossible without harmony with nature. This is not a scientific discovery, but a law of evolution that predates science and astrology.

Humanity's search for truth has gone through four worldviews. The naturalistic era (animism) succumbed to the mythological era (ancestral spirits), which gave way to the theological era (God) until the advent of the scientific era (Reason is the new God). Today, the transition from the scientific to the ethical era is a prerequisite for the survival of humanity.

From the perspective of Evolution, the most dangerous artificial intelligence is the human intellect. A divergence between science and reality leads to a change of theory. A divergence between ethics and reality leads to a change of reality. Science addresses the academic question of what reality is like, but ethics addresses the existential question of what reality should be like. Humanity's survival can no longer be assured by static knowledge, but needs transformative action, which amounts to a successful transition to the ethical era. The immediate goal is a sustainable humanity with ethics and wisdom at the wheel and science in an honorable back seat of support (<u>https://crscenter.com/sus-tain.pdf</u>).

Modern civilization has failed as a project in evolution, alienating us from nature and dragging us into the depths of oblivion. Its most powerful system-maintenance strategy is information obesity, an overload of peerreviewed fake news to impose the system's narrative and create confusion in a state of mental slavery, conducive to apathy and acceptance of the inevitability of our demise.

Call it a reset, overhaul, change of mindset, metamorphosis if you will, but we have no choice but to reconnect with evolution and its driving force 'life seeking more life'. Everything else boils down to writing the refrain of our own requiem.

Fortunately, in the quivering morning breeze, there is the whispering voice of humanity's moral reserves, like a full-grown embryo ticking on the cracking eggshell, giving birth to the Rescue Our Future Movement. There is no need to destroy before building because evolution is the best revolution. Instead of fighting the weeds that have invaded the fields beyond the horizon, the mission is to plant and nurture the tree that will deprive the weeds of light and nutrients. We must emancipate ourselves from the mental prison imposed by the system. With the front door hermetically sealed, we must take an extrasystemic leap over the prison wall, not knowing where to land in freedom, but confident that others are waiting for us to shape the road together on the go.

ON AUTOPILOT TOWARDS EX-TINCTION: EXTRASYSTEMIC RESET TO RESCUE OUR FUTURE



Humanity is dancing a dangerous tango on the fault lines of evolution. Sustainability is impossible and no path to survival is open outside the fourfold harmony of evolution with nature, with other humans, with other cultures and with ourselves.

The domination of nature, in an obsession with perennial growth, defies evolution's imperative to grow to maturity and then stop growing to enjoy the fruits of growth. The domination of fellow humans has made war the guardian angel of peace as the supreme arbiter of discord and has brought us closer to the final world war. Domination of other cultures finds its ugliest expression in fundamentalists who pray to God to kill the God of the other. Their conflicting Holy Books are more likely to be tribal autobiographies than the divine word, unless God was a bad bookkeeper, giving the same city and the same land to rival groups. Mind domination stifles freedom and development and leads to the imposition of parochial narratives that cause crippling mental slavery. If all alternatives to harmony are bleak, global harmony is the solution. Planet Earth warns us with unmistakable portents that we must move from the cosmic solitude of anthropocentrism, driven by power, greed and fame, to harmony with life, before evolution activates its immune system to remove an anomaly that puts life in mortal danger.

The bottom line of half a century of tireless efforts by the global environmental and peace movements is that we are losing the battle for a better world. We have been looking for a needle in the wrong haystack, coopted by greed-greening system-maintenance narratives, such as clean energy for a dirty system and a circular growth economy, mathematically impossible, since a circle cannot contain spiraling waste, the main product of a mindless 'civilization'.

The system that feeds on our misfortunes will not solve our existential problems. On autopilot towards extinction, we can either sleepwalk on towards our demise or join the moral reserves of humanity, the only remaining social force capable of rescuing our future. A dialogue with no one person, organization or group claiming leadership, authorship or control offered mutual trust for a beautiful gathering of all continents <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z7oF</u> <u>tMB5S2k</u>.

