

Peoples' Sustainability Treaties

converging on a

Peoples Transformative Agenda Post 2015



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alternative pathway for a sustainable transition

A workshop & webinar on 05th April, 2014 from 09.00hrs to 14.00hrs at: Ramapo College, Mahwah, NJ, USA



The Need for a Peoples' Transformative Agenda Post 2015



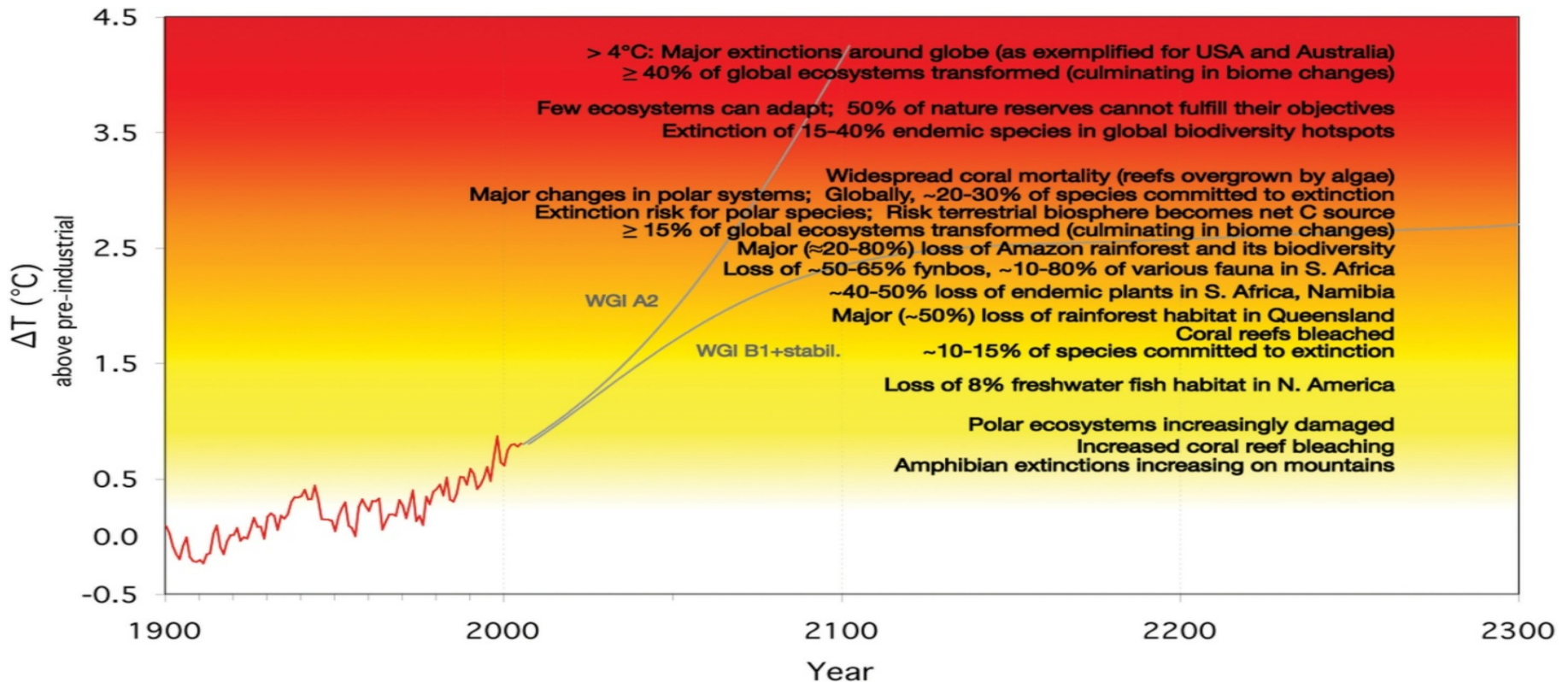
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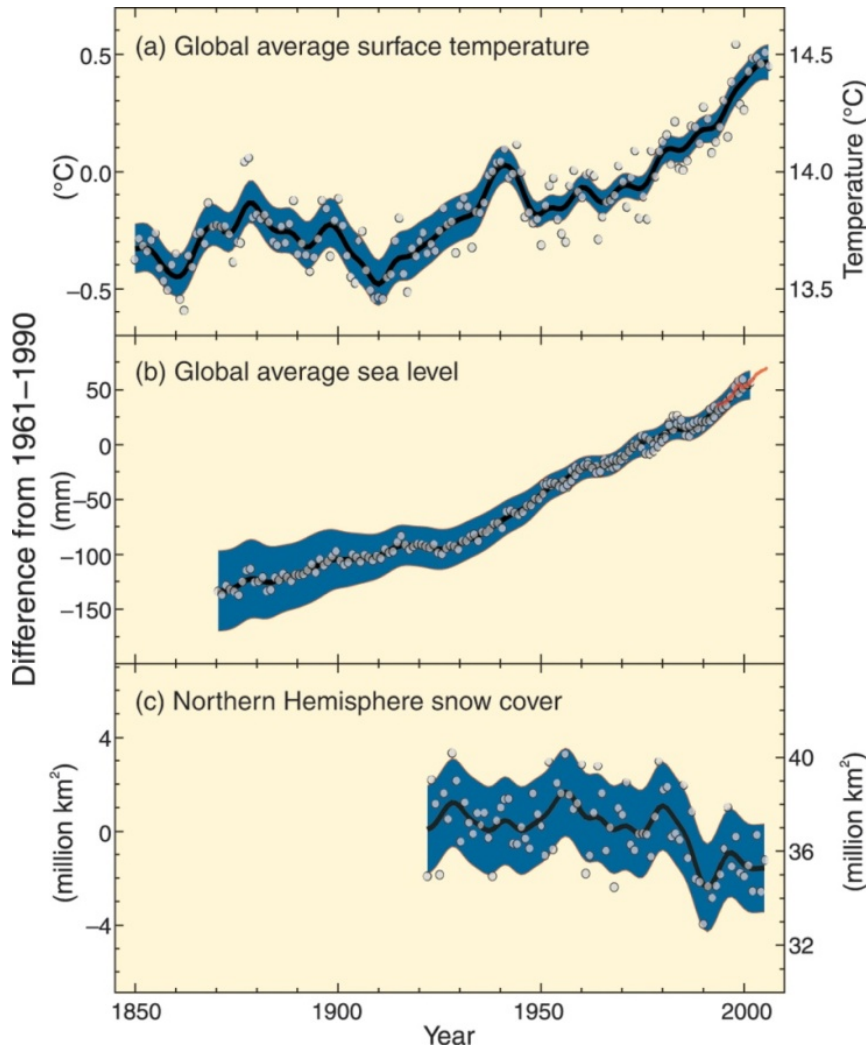
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HUMANS FACING MULTIPLE CRISES

