## Coaching Ourselves: How Peer-Learning Empowers Managers and Workers to Achieve Climate Solutions

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#### **Symposium Agenda**



SECTION	TIME	ELAPSED TIME
INTRODUCTION (Jennifer)	8:00-8:05	5 mins
EN-ROADS & CLIMATE LEADERSHIP (Petra)	8:06-8:20	20 mins
COACHING OURSELVES (Henry & Kara)	8:21-8:36	36 mins
UN PRME (Mette) INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS (Marc) CLIMATE LEADERSHIP IN AFRICA (Sherwat) REBALANCING SOCIETY (Henry)	8:37-8:53	53 mins
PANEL DISCUSSION TIME (All)	8:54-9:20	80 mins
ACTION PLANNING & RESOURCES (Jennifer & Petra)	9:21-9:30	90 mins

#### **En-Roads & Climate Leadership**

Dr Petra Molthan-Hill, Nottingham Business School, Nottingham Trent University, UK





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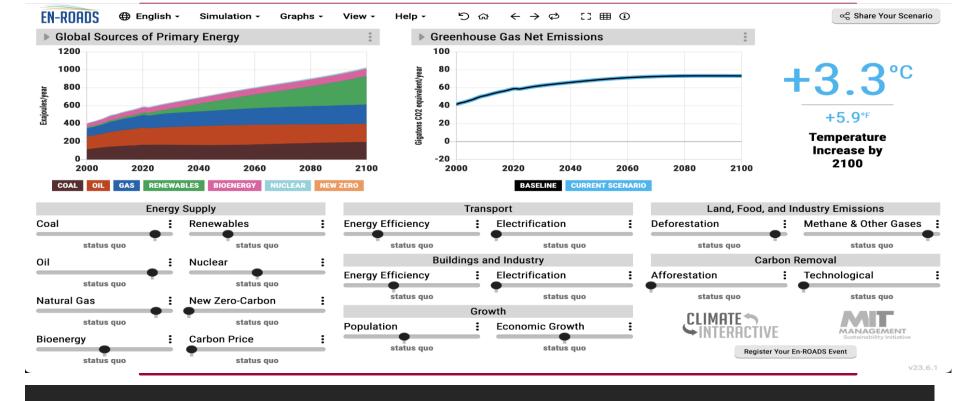
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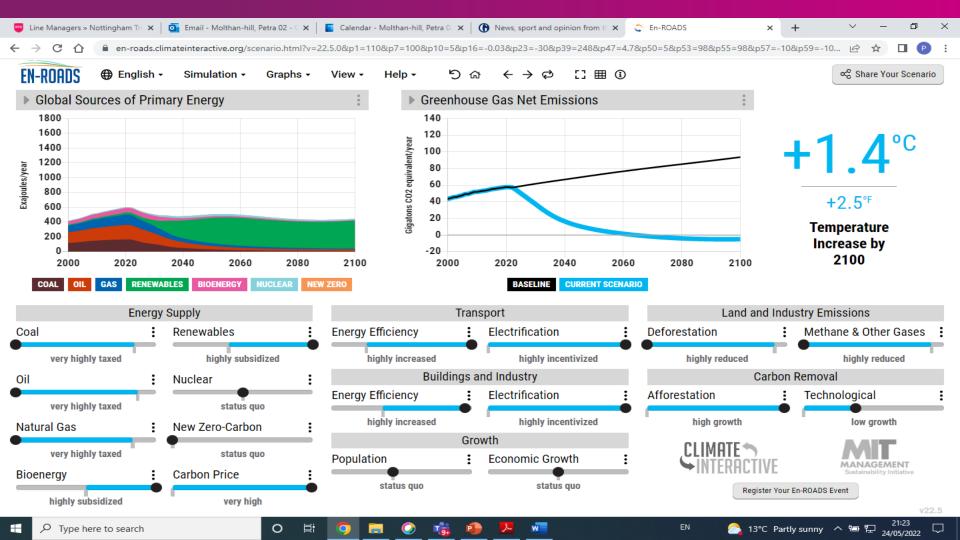
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Our key challenge: How to get to 1.5°C? Activity

**En-ROADS** is a cutting-edge simulation model used to test climate solutions and generate climate scenarios for the future.