Quest to Rescue Our Future, which gave birth to our foundation, continues to

be an inspiring read for critical reflection and dialogue on an extrasystemic solution, which is why we have made it affordable in pdf format for \$2.50 in a gift pack for 20 people <u>https://www.rescueourfu-</u> <u>ture.org/quest</u>.

Discover it to free yourself from frustration, unleash your inner strength and imagination and explore new horizons for action in our next dialogue with nature and evolution on board. Let us know at <u>rescue@res-</u> <u>cueourfuture.org</u>

We are not running out of options, but we are running out of time. Action is the best prediction!

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OVERCOMING ANTHROPOCEN-TRISM, THE ROOT OF OUR EXIS-TENTIAL CRISIS

The imagination that humanity is the purpose of the universe, its rightful owner and the measure of all things, is the source of the cosmic imperialism of anthropocentrism. The claim to be the ruler of everything, including nature and the 'lower' races, is the root of our existential crisis. While the metabolism of evolutionary harmony applauds the symphony of life, humanity's ability to dominate, manipulate, abuse and destroy nature and other humans for selfish ends, like a parasite killing its host, is celebrated as 'civilization'.

Decoupling from evolution comes at a high price. The will to survive, grow, flourish, bear fruit and defeat death through reproduction is the big conspiracy of the cosmos. The breach of harmony with nature blocks our survival, which even the trophy of science cannot remedy, because there is no technological solution to anthropocentrism. Domination driven by power, greed and fame has put life in mortal danger. Systemmaintenance narratives such as sustainable 'development' that seeks clean energy for a dirty system, recycling an ever-growing waste, a benevolent superpower, geoengineering to dim the sun, and space migration that destroys yet another planet are all palliatives to adjust the thermostat of the hospice of extinction.

This is not fatalistic pessimism, but Mother Earth's warning to a species that has become a liability for evolution. The mounting threat of ecological collapse, genocidal world war, mass starvation and the onset of an unthinkable extinction has led to frustration and despair among the bravest changemakers, who have no idea how to reform a system that thrives on our misfortune.

The only force capable of restoring harmony with nature, with fellow humans, with other cultures and with ourselves is the moral reserves of humanity. Their turn has come in evolution to initiate an iconoclastic extrasystemic reset to re-humanize a dehumanized humanity. How can humanity's moral reserves lead us to a better version of humanity, as a peace-loving, life-loving, cosmocentric species? This is the great unknown in an evil-infused world that will bring together concerned people, activists and critical thinkers from all continents, at the Rescue Our Future Foundation's second international Zoom dialogue "Overcoming Anthropocentrism, the Root of Our Existential Crisis", on April 13, 2024, from 15:00 to 17:00 UTC.

In a quest, nothing is set in stone, and since no one has the solution, no one person, organization or group should claim leadership, authorship or control, which is the best recipe for mutual trust, as our previous dialogue

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z7oF tMB5S2k has shown.

Be part of this peer-to-peer dialogue to rescue our future with voices from all continents, guided by the evolutionary mantra "life seeks more life".

FOOD SHOULD COME IN BASKETS, NOT IN CONTAINER SHIPS

"Food, health and shelter sovereignty" is the title of the section of **Quest to Rescue Our** Future that deals with article 25 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which states that everyone has the "right to life" and "the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care". This is in harmony with the first lesson in the kindergarten of evolution, according to which survival consists in adapting to nature and integrating into the environment, first of all by finding and creating healthy food sources. All the peoples of the Earth have translated this for millennia into delicious meals with healthy spices. But today food and health have become lucrative businesses that undermine health, culture and wellness. The 20 largest

fast food chains (17 of which are US companies, each with billions in revenue) have more than 350.000 fast food restaurants (both domestic and international) in the world. Why should humanity tolerate the health hazard of fast-food chains that undermine food sovereignty with the imposition of unhealthy eating habits, alien to the local culture, detrimental to traditional and local production and harmful of public health? Food should come in baskets, not in container ships!

ANTHROPOCENTRISM: PARADOX OR THE ROOT OF OUR EXISTEN-TIAL PROBLEM?