“Humankind faces multiple and daunting crises that are more than likely to confront and impact billions of people in the decades to come.”



HUMAN ACTION IS THREATNING EXTINCTION

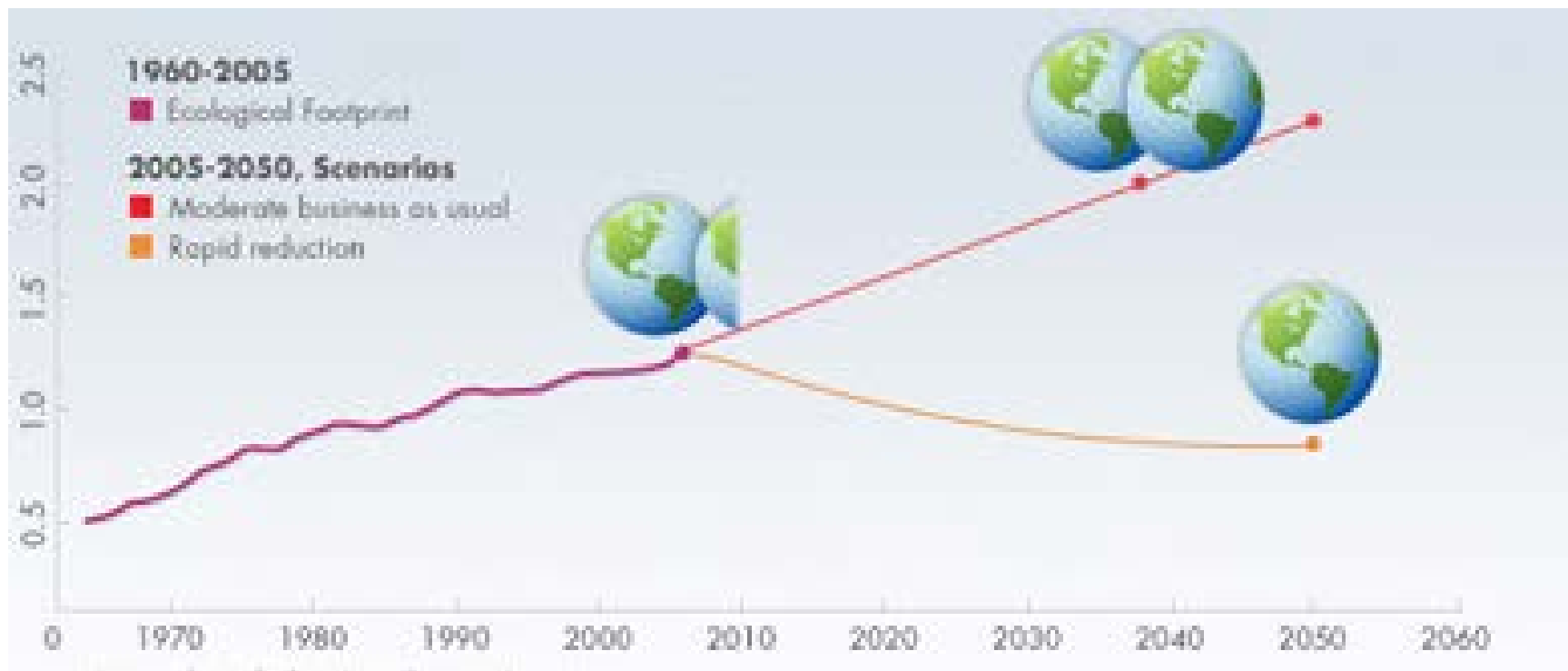


“In addition, research is showing us that our actions are very likely going to cause us to transgress multiple planetary thresholds and boundaries.”