#### **Solutions from En-ROADS**



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- Big changes will be achieved by:
- Increasing energy efficiency and electrification in transport, buildings and industry.
- Reducing Methane e.g. by reducing food waste.
- Increasing natural carbon capture as much as possible, including stopping deforestation and increasing afforestation.
- Agreeing on a carbon price.
- CLIMATE LITERACY

#### So one solution is to buy electric cars?!

#### To travel 412 miles or 663 km

- ➤ Bike 30 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e
- ➤ Coach 40 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e
- ➤ Train 64 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e
- ➤ Small electric car (driver only) 148 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e
- ➤ Small efficient petrol car (driver) 237 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e
- ➤ Plane 368 kg CO<sub>2</sub>e
- ➤ Large SUV (driver only) 1.02 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e

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Embodied carbon of **25 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>e** Range Rover Sport HSE (Calculation by Mike Berners-Lee (2020) *How bad are bananas?* Page 145)

High emitting countries: Canada uses **15.50 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions** per capita (EU 6.42; US 15.24)

Low emitting countries: Bangladesh at **0.51 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions** per capita (Brazil 2.04; Kenya 0.36)

#### **Solutions:**

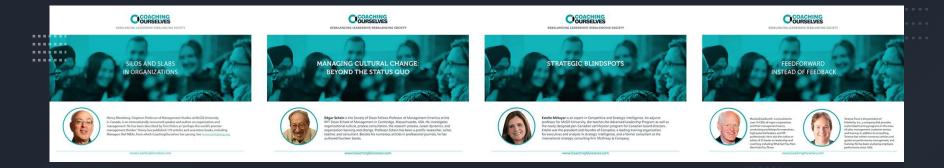
- Buy SMALL electric car!
- Replace car with bicycle or/and public transport
- Car Sharing
- Research needed: Improve carbon accounting for electric cars; Climate communication; Climate Literacy Training

#### **COACHING OURSELVES**

Ms. **Kara Johnston**, Head of Product Development/Editor, CoachingOurselves Inc., Dr **Henry Mintzberg**, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, and Co-founder of CoachingOurselves Inc.

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#### CoachingOurselves

- Co-founded by Professor Henry Mintzberg & Phil LeNir
- Goal -> "change the practice of management"
- Based on the philosophy of the IMPM (International Masters in Practicing Management) and "Rebalancing Society"
- Small groups of employees, live or virtual, for selfdirected or facilitated learning and insight sharing
- Library of ~100 90-min. peer learning discussion guides
- Collaboration with 60+ management & business school thinkers across the globe
- Flexible



#### **TOPICS** SHOW TOPICS FOR: ☐ First Line Managers & Leaders □ Individual Contributors/Team members Middle Managers Senior Managers CATEGORIES Show All Communicating More Effectively O Developing the Organization O Diversity & Inclusion <u>Driving Change</u> O Engaging People O Establishing Strategy Fortifying Culture O Foundations of Management O Higher Purposes Innovating Leadership O Practical Tools and Skills O Strengthening Teams O Wisdom: Beyond knowledge AUTHORS Nancy Adler Marilyn Aitkenhead Michael Beer ☐ Frederick Bird OTHERS □ John Boudreau ☐ Martin Brigham

#### A CULTURE OF OPENNESS: A LEADERSHIP OF HEALTH ACCOUNTABILITY: IT'S A TRICKY WORLD THE 21ST CENTURY AND WELLNESS WORKPLACE **ANALYZING EMPLOYEE** APPRECIATIVE INQUIRY: AWARENESS-BASED SYSTEMS CHANGE: PERFORMANCE DISCOVERING THE BEST OF WHAT IS PLANTING SEEDS FOR CHANGE BEING A CATALYTIC LEADER BEYOND BICKERING BEYOND BULLYING **BUILDING PURPOSE IN LIFE BUILDING RESILIENCE: CANDID CONVERSATIONS** AND WORK TAKING CARE OF OURSELVES AND OTHERS THROUGH CRISIS AND BEYOND CAREER ANCHORS **CHANGING THINGS: WHAT CLIMATE ACTIONS FOR** AND HOW EVERY EMPLOYEE COACHING AND MENTORING CONTROL THROUGH CRAFTING STRATEGY **DECISION MAKING**



# GROUP PROCESS



Broaden knowledge through expert content



Gain confidence in voicing unique perspective through reflection and dialogue



Seek understanding why perspectives might differ



Explore how these diverse perspectives may be complimentary and creative



Increasingly attune to one another



Gain courage in taking action, individually and together



#### **UN PRME**

Dr Mette Morsing, Head of UN Principles of Responsible Management Education, USA



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# We know that EDUCATION is #1 priority for SDG transformation But, business school professors, are we coaching ourselves? Are we educating the educators?

