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Climate Samizdat



Ideas, Strategy and Tactics

Publisher's Letter

Saving the world from climate disaster will be up to us. World leaders—wealthy businessmen, institutional leaders, politicians and authorities everywhere have failed decisively and catastrophically to do the responsible things. They were warned decades ago by climate scientists to slash CO2 emissions and take other measures to prevent the droughts, storms, heatwaves and increasingly severe weather events that we see daily.

They have failed and must be removed from any positions of power or influence. And if they can't be immediately formally removed, they must be made impotent by our complete and utter refusal to obey their rules, regulations and orders.

We—the sane people of Earth—have remained silent for too long. We have waited—in vain—for policymakers to take strong and meaningful action as required by Nature Herself to preserve the habitability of our planet. We will be silent no more.

Finally, we will awaken and act because we love our planet and our children and our species and the other species that share this planet with us too much to let fools destroy it all. We are awakening not only to the dire situation but to our, until now, unused power to force the changes we need. We understand that power comes not from "great leaders" but from ordinary people. The power lies with the people who work and produce everything, even as most of the fruits of our labor are seized and controlled by others. Those others are generally dictators, ideologues, tycoons, financiers and other criminally insane morons.

We've put up with them too long and now we are done with them. Their power only consists of obedience to them by other fools. Too often, we ourselves have been the fools. But now we, including those who work for them directly, those who wield guns for them, those who put old impotent men in a position to do so much damage...well, those of us who were foolish in the past will soon switch sides. We will not fight for dictators or ideologies or even "elected" leaders. We will fight for ourselves, our children, each other, and our common Earth.

The booklet you are holding in your hands is a conduit for communicating and sharing ideas, for clarifying strategies and for promoting ACTION. These are more than words. We want YOU to share your ideas within these covers. Download and print and

What Can Be Done?

One thing that holds us back is that we do not know what to do. And we see the flaws in every tactic and discount the value of every tactic. We have concluded: we don't know what to do and nothing will work.

This is a false conclusion. I can say this without a doubt because throughout history ordinary people have repeatedly found tactics that worked. Often it's not one tactic, but a series of them. In our current situation, I envision a huge multiplicity of tactics taking place simultaneously in widely dispersed locations. Each action individually is small and by itself, not very effective. The sheer volume and variety of tactics, and the never-ending onslaught of them is—in my view—how we will win.

But we must take action, inspire others to do the same, and never stop until we achieve complete success.

I've proposed and will be holding small online events—strategy sessions and social events called Virtual Climate Parties. I will begin publishing and distributing climate samizdat. I will invent and promote other tactics and encourage others to do the same. For example, I envision regular silent protests—sunset climate vigils—at various landmarks worldwide. For example, at the Eiffel Tower, the Alamo, the Love sculpture in Philadelphia. Your own local and perhaps less famous landmark.

These tactics, along with the number of activists will multiply. This is our task in 2023 and beyond. This is for us, for our children, for generations unborn. This is for more than survival. It's for a new culture of love and respect and caring and realism. Yes, realism! Although many will dismiss us as unrealistic dreamers, it's those who think they can defy Nature, defy physics and chemistry and biology, who are living in the dream world. It's the climate abusers and their apologists who are woefully unrealistic.

That's why I call us the Saners. We are in touch with reality. We face it square on. The authorities are in denial, believe in nonsense, and behave in a way that guarantees their own doom and the suffering of their own children. In fact, the only hope for the authorities is that WE STOP THEM and save them from their own foolishness.

We will do exactly that. In 2023. Happy New Year.

their senses and now we can see that **they never will**. We see that our survival is up to us. But we don't know what to do—yet. We have no vision and we feel powerless.

We Aren't the First To Feel Powerless

In the U.K., in the 1600s, people were tired, overworked, underpaid and ridiculed by their own government. Only a small number of propertied men could even vote, much less be actually heard and taken into account by policymakers. That's when the Chartists arrived, a small group of people uniting working people through a petition that they would present to the House of Commons. This united working people to fight for suffrage, and triggered a movement that eventually succeeded.

In the Soviet Union, the government seemed all-powerful and brutally suppressed opposition. Open revolt was rare because it was so difficult. But quietly, through self-published booklets—samizdat—ideas were formulated and circulated. The crimes of the regime were recorded and shared. The lies that sustained the Soviet Union were exposed, weakened and ultimately taken seriously and believed by nobody. And, ultimately, the people of the Soviet Union removed the system and the leaders who held them back.