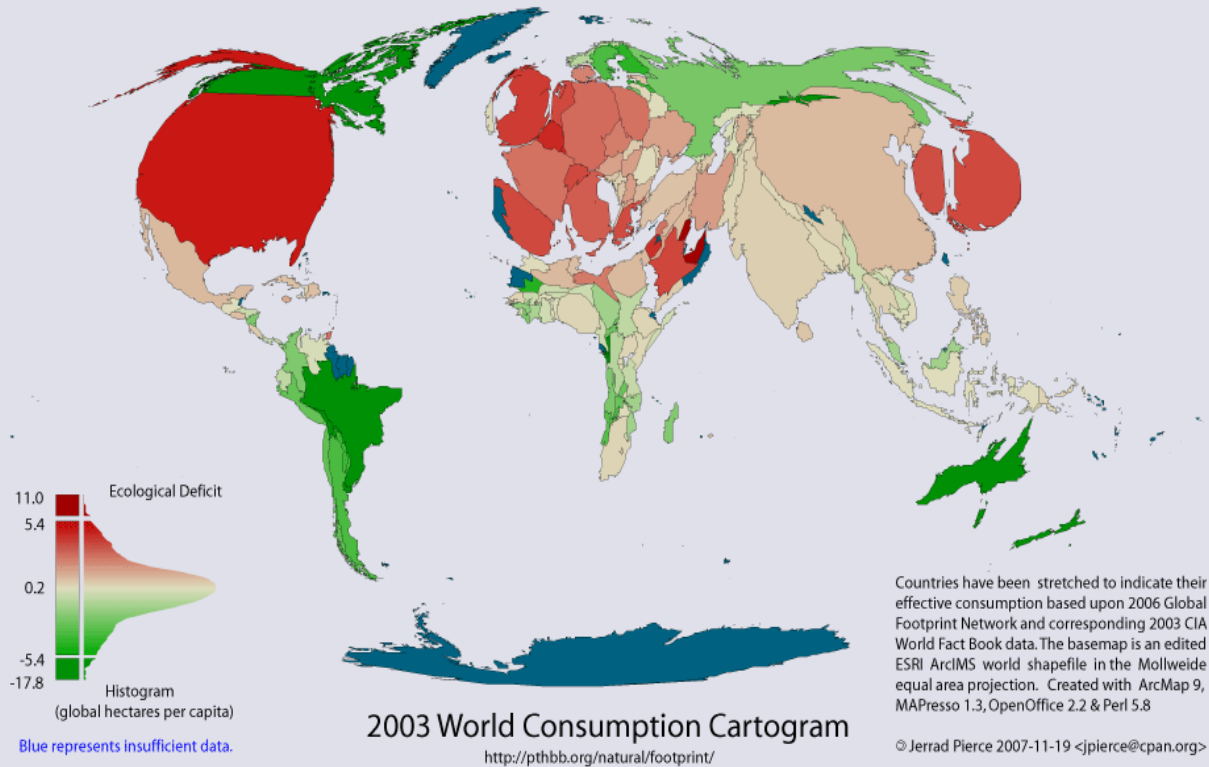


TRAPPED IN UNSUSTAINABLE GROWTH

“Despite unprecedented growth in the global economy since 1992, governments are trapped in making insatiable demands for still more unsustainable growth and rising inequity to remedy problems that economic globalization itself has caused”

