

# Real Hope

We must meet the Global Challenge. It won't go away. But there are reasons for hope.

In human history:

- We've faced great challenges before.
- We weren't always profit-driven.
- We've lived frugal lives with joy.
- We knew the natural world to be sacred.

As we face the Global Challenge today:

- We can meet the climate crisis with deep adaptation.
- We can prioritize the most vulnerable people and communities.
- We can live simply and build resilience in all its forms.
- We can work on all the interconnected global stressors.

It won't be easy. The losses of the natural world and the suffering of humanity will be immense. Our work is to save what can be saved. Our purpose is to live in harmony with nature and each other. For our children. And all life on earth. For today. And for all the tomorrows.



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## Facing The Global Challenge Together

# The Global Challenge

The Global Challenge is the sum total of all stressors affecting planetary health. It's an unprecedented global systems problem. We need to understand it in order to respond as wisely as possible.

## BIOSPHERE STRESSORS

- Climate crisis, sea-level rise & changing weather
- Biodiversity loss rate 10,000 times normal
- Toxicification of all life & insect Armageddon
- Ocean acidification, dead zones, plastics & depletion of fish & plankton
- Declining & polluted fresh water
- Depleted top soils, vanishing forests
- Ozone depletion
- Many more

## SOCIETAL STRESSORS

- Poverty, racism & injustice
- Unsustainable economic growth & debt
- Vulnerable supply chains & power grids
- Population overshoot, refugee crisis & resource competition
- Pandemic diseases & fertility decline
- Dysfunctional geopolitics & failing states
- War, terrorism & nuclear threats
- Many more



## TECHNOLOGY STRESSORS

- Electromagnetic frequency (EMF) pollution
- Uncontrolled technologies: artificial intelligence (AI), biotech, nanotech & robotics
- Displacement of people by robots & AI
- Cyber threats
- Big Data threats to democracy, privacy & human rights
- Modification of the human germline and bifurcation of the population
- Many more

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*The future is already here.  
It's just not very evenly  
distributed.*

William Gibson, Science Fiction Author

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# Our Work

## OUR GOALS

- Empower people, projects & practices to meet the Global Challenge
- Welcome diverse views across the global spectrum
- Encourage respectful dialogues across regions & cultures
- Inspire creative responses to the Global Challenge

## OUR PRACTICES

- Build a shared learning community
- Promote resilience at all levels
- Envision the institutions we need
- Strengthen key networks
- Engage partners in civil society, academia, media, business & government
- Affirm psychological & spiritual resources
- Sustain hope

## IF WE PREPARE

If we prepare, future shocks will be more survivable. We need resilience for:

- Ourselves & our families
- Our communities & networks
- The most vulnerable near & far
- Governments, businesses & civil society

All four forms of resilience are connected.