"Overcoming Anthropocentrism, the Root of Our Existential Crisis", the second dialogue on rescuing our future on April 13, began with a paradox around anthropocentrism. (Watch

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qpxm R12TOKg)

"Something I am struggling with is that, because we are human, we will always have an anthropocentric view. It's hard for me not to have an anthropocentric perspective, but I find the belief that humans are the most important creatures in the universe, and that the universe is there just for humans, problematic."

Is selfish survival at the expense of nature sustainable and can parasitism and harmony go hand in hand? In evolution, the only sustainable option is harmony with nature. If humanity does not stop putting life in mortal danger, nature will activate its immune system to get rid of a dangerous anomaly.

This sparked a fascinating dialogue between participants from all continents, one of whom raised the possibility of a "responsible anthropocentrism". But is this really a paradox or just an unfortunate mix-up of terms?

Of course, a rabbit can only look at nature through the eyes of a rabbit. But does that give it the right to claim to be the rightful owner of the forest? To prevent a particular form of life from arrogating to itself dominion over all life, we need a precise term that distinguishes action from 'form', the Greek word for which is 'morphē', the root of a term like metamorphosis.

A rabbit-morphic perspective, based on the rabbit's natural conditions, potential and limitations, does not justify a rabbit-centric worldview as the ruler of the forest.

If we apply this to the most harmful animal on Earth and separate an anthropocentric worldview from an anthropomorphic one, the paradox dissolves.

We have the power of our five senses, the size of our brains, the power of our minds, the properties of our language in a specific location in a tiny part of the universe, but the scope and size of these unique conditions also limit us to an anthropomorphic worldview.

As human beings, we are inherently anthropomorphic because we have no choice but to act, think and live from the limits, conditions and possibilities of our human perspective. Just as the rabbit has a rabbitmorphic worldview full of carrots, we have a anthropomorphic (responsible?) worldview. But we must vehemently resist an arrogant anthropocentric attitude, as if we were the rulers of the universe, as modern civilization would have us believe.

Anthropocentrism is an invitation to extinction and the root of our existential crisis. Our only chance of survival is to rehumanize a dehumanized humanity by moving from an anthropocentric to a cosmocentric worldview. The only social force left to initiate this metamorphosis is the moral reserves of humanity, who are at the heart of our ongoing dialogue to rescue our future! 62

MODESTY IS A VIRTUE

The greatest stupidity of the intellect is when people think they are so smart that they don't need to use their intelligence before they commit their next stupidity. Modesty makes you listen first, ask questions second and speak, if it is still necessary. Not being a slave to established 'wisdom' and accumulated knowledge is the cradle of wisdom, creativity and innovation is an invitation

WHEN THE DARKNESS OF THE EN-LIGHTENMENT CAME UPON US IT IMPOSED INDIVIDUALISM, A PRI-MARY CONDITION FOR TOTALI-TARIANISM AND ECOLOGICAL COLLAPSE

Individual freedom of "absolutely atomized elements in a mass society is one of the primary conditions for totalitarianism." This unexpected kinship between freedom and totalitarianism was discovered by renowned political theorist Hannah Arendt.

Totalitarianism relies on free individuals without power because it is difficult and costly to discipline an organic community. Arendt shows how Stalin's atomization of the masses made skillful use of purges. Individuals had to face the state "in complete loneliness without any help whatsoever from the group to which they happened to belong". Since the arrest of contacts could mean immediate danger, shunning social ties was the safest option. The Nazis succeeded in killing the moral person. They "implicated concentration camp inmates... in their crimes by making them responsible for a large part of the administration, thus confronting them with the hopeless dilemma whether to send their friends to their death, or to help murder other men who happened to be strangers, and forcing them, in any event, to behave like murderers."

For totalitarianism, individualism is a powerful instrument for breaking down the social response capacity, which is the built-in assertive power to respond to life's challenges in unison in the pursuit of survival and success. The insularity of individualism weakens the qualities that hold a group together (solidarity, common goals, mutual benefit) and pulls it apart (selfishness, competition, pursuit of wealth, lust for power). The Enlightenment's 'liberation' of the individual from the protective communal shield of kinship, clan and tribe left her defenseless against domination and abuse. The narrative of freedom, for which many are willing to kill or die, justified colonial and imperial atrocities. Hailed as a precious gift from the West to the rest, freedom was compatible with three hundred years of hereditary slavery. Was it unforgivable negligence or Eurocentric interests that led the great thinkers and philosophers of modern civilization to overlook such an appalling contradiction?