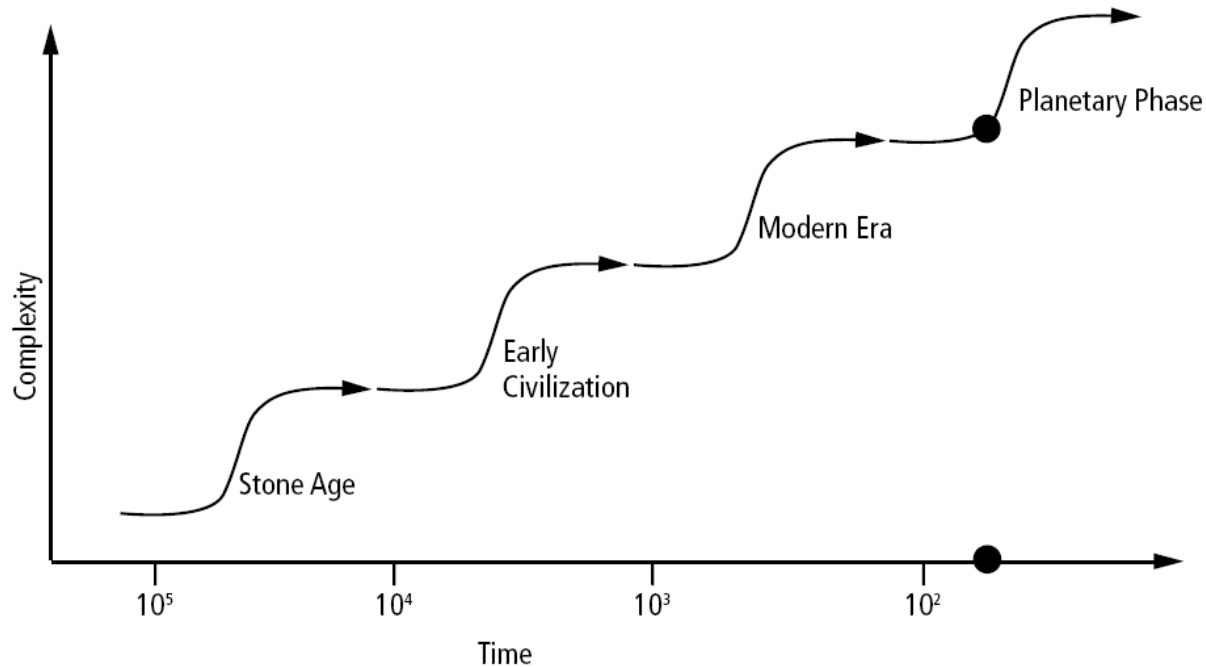


AN UNSUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT MODEL



- The dominant model of development has entirely failed
- ½ of world in poverty
- Increased gap between rich and poor.
- degrading planetary bio-geo-chemical processes
- predatory of both nature and people

NEW PLANETARY PHASE



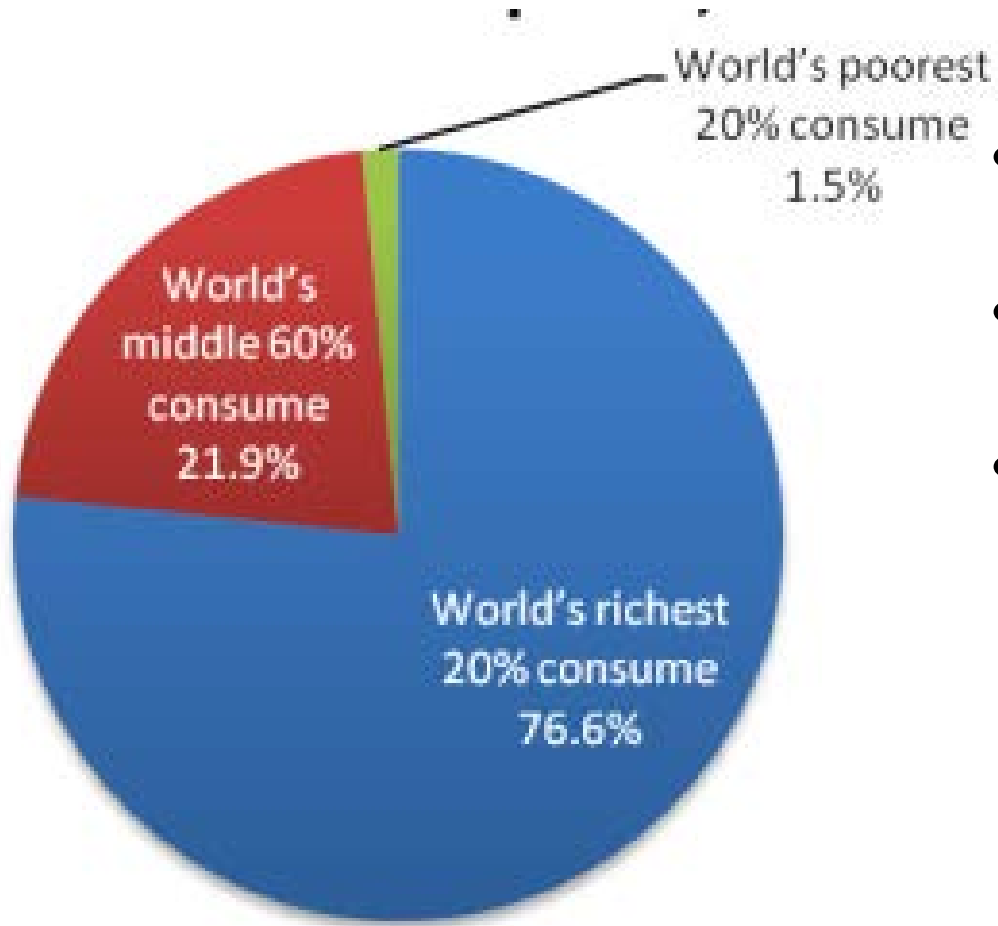
- The world's increasing interdependence is eroding geographic and cultural boundaries
 - Countries and people are converging in a global system with a shared collective destiny.
- We have entered a new planetary phase of civilization.
 - This new era demands a deep shift in the direction of development.