We are in a bigger crisis, a worldwide crisis. But the body of latent revolutionaries is huge. It potentially includes all parents that love their children. And relatives, as well, who love their nieces and nephews. It could mobilize nearly every sane person on Earth—people who understand the climate threat, the threat that they increasingly see and experience personally. It includes so many people that the climate revolt, this battle for our children, could easily overwhelm world leaders—politicians, businessmen, dictators, tycoons—and send them all packing into a sudden forced retirement.

It is my intention to awaken this latent movement so they—and we—can ensure that our species and others who share the planet with us survive and rebuild, as well as we can, a safer and kinder and ecologically sustainable civilization. I want to be part of the small group that lights the spark. I feel certain that the dry leaves of anger and anxiety and love are already present.

I want to make this happen in 2023. Because we are running out of time and there is no other way.

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You are cordially invited to work with us.

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Not News

Since the effects of climate abuse are simple chemistry and were foreseen by climate scientists decades ago, extreme weather events and the like are not "news." They are expected consequences of the CO2 emissions that are inevitable as long as we use the fossil fuels which oil profiteers and their government accomplices make sure is the only energy generally available to us. Brief descriptions of this non-news appears here. You can report on non-news via the Climate Samizdat comment form at aclimatedeclaration.com/samizdat.

PAKISTAN - SUMMER 2022

With temperatures exceeding 104 degrees Fahrenheit for long periods of time, and topping 122 degree Fahrenheit in one location, Pakistan was hit by a monsoon that put

a third of the country under water. More than 1,500 people died and 1.8 million homes were damaged or destroyed. Massive destruction of livestock guaranteed food shortages in the near future. **Pakistan itself continues to take no meaningful action to reduce CO2 emissions.** See: <https://www.macrotrends.net/countries/PAK/pakistan/carbon-co2-emissions>

OIL AND GAS METHANE EMISSIONS

Methane emissions are many times even deadlier than CO2 emissions. A study published in Science in September 2022 revealed that methane emissions by the oil and gas industry are vastly greater than previously reported. Reports by the industry itself were...les than honest.

WORST DROUGHT IN EUROPE IN 500 YEARS

In France, historic heatwaves and deadly drought put 2/3 of the country on crisis alert. Corn harvest declined by more than 18% and milk shortages were expected.

In Germany, the low water level of the Rhine hampered shipping. More than half the country was affected by serious drought. The number of forest fires in the state of Brandenburg tripled over the previous year.

The drought created serious problems in Italy, Romania, Serbia, Greece, Spain, Portugal and the United Kingdom.

WORLD SCIENTISTS' WARNING ABOUT CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Although they'd been warning us for decades, a clear and explicit warning appeared in the academic journal BioScience on December 12, 2022 describing the situation on planet Earth as "code red." This article appeared on the 30th anniversary of the world scientists original warning called "World's Scientists' Warning to Humanity" which appears in 1992 and was signed by 1,700 scientists. The new article cites how the crisis has worsened severely in the decades between warnings. As noted repeatedly in this samizdat, leaders and authorities everywhere have failed catastrophically and consistently and are unfit to be in charge of anything at all.

Feature

2023: The Year of the Saners and the Climate Revolt

2023 will be a turning point for the climate, for our species and for our planet. In 2022, it became brutally clear where we are headed. Although we'd been warned by climate scientists for decades, the Earth itself showed everyone unequivocally that climate abuse has consequences, and we ignore those consequences at our peril.

Superficially, not much seemed to change. The status quo appeared to hold everywhere. Climate abusing governments and corporations and tycoons continued as before. This was true in the United States, in China, in Russia, in U.K., in India, in Australia, in continental Europe, in Japan. Pretty much everywhere.

The standard excuses (and some slight variations) were rolled out by media, PR flacks, politicians and business "leaders." And objectors were mostly visible in the actions of what appeared to be fringe groups like Just Stop Oil. We would continue to wait for our leaders to actually do something meaningful. Or believe their lies when they say they are doing something to preserve the Earth's climate.

All the while, physics and chemistry and biology continue to operate as normal, climate collapse accelerates and clueless authorities continue their unprecedented planet-wide murder/suicide. It doesn't look good.

Below the Surface

Things that are hard to see do still exist. In this case, it's the fear and anger and concern and anxiety and desperate need to save the climate and our children. People FEEL this. Billions of people. Everywhere on the planet. **Loving and caring for children is built into human evolution.** It's the rock solid base of our nature, an evolutionary necessity without which there would be no humans.

It's not just a superficial cultivated characteristic, like **limitless greed** which is merely a cultural/political/economic artifact created and sustained by authorities—very stupid and short-sighted authorities.

All of this anxiety, and fear, and love is churning just below the surface. It's not new. It's been going on for years. Decades. We've been waiting for the authorities to come to