In existential danger, the solution for humanity is to merge many I's into an invincible We. This is the only road from an anthropocentric individualistic society that harms nature, driven by selfishness, competition and greed, to a cosmocentric community driven by solidarity, cooperation and compassion. We need a radical shift from terrorizing the planet to living in harmony with nature. Fortunately, we do not need to start from scratch. To rehumanize a dehumanized humanity, we can find inspiration in the balanced person-community relation as represented in Ubuntu (I exist through you), Sumak Kawsay (Living well in harmony) and *Gobernar Obedeciendo* (governing by obeying). This makes the path to rescue our future a beautiful challenge!

OVERCOMING ANTHROPOCEN-TRISM, THE ROOT OF OUR EXIS-TENTIAL CRISIS?

The imagination that humanity is the purpose of the universe, its rightful owner and the measure of all things, is the source of the cosmic imperialism of anthropocentrism. The claim to be the ruler of everything, including nature and the 'lower' races, is the root of our existential crisis. While the metabolism of evolutionary harmony applauds the symphony of life, humanity's ability to dominate, manipulate, abuse and destroy nature and other humans for selfish ends, like a parasite killing its host, is celebrated as 'civilization'.

Decoupling from evolution comes at a high price. The will to survive, grow, flourish, bear fruit and defeat death through reproduction is the big conspiracy of the cosmos. The breach of harmony with nature blocks our survival, which even the trophy of science cannot remedy, because there is no technological solution to anthropocentrism. Domination driven by power, greed and fame has put life in mortal danger. Systemmaintenance narratives such as sustainable 'development' that seeks clean energy for a dirty system, recycling an ever-growing waste, a benevolent superpower, geoengineering to dim the sun, and space migration that destroys yet another planet are all palliatives to adjust the thermostat of the hospice of extinction.

This is not fatalistic pessimism, but Mother Earth's warning to a species that has become a liability for evolution. The mounting threat of ecological collapse, genocidal world war, mass starvation and the onset of an unthinkable extinction has led to frustration and despair among the bravest changemakers, who have no idea how to reform a system that thrives on our misfortune.

The only force capable of restoring harmony with nature, with fellow humans, with other cultures and with ourselves is the moral reserves of humanity. Their turn has come in evolution to initiate an iconoclastic extrasystemic reset to re-humanize a dehumanized humanity. How can humanity's moral reserves lead us to a better version of humanity, as a peace-loving, life-loving, cosmocentric species? This is the great unknown in an evil-infused world that will bring together concerned people, activists and critical thinkers from all continents, at the Rescue Our Future Foundation's second international Zoom dialogue "Overcoming Anthropocentrism, the Root of Our Existential Crisis", on April 13, 2024, from 15:00 to 17:00 UTC. In a quest, nothing is set in stone, and since no one has the solution, no one person, organization or group should claim leadership,

ganization or group should claim leadership, authorship or control, which is the best recipe for mutual trust, as our previous dialogue <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z7oF</u> <u>tMB5S2k</u> has shown.

ADULTS WHO SPEAK ALOUD IN A WORLD IN DISARRAY SHOULD LISTEN MORE CAREFULLY TO THOSE WHO WILL POPULATE THE FUTURE?

In the precarious state of humanity, adults who have frightening reasons to speak out loud should listen more carefully to those who will populate the future. In *The Child Speaks*, where young people talk with open minds about the future, went viral and has been screened at international conferences (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qg8g <u>3ufY88k</u>).