TIME FOR THE SUSTAINABILITY TRANSITION



- The new planetary phase calls for a transition to sustainability.
- Transformation in the world-views and values that shape the organizing principles of human society.
- New ways of human solidarity and affinity with nature.
- A dramatic re-emphasis on the idea of a decent quality-of-life for all must prevail.

ARCHITECTURE OF AN NEW WORLD ORDER

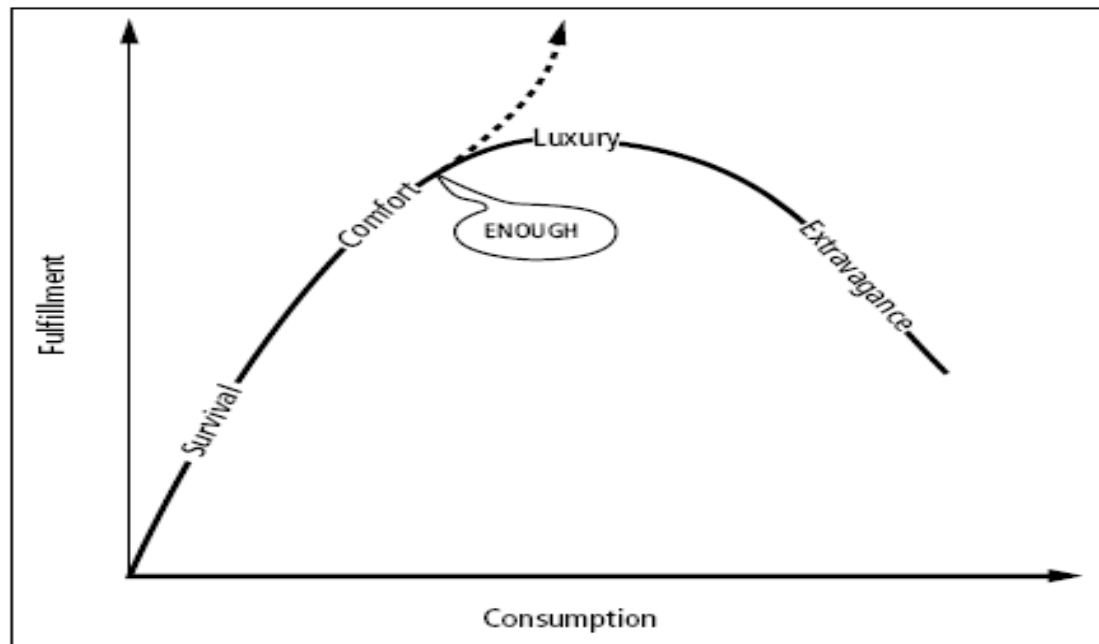


Equity

- Foundation of a Sustainable Society
- Based on ethics, spirituality, and mindfulness
- Foundation on which institutional structures, governance, economic arrangements, and technological choices must be built.

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Figure 7. Fulfillment Curve



Based on Dominguez and Robin (1992).

A New Economic Order

- Not a Single Global Economy
 - Earths Integrity and Planetary Boundaries
 - Resilience-by-Localization
 - Equity, Dignity and Justice
 - Inclusive Governance
 - Beyond GDP – wellbeing, sufficiency & happiness
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- Internalizing Externalities – Precautionary & Polluter-Pays Principle
 - The Restitution of Natural Capital and Human Capital