Six SDG Transformations needed to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), calling for deep transformations in every country that will require complementary actions by governments, civil society, science and business.

- (1) EDUCATION, GENDER, EQUALITY
- (2) health, well-being and demography
- (3) energy decarbonization and sustainable industry
- (4) sustainable food, land, water and oceans
- (5) sustainable cities and communities
- (6) digital revolution for sustainable development

(Source: Sachs, Schmidt-Traub, Mazzucato, Messner, Nakicenovic, N., & Rockström, J. (2019). Six transformations to achieve the sustainable development goals. *Nature sustainability*, 2(9), 805-814)





















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- Join our Working Group as a trainer when you get your certificate – send us your photo and a short profile
- Share your research in a webinar





#### 1 in 3

= 30% of the world's higher education students study business, management, law and economics

- = <u>70 million graduates per year with a degree making business</u> the globally largest field of higher education study
  - far beyond the other sciences (natural, engineering, technical, humanistic, etc.)

(Source: UNESCO: <a href="http://data.uis.unesco.org/">http://data.uis.unesco.org/</a> - go to Education --> Other policy relevant indicators --> Percentage of graduates by field of study. Then you select the different fields)

## Coaching Ourselves: An Agenda for (CC) Climate Change into Management Education







CC in Curriculum Change

CC in Skillset Development

CC in Practical Relevance

CC in Global Impact

































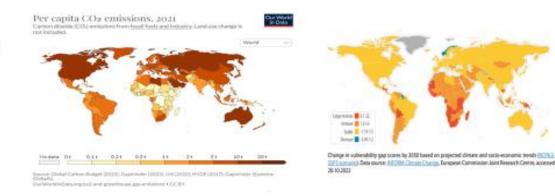


# CO-CREATING CLIMATE SOLUTIONS IN AFRICA WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Dr Marcellus Mbah, University of Manchester, UK



The paradox: Africa contributes the least carbon emissions and yet is the most vulnerable continent to the adverse effects of climate change









- "Indigenous peoples are among the first to face the direct consequences of climate change, due to their dependence upon, and close relationship, with the environment and its resources" (UN, 2008, p.5)
- In 2020, there was a call from the System-Wide Action Plan on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (SWAP) on building an inclusive, sustainable and resilient future with Indigenous peoples (UN, 2020, p.1)
- African Union Climate Change and Resilient Development Strategy and Action Plan (2022-2032) highlighted the need to enhance methodologies for combining trusted Indigenous and scientific knowledge to generate relevant climate information.

# Knowledge cocreation with Indigenous peoples as equals or peers

- Indigenous Peoples have valid and tested contributions to make to sustainability
- For instance, "they have successfully preserved biodiversity and created sophisticated food systems that generate food for communities for generations" (FAO, 2021, p. 6).
- Can be unravelled in the African philosophy of UBUNTU that highlights shared solidarity.
- > No hegemony of knowledge
- > Can find expressions in storytelling, yarning circles or symbols



#### **CLIMATE LEADERSHIP IN AFRICA**

Dr **Sherwat Elwan Ibrahim**, American University Cairo, Egypt



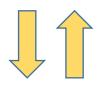
**The Paradox:** Climate Action and Sustainability call for holistic systemic approaches, while businesses and capital are fragmented and informal in Africa





- There are many different development pathways for Africa, and each has different implications for the climate
  - Scenario based Energy transition modelling studies are limited and it is difficult given the African development ambitions
  - Modelling for consumption targets based on Africa's historically low economic development and electricity demand dynamics, could lock the continent in a low-ambition target
- Tackling climate change while promoting socio-economic development in Africa
  - Just Transition
  - Mitigation versus Adaptation agenda and finance
  - Diverse continent; Diverse natural resources and potentials
  - Low levels of industrialization and structural transformation shifts towards services; Tourism, Fintech, Edutech, Healthtech, Agriculture..., etc.

