

13:28:56 From Ted Manning To Everyone:

C: This link is to the discussion in Ottawa on Halloween with several important people speaking on Fall 2023 Net Zero summit. It is not free. [\$120. Ed.]

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/fall-2023-net-zero-leadership-summit-pre-cop28-stocktake-for-canada-tickets-732344380757?aff=oddtcreator>

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14:06:52 From Gabriela Gref Innes To Everyone:

C: Personal Accountability not Human Accountability because everyone's needs, cultures, are different.

14:08:49 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

Q: I very much share your frustration about the silos working on the same thing. The environmental community in Ottawa is so fragmented that it's hard to get anything done. The results prove that. Ottawa is one of the least environmentally friendly cities in Canada. How do you see CACOR helping with that?

14:15:47 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

C: A great book on and called Transforming the UN System by Dr. Joseph Schwartzberg:
<https://digitallibrary.un.org/record/804278?ln=en>

14:17:31 From Dave Dougherty To Everyone:

Q: Is setting goals like creating a mission, vision, and principles? What you do when you have little or no idea how to get anything done or you want to fool people into thinking you're going to do something when you have no such intent?

14:17:37 From Michael Marien To Art Hunter(Privately):

C: An outstanding presentation; I second the statement by Butch Nelson that it is a "stunning tour de force."

14:17:42 From Charles Hall To Art Hunter(Privately):

Q: It seems to me that the implications of the Limits to Growth and your goals are not particularly enmeshed. Is that so?

14:17:58 From John Hollins To Everyone:

Q: We have decades of experience with "goals" that have largely failed. Could there be totally different approach?

14:18:11 From Ted Manning To Everyone:

Q: Who is going to share their power and what desired futures would motivate them?

14:18:44 From Samrat Bharadwaj To Everyone:

Q: About this “our time” left. How much time do we have? In numbers?

14:19:09 From Peter MacKinnon To Art Hunter(Privately):

Q: Is it possible that the rise of the City State could become the nexus of geopolitics in the coming century?

14:19:25 From Art Hunter To Ruben Nelson(Privately):

It seems to me that the implications of the Limits to Growth and your goals are not particularly enmeshed. Is that so? (from Charlie Hall)

14:20:08 From David Pollock To Everyone:

Q: Could it be that given the failure of multiple goals and the time and expense in the middle of multiple crises, that it might be better to drive consensus clusters around actions? That is, X country announces they are contributing 0.7% GDP and invites others to join.

14:20:52 From Dave Dougherty To Everyone:

Q: Is it correct to understand that the socioeconomic sphere has taken over the agenda? There's almost no attention being paid to protecting the biosphere upon which we depend? If we continue to try to ignore it, the consequences will be worse than we can imagine.

14:22:44 From Peter MacKinnon To Art Hunter(Privately):

C: Iran was missing from the list too.

14:24:59 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

C: Law Not War campaign was just launched by unfoldzero.org announced this week by Citizens for Global Solutions (a US chapter of the World Federalist Movement). It deals a lot with the International Court of Justice.

<https://www.unfoldzero.org/law-not-war/>

14:26:35 From Michael Marien To Art Hunter(Privately):

C: I have little objection to David's concluding proposals for a World Supreme Court, UNSC2, and a Global Anticipation Council, although much to discuss. Rather, I want to return to the opening statement "Will something follow the SDGs?" and David goes on to suggest <50% chance of a new set of goals. I disagree. I think it's a 100% chance of a new set of goals. The question is what they are, the time frame, and--most importantly--how to realize them. The current set is heavy on 169 targets and 232 indicators, but very light on how to realize them, with virtually no attention to the thousands of NGOs, partly documented by the SSG (see [securesustain.org](https://www.securesustain.org)).

14:27:31 From Peter MacKinnon To Art Hunter(Privately):

Q: David, what has changed and in what direction since the Baku Meeting you have spoken about in the past and what are your prospects for the future?

14:29:09 From Dave Dougherty To Everyone:

c: Proliferation of comments? Those are bots.

14:29:34 From Charles Hall To Everyone:

Q: It seems to me that the implications of the Limits to Growth and your goals are not particularly enmeshed. Is that so?

14:30:08 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

C: CACOR is a "corps of discovery" to use a Guy McPherson term. We don't seem to be aimed at collective action. Thank goodness!

14:30:22 From Dave Dougherty To Everyone:

Replying to "It seems to me that ..."

You bet! It's running around making plans for seating at the dinner table in the dining room on the Titanic.

14:30:41 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

Reacted to "It seems to me that ..." with 👍

14:30:52 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

Reacted to "You bet! It's runni..." with 😄

14:36:55 From Peter MacKinnon uOttawa Engineering To Art Hunter(Privately):

C: Policy Horizons, the Fed's Foresight Group, uses something they call Scan Club to seek opinion from participants against a set of questions posed by a government department/agency. General about 100 participants from across Canada.

14:37:48 From Dave Dougherty To Everyone:

C: There's a decent chance the Israelis knew of the impending attacks and wanted them to proceed so they could launch retaliatory attacks on Hamas. *Skeptic*.

14:39:23 From Samrat Bharadwaj To Everyone:

C: Reacted to "It seems to me that ..." with ❤️

14:39:25 From Samrat Bharadwaj To Everyone:

C: Excellent point, Charles Hall. Do all such big goals include ecological impacts and values?

14:41:13 From Samrat Bharadwaj To Everyone:

Q: About this "our time" left. How much time do we have? In numbers?

14:44:06 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

C: We are already going to hell in a handbasket. Handbaskets may soon be high tech.

14:45:32 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

C: William Rees has been repeating lately that NO ONE is in control of what is happening today.

14:52:48 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

C: To me the proof that no one is in control is that if someone would be able to exercise that control they'd be able to do things like get people to vote for them. I think that those who think its possible to exercise full control have never been project managers.

14:54:47 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

@Raymond Leury So, Raymond, you are not convinced by Rees?

15:00:28 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

@Claude Buettner Just the opposite. I 100% agree with Rees on the fact that no one is in control. I think that what determines society's direction is a combination of a bunch of factors, including available technology, that drive us to make the decisions we make. There is no inherent reason why we decided to build our economy on FFs. Had we had a better alternative, we might have chosen differently. We did so because enough people thought it was the best solution.

15:01:03 From David Pollock To Everyone:

C: Just for clarity, I was talking about what some call a praxis approach essentially an action/reflection model where the next action is determined not by fifteen year goal thinking but by the reflection coming out of the immediate past action the value shifts to action vs step by step planning and then action...maybe...never?

15:06:23 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

Yes, I too bemoan that Photovoltaics hadn't been developed before Steam/Internal Combustion engines. Relatively cheap replacement of muscle power took the inside track.

15:08:54 From Dave Dougherty To Everyone:

SDSN (UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network)

<https://www.unsdsn.org/about-us>

15:12:08 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

It would be so much easier if we could change the past!

15:14:39 From Charles Hall To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

I think fossil fuels were developed first for very good reasons to people at the time: they had enormous net energy delivered to a society that had little or no environmental understanding. There is a concept called "Maximum Power" developed by Howard Odum that might explain this. It was in a sense a "social trap". The question is: Ok what do we do now.

15:15:53 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

Reacted to "I think fossil fuels..." with 👍

15:17:10 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

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15:18:31 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

I think we have a good sense of most of what should be done. The problem is getting it done, particularly in the context of strong resistance from the incumbents who have much to lose.

15:18:40 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

@Raymond Leury Alternate universe; a great fantasy.

15:19:17 From Samrat Bharadwaj To Everyone:

♥ David ♥ CACOR 🇮🇳 Another Good Presentation !

15:22:19 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

Replying to "Comment: Rees has be..."

@Claude Buettner I hope I can prove to you that it is not fantasy. 😊

15:22:37 From Claude Buettner To Everyone:

Reacted to "@Claude Buettner I h..." with 😄

15:23:48 From Raymond Leury To Everyone:

@Dave Dougherty That is an interesting point. I excluded that possibility because the price has been so high for the Israelis themselves.

15:31:45 From Gabriela Gref Innes To Everyone:

Thank you, David H, for your presentation...Good session!