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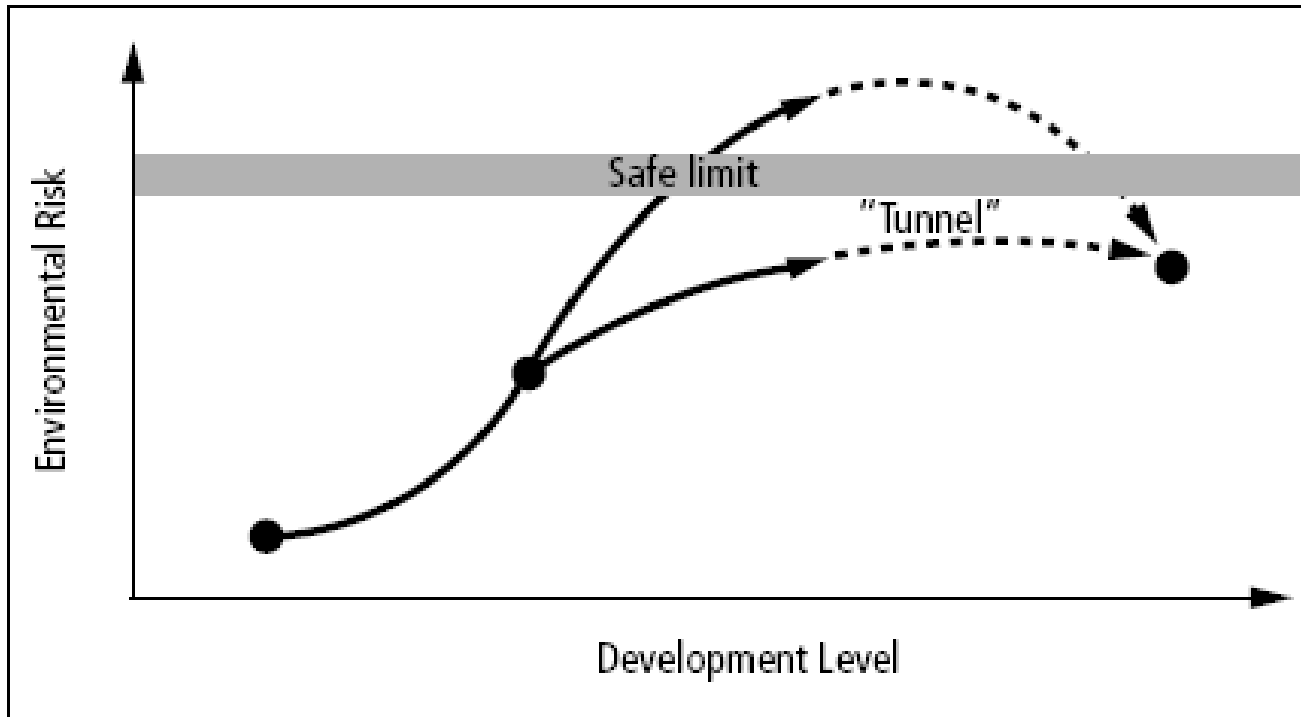


A New Social Order

- Empowers each person and community to take part in decision-making affecting their lives
- A system that endorse the principle of subsidiarity in the redesign of global governance institutions.

Note: Subsidiarity is an organizing principle stating that a matter ought to be handled by the smallest, lowest, or least centralized authority capable of addressing that matter effectively.

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A New Ecological Order

- Wellbeing of all
- In harmony with nature
- Promotes socio-economic equity
- Enhances the cultural, material, economic, social, and political opportunities for all

Based on Munasinghe (1999).

Who will Facilitate a Transformation? Who will Set the Agenda?

- Our governments?
- The intergovernmental governance mechanisms – United Nations?
- Civil society?
- Local People?
- Global Peoples Movement?