#### We need both



#### **Top Down System Thinking:**

- Modelling energy transitions with social and political considerations
- Strategic technological solutions and large capital investments
- Government; Policy and Regulation and Action
   Bottom up Collaborations with SME's & Informal sector
- Local Entrepreneurial solutions; On the ground practical solutions.
- Understand that not everything is scalable;
   Context is key for climate.
- Reinforce what is already good in the African ways; frugality, circularity, indigenous wisdom, social solidarity, community based solutions

#### We Need to Unpack Impact

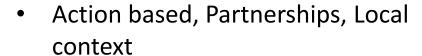


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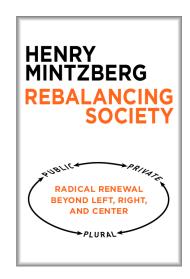
- Committed resources, dedicated team members, regular meetings, Calendar of events
- Research, Classroom, Events, Entrepreneurship, & Careers





#### REBALANCING SOCIETY

Dr **Henry Mintzberg**, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, and Co-founder of CoachingOurselves Inc.



#### PANELISTS' DISCUSSION

#### **INTEGRATION QUESTIONS**

- What is the key insight about peer-learning you have from your primary organization? How does this relate to climate action?
- If you could have leaders/managers make one change to support climate action in their organizations and society, what would you advocate for and why?
- How should the academic community help organizations and society, including the Global South, achieve climate solutions?

#### **ACTION PLANS & RESOURCES**

## **CoachingOurselves Topic: Climate Actions for Every Employee**

Awareness of sustainable development issues with environmental and social impacts is now integral for quality organizational leadership.

Use the CoachingOurselves peer learning discussion guide "Climate Actions for Every Employee" in your peer learning programs to help your leaders, managers, and individual contributors understand how their small individual actions have multiple benefits for their workplace, home, and communities. Catch the message of possibility and get all employees involved in actively supporting your organization's sustainability goals.

Theme areas: transportation, energy, food, coffee, and natural carbon capture options.

Contact Warren@coachingourselves.com for more details.



What else could you do?

#### Improve your general climate literacy by yourself

Free online course:

https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/climate-literacy-and-action-for-all



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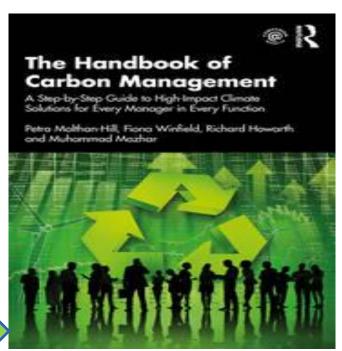
#### Integrated into every discipline/function

The Handbook of Carbon Management: A step-by-step guide to high-impact climate solutions for every manager in every function (Routledge)

- Procurement and Supply: pushing the boundaries to remove carbon emissions
- Marketing for a better climate
- Pension funds, accounts and other investments
- GHG emissions accounting
- Climate communication and reporting to internal and external stakeholders

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https://www.routledge.com/The-Handbook-of-Carbon-Management-A-Step-by-Step-Guide-to-High-Impact-Climate/Molthan-Hill-Winfield-Howarth-Mazhar/p/book/9781032227603



#### Get the certificate and be part of a community....



Take our free Climate Literacy & Action Training in September and October (on fixed days, virtual, interactive):

On behalf of the **UN PRME Working Group on Climate Change & Environment and QS World Merit charity**, we would like to invite you to join our upcoming Climate Literacy & Action Training CLT-ECOS.

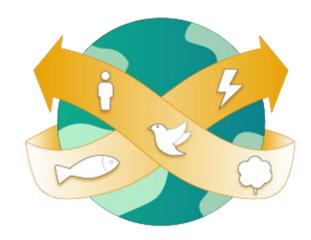
#### Please register here:

https://www.unprmeclimate.org/events/climate-literacy-action-training-for-educators-communities-organizations-and-students-2

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