

PREFACE

This book describes why the concept of sustainable development needs to be consigned to history. This flies in the face of current, received wisdom. But it has to be said nonetheless. Using examples from around the world, the author will demonstrate that so-called sustainable development has simply been a cul-de-sac, condemning millions to continuing extreme poverty.

This book will explore the changes necessary for a more just and equitable economic and societal model with planetary limits at its core, and furthering the resilience of communities, from small tribal units to megacities and to countries. These changes will reflect the fundamental problem of basing global governance on weak and/or mediocre national governments worldwide, in the face of an ever-growing population with insatiable appetites.

Yet it is not simply a planetary calamity, it could be a time of opportunity, a time for innovation and above all a time for real collaboration between governments and people.

It is all about choice. OUR choice...

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