More and more people are forced to live in expanding cities, but what should they look like from a child's point of view? In a joint project with the Urban Communication Foundation, the Rescue Our Future Foundation is asking young people to share their ideas,

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wrJsf qTO971. If you are young and care about your future, consider sharing your thoughts in a short video (info or send to <u>rescue@rescueourfuture.org</u>), which will be used to produce 'The Child Speaks II'. LinkedIn friends, share this great initiative with your children, nieces and nephews. Those who will populate the future have the right to design the world they want and like.

SOLUTION TO OUR ECOLOGICAL PROBLEM: LET'S NOT STEP ON OUR PREVIOUS FOOTPRINTS UNTIL NATURE HAS TIME TO ERASE THEM

A tall order for a species that has disconnected from 'life seeks more life', the driving force of evolution. Life is creatively self-preserving, but the challenge of rescuing our future is even greater than restoring ecological harmony, as the sound of the current war drums remind us.

The ecological crisis is one of four agonies humanity must overcome. All are rooted in domination, which is bifurcated into four domains: domination of nature (eco-cataclysm), domination of fellow humans (war), domination of culture (fundamentalism) and domination of the mind (mental slavery). We need a fourfold harmony, as described in detail in "Quest to Rescue Our Future". Focusing on evolutionary, historical, contemporary and future perspectives, the book outlines the urgent actions needed to address these issues holistically and identifies the social force we have left to rescue our future: the moral reserves of humanity. The book is an invitation to dialogue, because nothing is set in stone in a quest. We need a respectful dialogue among our moral reserves, without one point of view claiming truth, offering 'the' model or dominating thought. The Quest addresses five questions: where we came from (history), where we are now (diagnosis), where we are going (trends), what we dream of (a better version of humanity) and, most importantly, what we will do (action is the best prediction).

Evolution is on our side with its beautiful law that all species threatened with extinction creatively seek ways to survive. We, the moral reserves of humanity, can still rescue our future and should do so by merging many "I's" into a powerful "We", as you can read in Quest to Rescue Our Future https://www.rescueourfuture.org/quest Join the dialogue and consider engaging likeminded people with the gift pack to share the book with up to 20 contacts.

THE END OF SCIENCE AT THE WHEEL

The transition from the scientific to the ethical era is imperative for the survival of humanity!

Science deals with how reality is, and ethics deals with how reality should be. When there is divergence from reality, theory must change in science, but in ethics reality must change. At a time when transformative action offers the only lifeline to a species stuck in a life-threatening impasse, ethics must take the lead, with the driver's seat in the hands of humanity's moral reserves.

Humanity is faced with existential problems that science has helped to create, but which it cannot solve, because there is no technological solution to anthropocentrism. A better world is only possible through transformative action that re-humanizes a dehumanized humanity by opting for harmony with nature, the only path to sustainability and survival!

"Extradisciplinary Transition from Science to Ethics", the opening article of a book on "Balancing Nature and Culture for Development", just published in the most forested country (<u>https://crscenter.com/science-to-</u> <u>ethics.pdf</u>) elaborates this cosmic reset for the most gifted species we know. I appreciate your critical comments on this tectonic shift that abandons the lost game and opens the path to a brighter future. 68

"HOW TO STOP LOSING THE STRUGGLE FOR A BETTER WORLD?" THIRD DIALOGUE TO RESCUE OUR FUTURE

It is with a heavy heart that I must alert likeminded people - without discouraging their tireless efforts for a safe and healthy planet that we have been losing the fight for a better world for 50 years because we have been looking for the needle in the wrong haystack. We have been trying to change hell while the devil brought more coal. We have naively believed that the system that has caused our existential problems and continues to profit from our misfortune could be reformed from within. Its elites have managed to convince us of their system maintenance narratives, like clean energy for a dirty system and recycling an exponentially increasing waste. For their relentless growth, the only beauty of nature is its monetary value, and development means processing nature into bank accounts. To maximize their profits, they increase sales by shortening the lifespan of products, blaming their victims of consumerism, when the real culprit is 'profiteerism'. The main products of today's growthoriented market economy are waste and billionaires.

