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#### ECOLOGICAL INTEGRAL TRANSITION FOR CONTAINMENT OF POLLUTANT EMISSIONS AND GREEN-HOUSE GASES

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## ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION AND SUSTAINABILITY: DEFINITIONS

- Ecological integral transition is a step of human development in which the use of energy and matter for human needs and human activities is made sustainable , that is in equilibrium with earth planet naturally avalaible resources.
- Energetic transition is the progressive substitution of non eco-sustainable sources with eco-sustainable sources
- The eco-sustainability takes into account the depletion of primary non renewable resources and the impact on the environment (the Creation, for Believers) leading to unreversable damage for mankind and his habitat.

#### **ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION AND HUMAN PROGRESS**

- Atmosphere
- Landscape
- Waters
- Foot-print of human works

- Human development and progress
- Economy of Francesco





## ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION AND GENERATIONAL PACT





#### **Greta Thunberg on nuclear power**

"Personally I am against nuclear power, but according to the IPCC [the United Nations Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change], it can be a small part of a very big new carbon free energy solution, especially in countries and areas that lack the possibility of a full scale renewable energy supply - ...... - let's leave that debate until we start looking at the full picture." ----Greta Thunberg, founder, Youth Climate Strike



### **ENERGY TRANSITION**

## <u>NON RENEWABLES</u> CARBON POWER (FOSSIL FUEL)

- Coal, fuel oil, natural gas: hard to replace
- 80% energia primaria
- Carbone la peggiore, gas la migliore
- Dust (lung desease)
- VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds)
- Green house gas CO2
- Antropic climate change
- Acid rains (Sox, Nox, NHx, ...)
- Drilling landscape impact (augers, fracking for shalegas)





#### **CURRENT ENERGY MIX AND CO2 EMISSIONS**



Fig. 11 – Andamenti dal 1980 al 2030 della domanda giornaliera di energia, articolata per tipo di fonte (MBDOE: Million Barrels per Day of Oil-equivalent Energy), e delle emissioni annuali di CO<sub>2</sub>. IEA - Ref. Case: Reference Case considered by the International Energy Agency. (Da: ExxonMobil "The Outlook for Energy - A View to 2030" December 2008).

### **NATURAL GAS**

- Transition fossil fuel, in continuous increase
- It's still a green house source but less polluting than coal and oil
- Currently it's 50 60% of primary energy (I)





#### RENEWABLE (DE-CARBONIZED) POWER











#### **HYDRO POWER**



Hydropower uses the gravity and water force to produce electric power by hydraulic turbin equipped dam facilities, located on big rivers in the plains, as well as downstream slopes through penstocks fed by mountain basins.

Apart from the impact on landscape, which is not so burdensome in normal operation, hydropower had in the past accidents due to the rupture and break-down / collapce of the dam causing thousand of victimes.

Contribution of this source, usually 10-15 % of the mix, is limited by the orography of the territory and difficult to increment further. In sme Country is very high, like in Norway (100%), or Sweden (50%), while in Italy is somewhat 20%



# **SOLAR AND WIND POWER**

- 0 emissions (during power production)
- Intermittent, not programmable
- Low load factor (10 %)
- Centered hourly or periodically
- Electrical grid oscillation and instability up to partitioning and black out
- Low power density requiring great land spreading under the same installed electric power.
- Capacity payment, from fossil fuel
- Limited capacity factor in the energy mix
- Need of energy storage
- Landscape degradation
- Noise (wind only)
- Energetic balance over all life cycle



## **GEOTHERMAL POWER**



- Endless, continuous and stable
- Electric production (Iceland, Larderello)
- Thermal production
- District heating (Ferrara)
- Drilling competence needed
- Possible toxic emissions (some cases)
- Initial investment

# **NUCLEAR POWER**



- Large power
- Stable production
- High load factor
- 0 Emissions
- Low footprint
- Advanced technology
- Nuclear safety
- Radioactive waste manageme



- