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## **“Philosophy of the Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Future of Humankind – the Survival of Humanity”**

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### **The Abstract**

Universal upbringing, education, and life-long learning of the global community of humankind, as these best of our knowledge, are the best path for better tomorrow of humanity on the planet Earth. Of course not as it is at present, but as it should be changed with universal upbringing, education and lifelong learning of the humans for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Here we are discussing Nature, Homo sapiens, Homo urbanus and Homo slumus as the global community of humankind in total and their longevity.

The present globalization by certain indications could be the nature’s response to the present oversized and over-consuming and destroying population. It happens in the past on the Earth, and let us hopes for a better tomorrow, and let us works for it.

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## The Key-words

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## The Introduction

**The present is summary of the past, and future is unpredictable** (Ecimovic<sup>1</sup>, 2013).

According to a novelty of understanding, Nature is a part of a basic environment, which is the Universe or the Cosmos. Within it Nature exists in countless forms, dimensions and contents. It is **interdependence, interaction and co-operation** of all matter, energy, information, dimensions, light, rays, forces, powers, particles, and yet unknown contents of the Nature, which generate the basis of the life. Please see more at the Noble Prize nomination book “The Principia Nature – the Nature and Homo sapiens Global Community”, Ecimovic T., 2011, ISBN 978-961-92786-7-3 and other publications in “Bibliography”, pp. 17 – 20 of this presentation and publications from 1 to 27 out of 75. The publications are displayed in “Small Digital Reference Library” at [www.institut-climatechange.si](http://www.institut-climatechange.si).

The philosophy of sustainable development and sustainable future of humankind presents the search for a knowledge and understanding of the nature and meaning of the universe and life. Universal upbringing, education and life-long learning offers an operational mode for knowledge, and understanding that should be the most important achievements for the Homo sapiens' present civilization to survive in the 21<sup>st</sup> century and latter.

Under the progressive threat of the impact of the climate change system on the biosphere of the planet Earth, which is changing humans' environment and living conditions, our civilization has to meet the challenges and establish a path for longevity and survival.

The present global social order, life style, education, peace, respect, ethics/morality, wisdom and daily practice of humans needs to undergo a fundamental renewal to meet the needs for longevity and survival during and after the third millennium.

The only difference between the requisitely holistic<sup>2</sup> planet Earth system from the requisitely holistic star Sun system and other countless stars and planets is the unique content of the Earth together with a Homo sapiens civilization. Earth has unique characteristics, different from all countless stars and planets within the Universe as well as all of the other systems in the Universe.

Homo sapiens civilization has its home in the Biosphere of the planet Earth, which is a part of star Sun system. It does not mean that other countless planets have alike or similar civilization. Nature does not plan galaxies, stars or planets but they are result of evolutionary processes and have countless possibilities to be as they are.

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<sup>1</sup> The statement was prepared by Prof Dr Timi Ecimovic with some co-operation of Prof Emeritus Dr Dr Matjaz Mulej, University of Maribor and IRDO Institute for Development of the Social Responsibility, Maribor, Slovenia for research and understanding..

<sup>2</sup> The term »Requisitely holistic« was introduced in 1998 by Mulej and Kajzer as one of system theory's terms for better, i.e. less onesided understanding of life and people. Mostly it was used in the world of systems theory, economics: the first introduction of requisitely holistic meaning in the nature sciences was in the early 21st century by a group of scientists and researchers among whom I was one of. Actually, I have to express my thanks to Prof Emeritus Dr Dr Matjaž Mulej from the University of Maribor, Slovenia, who enlighten me with this term.

This discussion presents a contemporary scientific approach to the present *Nature, energy, drinking water, food, banking, credit and societal crisis* of humankind in 2008 – 2016, which seems to be lasting for several more years. The present civilization or global community of humankind is facing the largest complex societal crisis, which is also closely inter-related with the impact of the climate change system or evolving the planet Earth Biosphere »crisis«.

The impact of the climate change system, at last may in the long run change: biology, geography and living conditions within the biosphere, from the suitable ones of the last 12.000 years, to environment not suitable for Homo sapiens to live. It is making more complicated and complex the present social crisis. During and after 2008 we entered difficult times for humankind which is here also in 2016. Actually the beginning of the crisis is from 17<sup>th</sup> century with beginning of industrialization after humans had invented the steam engine and did not give up one-sided thinking, decision making and other contents of behavior.<sup>3</sup> The European Union joined UNO, ISO and organizations of progressive enterprises in their suggestion that social responsibility is or should be the way out of the current crisis; otherwise humankind puts its own existence in serious danger.

The corporate and individual social responsibility is a part of our society with much more importance as most humans are thinking at present. The possibility for survival is closely connected with societal methodology, technology, technique of the »Sustainable Future of Humankind« or harmony of our civilization with Nature and nature of the requisitely holistic planet Earth and Biosphere of the planet Earth. The corporate and individual social responsibility will have to play a more important part in future, for new great achievement of our civilization to overcome the crisis of living conditions within the biosphere of the planet Earth and present biosphere, societal, money-master's global and local leadership, banking, credit, energy, drinking water, and food - crisis of our global community of humankind.

## The Discussion

This presentation was prepared in co-operation with many researchers and is taking advantage of new digital books<sup>4</sup>. Our research was on longevity of humans and as path for sustainable future of humankind. »*The Sustainable Future of Humankind is a Harmonious and Complementary Coexistence of Global Community of Humankind and the Nature of the planet Earth*«.

The sustainable future of humankind is a methodology, social technology or technique coming from the sustainable development concept.

Thus it is a step ahead from a sustainable development mainly because of taking the real Nature as it is, and the nature of the planet Earth as the most important part of the solution for a survival and longevity of Homo sapiens on the planet Earth.

On 25<sup>th</sup> September 2011 in Xiamen, China the declaration "The World Thinker' Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind" "WTP – SFH" was announced and latter translated into 30+ languages, which you may see at [www.institut-climatechange.si](http://www.institut-climatechange.si) .

The declaration was a first step for the implementation of the sustainable future of humankind on the planet Earth.

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<sup>3</sup> The one-sided behavior was much less dangerous when humans very many less than today and had local impact only. In the time of the French revolution there were less than one billion people, and only three percent of them lived in towns. Now, after good two centuries there are seven billion people of which more than 50% live in towns, which is a much less nature-friendly way. The humankind's financial debts are almost three times GDP of humankind, while the humankind's debts to nature are not included in statistics.

<sup>4</sup> Our most recent book was published in December 2015 and together with other publication is listed in Bibliography from 1 – 27 at the end of presentation.

I am using modern research tools and research resulting from the system thinking, philosophy, complex problem solving, case studies, requisite holism, and operational research, global studies, and new sciences of networks, swarm research, globalization, and the traditional methods of scientific work. I am following the history of Homo sapiens civilization, and results of great human minds as much as possible. I am observing happenings and processes of the last 60 years, which are fast changing the heart of the present Homo sapiens civilization, and the quality of the environment of the Biosphere.

It is because of **interdependence, interaction and co-operation** of the planet Earth systems and larger star Sun system, galaxies and universe of which we are within the planet Earth a part, a very small one.

My<sup>5</sup> requisitely holistic approach is opening numerous blind alleys, which have been invented by humans, but harmed the Nature of the planet Earth, with which we all have to be interdependent, interacting and co-operating. The sustainability journey of our civilization is an ever-lasting epic song, and has commenced at the same time as Homo sapiens evolution, but due to historical options today it does not look good for our humanity. The sustainability has been discussed at many gatherings of humans for the last 25 years, but only recently it has gained a new challenging importance. We shall not discuss all these countless experiences, but we shall look at present and sustainability as an option for the better tomorrow and future of the global community of humankind.

As a result the sustainable future of humankind is a methodology that has a central position in my/our work. On 25<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at international gathering in Xiamen, China the declaration “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” was presented.

The responsible participants commenced forming an organization and everything needed for implementation of the work on the sustainability of humanity. It is somehow a next step or an evolution of the known “sustainable development” work, from Stockholm, Rio Summit, Rio + 10 years, and Rio + 20 years after 1992 Rio Summit international gathering. Let us present the Declaration.

The declaration was announced at the event in Xiamen, a lovely sub-tropic area in China with 3.5 million inhabitants. The event was scheduled for the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of September 2011 as the “International Collaboration Celebration, Declaration of WTP-SFH, Academic and ASRIA Awards Presentation Ceremony 2011”, taking place on the 25<sup>th</sup>, and the “First International Conference on Protection of Land and Ocean” taking place on the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2011.

The declaration in English was translated into Chinese and was prepared as the “Xiamen Declaration”, written in both Chinese and English for the first announcement. On 25<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at a Ceremony in the Xiamen International Convention Centre (Xiamen Declaration) “The World Thinkers' Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” was launched.

It is “my” agenda, “your” agenda, “our” agenda, local community agenda, regional, country, continental, UN, and Agenda of global community of humankind. Humans need interdependence, interaction and co-operation for their better tomorrow.

We think that the most important part of implementation is to educate people and to agree upon global alliance needed for information, understanding, building up processes, and evolution of global Homo sapiens from up to end of 20<sup>th</sup> century, to be fit to meet challenges of 21<sup>st</sup> century.

That is why we commenced fostering of the declaration as a promotion of the information, knowledge and understanding exchange for a better tomorrow of humanity after 21<sup>st</sup> century.

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<sup>5</sup> Better would be »Our« instead of »My«.

**»The World Thinkers' Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind«**

**DECLARATION**



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**The Declaration**

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## DECLARATION

Of

### “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind”

People throughout the world are against the culture of violence and war. They are for a culture of friendship, solidarity, tolerance and peace. (By a decision of 52/13, the decade 2001 to 2010 was unanimously proclaimed “International Decade for a Culture of Peace and non-violence to all children of the world” by the General Assembly of the United Nations.)

By: Prof. Dr. Timi Ecimovic

On 15<sup>th</sup> August 2011 the World Thinkers’ Forum, Ansted University, Sir Prof. Dr. Major Roger Haw Boon Hong, Penang, Malaysia, SEM Institute for Climate Change, Prof. Dr. Timi Ecimovic, Zg. Medosi, Korte, Slovenia, Prof. Dr. Dana Marie Barry (USA) and Organization for Protection of Children Rights, Hon. Ricaardoe Di Done, Montreal, Canada, Ambassador Dato’ Dr. Ang Ban Siong (Malaysia), Professor Tang Shui Yuan, Chairman of the “1<sup>st</sup> International Conference on Protect the Earth and Ocean” in Xiamen, China, and Dr. Garfield Brown, South Africa, proposed founding the panel as follows:

Within the World Thinkers’ Forum is an open and new working panel named: “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind.” For short it is represented by the following acronym “WTP-SFM” and has the sign displayed below.



The address for it is at Korte 124, SI 6310 Izola – Isola, Slovenia.

A long list of people of good will, academicians, scientists, politicians, workers, administration and government officials, and many others are supporting this Declaration. Among them are members of the SEM Institute for Climate Change, the Ansted University family, and honorable and other members of the World Thinkers’ Forum, etc.

The theoretic and practical background for this Declaration can be found in many works about “Sustainable Development” and “Sustainable Future of Humankind.” The trilogy, “Sustainable Future of Humankind,” Ecimovic, and many more scientists’ work during the first decade of the 21<sup>st</sup> century could serve as theoretical background. It can be seen at the following link. [www.institut-climatechange.si](http://www.institut-climatechange.si)

Members and supporters of the Declaration are free of charge members. The UN, national governments, international corporations, international institutions, national institutions, education institutions and others, are invited to co-operate on the work for the sustainable future of humankind.

The Declaration is giving rights, and is asking for individual social responsibility from members of the human global community: (7000000000+ individuals). The goal is to reach global sustainability of the global community of humankind. The global sustainability is a transition from sustainable development societal technique to the sustainable future societal technique. The UN and agencies, especially the UNEP and UNESCO, are welcome to co-operate for the common goal of sustaining the future of humankind.

Our individual lives are very short, and their value and meaning are found substantially in fact that we are integral parts of the “human project”. We must support the continuum of humankind because what we are fundamentally is human beings who are inseparable from the continuum, a continuum that includes our descendents and future generations. As human beings we are responsible for each other and for future generations.

“The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” provides a platform for people (interested in the arts, scientific & cultural activities and peace mission projects) to meet and to work together. The primary goal of the said platform is to create a level of understanding and tolerance between the various peoples of the world and to contribute to the promotion and maintenance of world peace. We welcome all individuals and groups of the world irrespective of origin, sex, language and religion. The work of “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” is based on the respect of human rights and basic liberties of all peoples of the world. This relates directly to the active participation of UNESCO’s project “Culture of Peace”.

The task of “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” is a forum for all non-governmental institutions, ministries, public offices, scientific and cultural organizations as well as institutes, diverse organizations, museums, universities, foundations, unions, associations, business organizations and other establishments. It is also for individuals who are practically, organizationally and scientifically engaged in promoting cultural activities, folk art, culture heritage and scientific activities.

Besides the working order and the activities of our world-wide organization for the practical, organizational, and above all scientific work for culture, we also have to meet a very important, social, humanistic, and cultural-political order. Many of us have learned and grown from being a new member of **“The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind”**.

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The UN and agencies, especially the UNEP and UNESCO, are welcome to co-operate for the common goal of sustaining the future of humankind. This declaration will go on to other parts of the world.

We think all members of global community of humankind have the responsibility to help when needed. Many grant foundations of Culture, Arts, and Scientific institutions (from local and international levels) will give support to the development of common interests.

We believe that “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” not only contributes to the attainment and exercise of these rights, but that multiculturalism plays a role in solving some of the problems in modern society.

The founding group of “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” has established the following categories for making “The World Thinker’s Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind.” These categories (that are listed and described below) are important for the panel to achieve its recognition at the international level.

## Categories

1. Characteristics of traditional culture
2. Virtues of traditional culture in a modern society
3. Traditional culture and cultural diversity
4. Traditional culture and rights to culture
5. Traditional culture and multiculturalism
6. Plans for the promotion of traditional culture through systematic continuing study of traditional culture, systematization of exchange of traditional culture and regional cooperation, regular conduct of a traditional culture-related forum and development of cultural industry based on traditional culture.

### **1. Characteristics of traditional culture**

A traditional culture is a way and system of life that is practiced by a people for generations, and features an eco-friendly culture where humans coexist with nature, where an individual is relatively less alienated from the others, and when the spiritual culture is pursued more than the material ones.

### **2. Virtues of traditional culture in a modern society**

Since the advent of modernization and industrialization, our modern society has faced a number of obstacles and problems such as the breakdown of ecosystems due to the indiscriminate conquests of nature, severe natural disasters, cut throat competition in the world markets, unbalanced distribution of wealth, widespread human alienation, attachment to material values at the expense of spiritual values, making it so difficult to lead a humane life. In this context, the traditional culture is of great use for solving such problems in a modern society. In particular, the Confucian cultures in East Asia think highly of ‘filial piety’ and ‘respect’ that are core values, and which are of great worth and merit to removing the distrust and enmity between generations and help recover the dignity in human beings.

### **3. Traditional culture and cultural diversity**

The traditional culture is the result of communication and interactions between human beings who have individually adapted themselves to geographical and ecological environments, best representing the individual identity and uniqueness of nations and regions. It can be therefore said that the traditional culture underlies the diversity of world and regional cultures.

### **4. Traditional culture and rights to culture**

The constituents of a nation are entitled to have a political and social life, as well as a culture life. They should have the rights to exercise the freedom to accept the past as well as the present culture. In current times, the traditional culture as identified with the past does not belong to the mainstream, therefore, making it difficult for people to appreciate it. In order to satisfy their cultural needs, cultural

policies should be set and practiced so that they may have access to traditional culture anywhere and anytime.

## **5. Traditional culture and multiculturalism**

Our contacts and interactions with cultures can make us have a better understanding of other cultures. Therefore, we get to have a better understanding of the different regions and its peoples, further aiding in attaining made and preferentially based on traditional culture. More emphasis on traditional culture and arts is especially needed so that it retains the indigenous ethos of a region.

## **6. Plans for the promotion of traditional culture**

The traditional culture has a meaningful importance as shown above, and for its conservation and promotion, some plans are proposed below. It is so recommended that governments, private groups and communities make active co-operating efforts in realizing this.

### **(I) Systematization of exchange of traditional culture and regional cooperation.**

The exchange of traditional culture has value in promoting multiculturalism. Until today, the exchanges have been made unsystematically and at random, not probably enabling people to gain easy access to other traditional cultures. In order for a community to exercise their equally cultural rights and enjoy any other traditional cultures, more exchanges and regional co-operation should be ensured institutionally. Governments, private groups and communities should pay attention to this.

### **(II) Regular conduct of a traditional culture-related forum.**

The forum should be held regularly for enhancing understanding of traditional cultures in areas, for contribution to the peace of humankind and the world at large, and for maintaining diversity of cultures worldwide, thus accepting multiculturalism, and allowing the nation and community to awake to the importance of traditional culture.

### **(III) Development of a cultural industry based on traditional culture.**

For a traditional culture to be sustainable and alive in modern living, its advantaged competitiveness should be ensured and closely adhered to the life of a community. It is also required that the cultural industry such as folk art and craft art should be developed with traditional cultural assets. The cultural industry affects modern living, and so the traditional culture, uniquely separate from other modern cultural assets, should be made to contribute to satisfying the cultural demands of community.

This Declaration is more fundamental than a mere professional product. It reflects the present endangered status of our global community of humankind, and the absolute need for a better tomorrow characterized by global environmental sustainability and knowledge. The Declaration should be the beginning of the road toward a truly sustainable future of humankind, and harmony of humankind living within the biosphere realities of the planet Earth. This should be our contribution toward the lives of our descendants. The UN and national governments have to transcend from the present, and co-operate for needed changes to sustain the future of humankind. We need a planetary perspective, planetary leadership, and planetary values.

Our present time period should be enriched with active work towards a sustainable future. Also we need skillfull, global, humankind community leadership, under preconditions of individual and collective social responsibility. We must support the accurate scientific knowledge of Nature and humanistic sciences, as well as support and promote respect, peace, morality, and wisdom.

I wish to see the global promotion of ideas from this Declaration and a sustainable future of humankind.

Prof. Dr. Timi Ecimovic

Let me continue with discussion on the roots and present of global community of humankind sustainability.

Humanity after 200.000 years of life in the biosphere of the planet Earth and the Nature have to learn about a harmonious and complementary coexistence with the Nature. Humanity's present pollution and resource depletion of biosphere could be described as: "Today humanity's overall pollution and resources depletion of the Nature of the planet Earth is higher than yesterday and growing for the last hundred years"<sup>6</sup>. The pollution by e. g. transport means system is an invention of humans for a direct pumping of poison into a breathing air, with the possibility of a self-mass destruction.

The very recent research on the basic principles of the Nature and systemic sustainable future of humankind is opening a path for sustainability of humanity and the nature of the planet Earth. The global community of humankind needs to have a long-term future, harmonious life with Nature, the nature of the planet Earth, and life with peace, respect, morality, wisdom, and sustainable future.

Commencement was the evolution of Homo sapiens some 200.000 years ago. Humans have been and are a successful species<sup>7</sup> and in some 120.000 years had inhabited almost the whole of the land environments on the planet Earth or better all inhabitable areas. People were living the life in harmony with all global and local environmental conditions of Nature and nature of the planet Earth.

73.000 plus-minus 4.000 years ago Toba volcano on the present Sumatra, Indonesia erupted (today Toba Lake). As a result of this super-eruption 6 – 10 volcano winters occurred. The global community of Homo sapiens decreased and experienced a possible extinction. At Rift Wally in East Africa a group of 10.000 to 15.000 people was a new origin of humanity.

In 1993 Ann Gibbons suggested "The Genetic Bottleneck Theory" in her article in "Science". Ramping; Self, Ambrose (1998), and together with Ramping (2000) supported this theory.

The bottleneck of human population on the planet Earth occurred some 70.000 years ago, and new rapid population increase continued from approximately 15.000 people.

The Stone age, Neolithic, Ancient Great Civilizations; China, India, Mesopotamia, Egypt and Persia to mention some, and Greeks, Romans, Germans, Slavic, Africans and other people took lead into Medieval and modern times.

After two world wars in the 20th Century the humanity was facing difficult times. Rebirth of the United Nations, evolution with innovations, research and development resulted into the present Globalization Age. A part of this is a social methodology titled "Sustainable Development", which was born as an outcome of the "Our Common Future" report 1987.

Among the first researchers of the modern era, in 1957 the British scientist **James Lovelock** in his work and later in the book "Gaia: A New Look at Life on Earth" (1979) opened new frontiers for environmental thinking and understanding of life and nature. The result of his research on the planet Earth as some living form has influenced humanity, and has been a commencement of the environmentalism. The James Lovelock work inspired **Rachel Carson**, to write the book "Silent

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<sup>6</sup> Statement by Prof. Dr. Timi Ecimovic in September 2012.

<sup>7</sup> As taught in the 19<sup>th</sup> century by Charles Robert Darwin (1809 – 1882).

Spring” (1962), and the establishment of the NGOs of environment protection as Greenpeace and others followed.

Let us continue with “**The Club of Rome**”, which is a non-profit, independent organization founded in Rome, Italy, after April 1968 gathering initiated by Hon. Aurelio Peccei, Italian industrialist, and Scottish scientist Alexander King. The membership includes up to 100 members from the science, politics, economics and culture individuals recognized for their work.

Their first and the most known report “The Limits to Growth” was published in 1972. Actually it is dealing with global studies, system thinking, and holistic approach to the global problems of global community of humankind and the Nature.

With the dawn of the third millennium their activities followed the global problems of humankind and with a reconstructed organization they became an important international club working for a better tomorrow of humanity. Their activities are coordinated by: International Centre of the Club of Rome at Winterthur, Switzerland, and European Support Centre in Vienna, Austria.

“**Stockholm – 72**” was the first UN conference on the Environment held in Stockholm, Sweden, in 1972. The Stockholm Declaration and the Stockholm Action Plan have been adopted. The main result of the Stockholm – 72 was establishment of the UN Environment Programme – UNEP.

The UN World Commission on Environment and Development submitted the report “**Our Common Future**” or “**G. H. Brundtland Report**” to the UN General Assembly in 1987, maybe the best report ever presented at the highest international political institution of present humankind.

1987 the term - “**Sustainable Development**” - was introduced by a report “Our Common Future” or “G. H. Brundtland Report” from The World Commission on Environment and Development to the General Assembly of the United Nations. “Our Common Future” report had strong impact onto the global society.

The definition in it was stated as: “**Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs**”. It is a very noble, humanitarian, cosmopolitan, global goal, which after it had been invented was generally misused by countless politicians, bureaucrats and people of individual feelings and not humanitarian quality, knowledge or morality and wisdom.

Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland talking on report stated: “This commission’s report, Our Common Future, contains a message of hope and opportunity”.

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> UN Conference on the Environment and Development CED-2, Rio de Janeiro 1992 or Rio Summit** (the second after Stockholm 1972) was attended by representatives from 179 countries. A huge document was approved; Agenda for Change and Agenda 21 were adopted. A number of documents were approved, but never implemented.

**10 years after Rio at World Summit on Sustainable Development**, August – September 2002, Johannesburg, South Africa, there was an international gathering without visible positive result of co-habitation of the global community of humankind and the Biosphere of the planet Earth. Somehow it is how we have come to 2013 after announcement of “The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” or “The Xiamen Declaration”.

**20 years after Rio** – Rio + 20 international gathering in Rio de Janeiro, 2012, was just continuity of talks directed by 1% and for remaining 99% of global community of humankind?

In **2009 the conference in Copenhagen**, which was announced to produce the follow up of the Kyoto Protocol of 1997, agreed upon by the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), appeared to be total flop. Moreover, the failure was total disruption of many years of efforts and has not yet been overcome by international political institutions.

At Xiamen, China, on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2011 at gala event the declaration **“The World Thinkers’ Panel on the Sustainable Future of Humankind” “WTP-SFH”** was announced as a next possible step forward after the sustainable development social technique, which has not got well around the global community of humankind.

**The Sustainable Future of Humankind** is societal methodology, concept, technique and technology for needed change of global community of humankind survival under challenging condition at the Nature of the planet Earth in 21<sup>st</sup> century.

It is an alternative, whose short description could be as: **»The Sustainable Future of Humankind is a Harmonious and Complementary Coexistence of Global Community of Humankind and the Nature of the planet Earth”<sup>8</sup>**, transcendence from the sustainable development to sustainable future it is a new approach for a better tomorrow of humanity, because it is much more requisitely holistic.

Our past and present are reason for needed change. As every living creature within the Biosphere of the planet Earth, also all 7 billion + members of global community of humankind have to comply with living conditions offered by the nature system of the planet Earth.

The Sustainable Future of Humankind is a renewal of Sustainable Development and Agenda 21 Processes adjusted to the needs of 21<sup>st</sup> century.

There are a number of issues which are preoccupying human society – The Monster Master Money Leadership in global and local communities; The Basic Land, Water and Air Environments or Biosphere; Human Eco Sphere; The Local, National, Regional and Global Societal Structures; Scientific and Applied Research; Individual and Corporate Social Responsibility; Security, Military and War Issues; Agriculture and Food Supply Situation; The Drinking Water Supply; The Climate Change System Impact; The Protection of Nature, Space and Environment Happenings; Understanding of the Nature System, Universe System, Milky Way Galaxy System, Solar System and Planet Earth System; Understanding of the Nature of the Planet Earth System; The Biosphere and Impact of the Global Community of Humankind; The Education System; and many more aspects of human life.

I was and I am researching a philosophy of them, and the long-term survival of the humanity on the planet Earth.

Due to the population explosion, and considering historical, philosophical, scientific, industrial, war and armaments, societal, urban constructions and habitations of Homo urbanus<sup>9</sup> and Homo slumus<sup>10</sup>, and other respected heritages, I took a close look at Education and the Teaching of humans from birth through their whole life-span.

Very most important reason is the lack of the mother’s ability to transfer the needed knowledge and experience to her children from the birth to the school age. In a modern society within the human eco

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<sup>8</sup> »The Sustainable Future of Humankind is a Harmonious and Complementary Coexistence of Global Community of Humankind and The Nature of the planet Earth«, and it is short definition of very large, global, and complex societal methodology, technique, technology or qualitative change in the human society towards peace, respect, morality, wisdom and sustainability needed for long-term existence of humans on the planet Earth.

<sup>9</sup> Homo urbanus is the inhabitant of the constructed urban areas. By 2040 approximately 5,6 billion people will be Homo urbanus.

<sup>10</sup> Homo slumus is the inhabitant of the slums or barracks centres. By 2012 the number of Homo slumus are estimated at 2 billion, and it is included as part of Homo urbanus.

sphere, mothers may lack the time to properly educate their new-born children until their age to attend school. The mother is the first educator of a new-born child. If a mother does not know that she has to educate her children, then she does not transfer the knowledge or is not able to do so. This is a common occurrence in urban societies, but is less common in rural areas.

This is where the goal of our education system and method has failed – the method of universal education. The goal of the education system is related to the conservation of the individual, society, humanity and the Nature system. In order to achieve this, the education system should aim toward universal human formation or instruction. The method of the education system is related to knowledge of the laws and principles of the universe – **The Nature system**, allowing us to synthesize and systematize human knowledge, so that we can transfer the universal knowledge or instruction of one generation to another.

In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, Charles Robert Darwin (1809 – 1882) stated that only successful creatures are living within the Nature. The majority of humans even today do not understand this. Also many more researchers after Darwin were experiencing and researching about the complexity of the life system on the planet Earth. However, improvement of the schooling curricula did not follow. “Life as usual” 1 % against 99 % of humans on the planet Earth has been the formula for “success”.

Whether it is “a success” is questionable for 99 % of the population but for the rest - 1 % - it is very profitable. I think that global community of humankind is on the wrong path or even on a suicidal path. The proof of it is the history of Easter Island’s civilization in the middle ages. Before the end of the last representatives of the entire civilization, a common activity was cannibalism. Cannibalism is presently repeated in social and economic human eco spheres.

Many people are researching the human sciences but not many of them are reporting on the failure of the education system.

We do not consider this to be adequate for the time we are living and experiencing. It is more important because at present we have something like over 4 billion people as urban people (Homo urbanus) and over two billion slums, favelas, barracks people (Homo slumus).

We wish to see a better education system based upon Universal Upbringing, Education and Life-long Learning.

To achieve this improvement of humankind, it is necessary to build the path; the path is the method of universal human formation or instruction.

The globalization ages we are at this very same present is the most complex society and the Nature phenomenon ever developed since the birth of humankind. It is a systemic process of the global community of humankind moving according to the Nature principles and under interpretation of 7000000000+ individual representatives of Homo sapiens global community.

**The Globalization** is defined in the “**Global Studies Encyclopedia**”, Mazour, Chumakov, and Gay, 2003: »**Globalization is amalgamation of national economies into united world system based on rapid capital movement, new informational openness of the world, technological revolution, adherence of the developed industrialized countries to liberalization of the movement of goods and capital, communicational integration, planetary scientific revolution, international social movements, new means of transportation, telecommunication technologies and internationalized education**«.

Unfortunately, the monopolization of the entire humankind to the benefit of one single percent must be added to the above definition; so must the level of debts that is globally close to three times volume of

the world's global GDP (400% in Japan, about 220% in USA and China, etc.); only 15% of humans have more than six US\$ per day, while 85% have less; 85 persons own as much as three and half billion persons combined; the nature of the planet Earth is badly damaged; its natural resources are over-used; humankind's living conditions in its biosphere are changing. That is a frame within which the global community of humankind is wandering at present. We think it is because of the "Money Master Monster Leadership" of humans.

It is hard to accept the truth, which is coming from our research.<sup>11</sup> It is hard to accept the truth without proper universal upbringing, education and life-long learning of humans for better understanding and to have their life within the limits of Nature. The global community of humankind entered the 21<sup>st</sup> century in bad shape. The present society is wandering to find its proper path to assure a future for our descendants.