While in evolution sustainability is impossible without harmony with nature, we step in our previous footprints before nature has had time to erase them. Only an extrasystemic path can translate hope into action that can rescue our future. The moral reserves of humanity can offer a solution by taking the reins of our destiny and restoring the narrative. In a dialogue between equals for crossfertilization, no organization, institution or self-proclaimed guru should claim leadership, authority or the driver's seat. In a quest, nothing is set in stone and no one has the final answer. Instead of polarizing confrontations to prove one is 'right', which undermines solidarity, we need patient discussion and dialogue that allows all voices to be heard and everyone to speak with the intonation of their own voice.

We can choose to continue to sleepwalk into extinction or make a reset for a better version of humanity. This was the theme of the Third dialogue to Rescue Our Future: "How can we stop losing the fight for a better world?"

Watch it at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0bCI 2rJ7Fg

To break the current stalemate and growing global frustration, share your refreshing thoughts and ideas with like-minded change agents, activists and critical minds from all continents who are committed to a better version of humanity in an open, respectful, pluralistic and profound peer-to-peer encounter.

A FACTORY OF ANTIQUES COMES TO MIND IN TODAY'S EPIDEMIC OF ALTERNATIVE TRUTHS

Half a century ago, as a young backpacker crisscrossing Latin America for a year to understand why it was rocked by unrest and oppression, I took a break in Quito. A street vendor whispered to me that for the best prices he could take me to a factory of antiques (fábrica de antigüedades) and led me through narrow streets to a busy workplace in a back alley.

Today, the world's ruling systems, on both sides of the divide, have become factories of antiques in the service of system maintenance. They hijack the narrative to fabricate consent through manufactured truths, indoctrination, mass surveillance, mental slavery and peer-reviewed fake news. Rulers tend to be allergic to factual truths or research findings that can dent their partisan decision-making options, curtail their political strategies, and undermine their goal of obtaining and securing power.

No one put it better than Goebbels. "When one lies, one should lie big, and stick to it!" What has happened to humanity to make it submit to systems for which morality is a romantic distraction?

To take the reins of our destiny, we must emancipate ourselves from mental slavery and restore our authentic evolutionary story of "life seeking more life". The only social force that can pull us out of the quagmire, rehumanize a dehumanized humanity and rescue our future are the moral reserves of humanity. What are we waiting for when the solution is many I's merging into the invincible 'We' that can give us a second chance in evolution?

POWER BY BULLET, BALLOT AND WALLET IS ABOUT TO HIBERNATE LIFE ON EARTH

Empires in danger are dangerous empires

Power, greed and fame, the original sins of our species, threaten our continued existence on Earth. If not by climate disruption, then by the dispossession of the ailing majority and, most frighteningly, by today's hegemonic polarization of ruthless and selfish tyrants. In their desire to dominate others to impose their peace, conflicting parties have their fingers on the nuclear trigger. Peace is the ultimate goal of war, so much so that war can be defined as the deadly struggle between peace and peace.

When reckless confrontations threaten humanity to disappear from history, there is no valid, moral or tolerable justification for war. Sacrificing the health of our planet, the existence of future generations and life on Earth has become collateral damage in the zero-sum hegemonic game of tyrants that we can no longer tolerate.

The only social force that can stop this madness and rescue our future is the moral reserves of humanity, which can take our destiny into our own hands to reconnect with the evolutionary spirit of life seeking more life. It is the only force that can still rehumanize a dehumanized humanity through an extrasystemic reset of a derailed species.

The time has come for a Rescue Our Future Movement - one that transcends religious, ethnic, gender, geographic and other divisions - that refuses to submit to the dictates of predatory systems that harm our planet and destroy peace to plunge us into the abyss of oblivion.

If the many I's become a powerful 'We', humanity will be able to say "No!" to the impending hibernation of life on Earth. We are not running out of options, but we are running out of time. Are you a sitting duck waiting for the end without even thinking about

our offspring, or are you joining the new beginning? It is now or never, hence now!

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HOPE CAN SEE THROUGH THE FOG OF EVIL

The awakening of humanity's moral reserves instills a burgeoning hope that none of us will be the last dweller of Mother Earth. The redeeming force that can give humanity a second chance in evolution and rescue our future is within reach. It is closer than we could ever dream. It is 'We'.



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