Evolving a Convergent Narrative

- Individual action for alternatives often gets isolated and diluted
- Collective action for alternatives needs to move away from silos mentality
- Convergent action for alternatives can provide an open space for
 - individual action to be up-scaled
 - collective action to be co-created
 - peoples alternatives to be propagated

Post 2015 in search of a convergent peoples narrative

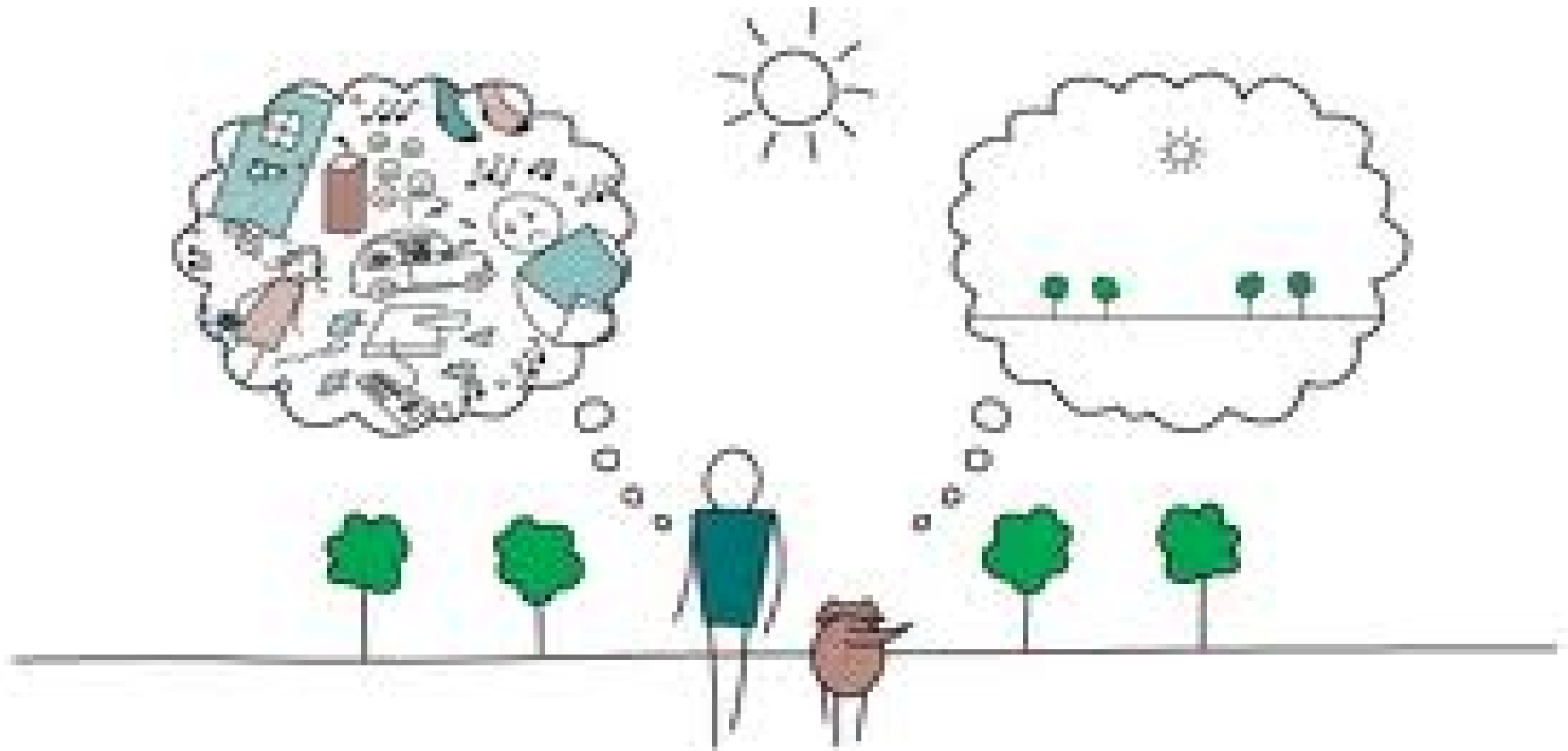
- An approach of convergence of

- Alternatives
- Visions
- Pathways
- Collectives
- Movements
- Synergies



- Hope of a transformation lead us in search of a **CONVERGENT NARRATIVE !**

MINDFUL Transformation



Mind Full, or Mindful?