Discussing humans' management of the planet Earth we have to say it is **impossible**, because all our technologies have been found to be a threat for our environment – quality of biosphere, in time. Very nice description of the technology impact was stated in the book of Christopher Weramantry "Nuclear Weapons and Scientific Responsibility", ISBN: 955-599-170-07, 1987, He reported about the ability of humankind to destroy the planet Earth with its nuclear weaponry was reached by the end of the 1960s.

The Nature – interpretation of the form and content of the Nature by humankind has got new turn. First the understanding of humanistic sciences was questionable due to subjectivity of interpretation. Since commencement of the humankind it was newer content of the nature under research but form. So it is even today, and we think it is time to look and research deeply the content of the Nature.

**The leadership of global community of humankind** – at present we have chaos of national and international leaders, of whom there is no one able to handle global issues successfully. Even worse, the present humankind has leadership of the "**money master monster**" system including national, international, and all other forms of money, banking, insurance and other financial activities. Real value of the money is many fold artificially increased, and people handling money issues are not able to put it into reality of the present.

Self-destruction of global community of humankind under leadership of master monster money system is just a matter of time.

Something is common to all self-destruction issues of humankind interference with the nature of the planet Earth it is a lack of knowledge of immediate, medium, and long-time consequences.

The education of the new human requires knowledge of the same human this means a new anthropological philosophy. Human has to be understood in its biological, social and spiritual, as an inseparable unit. The biological needs food in calories, workforce needs, social, and spiritual needs and the energy of understanding and wisdom. Wisdom is the integration of man to the universe. Therefore, education is a way of integrating the individual to the family, society, nature and the universe.

## The Conclusions

- The present representatives of the global community of humankind need understanding of the present and the possibilities for a better future.

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<sup>11</sup> By the end of 2015 our international informal group of researchers and scientists was closing its research on Nature. As a result the digital book "Nature 2015 (Anthology 3)", Ecimovic, Haw et al, ISBN 978-961-92378-8-5 (pdf) was published; results of our research are there. Please see [www.institut-climatechange.si](http://www.institut-climatechange.si)

- The important content is to prepare and work on “Universal Upbringing, Education and Long-life Learning” concept to enable the coming generations of humans to understand their present and their future needs.
- To the best of my/our knowledge we/I are/am recommending universal upbringing, education and life-long learning to support humanity on the road of the sustainable development to the sustainable future.
- My/our understanding of the sustainable future or sustainability of humanity in a short definition is: “*The Sustainable Future of Humankind is a Harmonious and Complementary Coexistence of Global Community of Humankind and the other Nature of the planet Earth*”.
- Our star Sun and our planet Earth as requisitely holistic systems are the Nature’s entity existing with or without humanity.
- The single human civilization on the planet Earth needs one single and socially responsible humankind’s government to govern the global community of humankind as best as possible, i.e. requisitely holistically rather than one-sidedly like so far and now.
- Human affairs could be governed only by humans and the synergy of achievements should allow longevity of Homo sapiens global community.

## The Recommendations

First I am recommending “*One planet, one socially responsible government*”. It is the first recommendation. Of course, The Constitution of the planet Earth Federation is first and the planet Earth Parliament and Government follow in line, after ratification of The Constitution of the planet Earth Federation.

The second recommendation is a new approach to the *social order*, which has to reflect the present experience, and the establishment of a *new contract for humankind* living on the planet Earth. The goal is to prevent explosion of humankind reproduction, enforce individual social responsibility, peace, respect, reason, morality, wisdom and sustainable future amongst peoples of the Earth, enforces (a globally holistic!) law and order, and with skillful governing allow the coming generations to live and have sustainable future<sup>12</sup> on the planet Earth.

Third recommendation is *redirections of scientific work* from innovations of war and armaments techniques and technologies for destruction, too narrowly market and money-oriented synthetic chemicals technologies, too narrowly market and money-oriented energy technologies, too narrowly market and money-oriented genetic manipulation techniques, societal management based on money monster - the master practices, etc., to discovering viable global systems of nature, space, the environment and universe or cosmos, as essential elements of knowledge needed for education, survival, and sustainable future or harmonious and complementary coexistence of our civilization with the Nature.

Ending I wish to global community of humankind a rebirth of individual social responsibility of humans, peace, respect, reason, morality, wisdom and sustainable future.

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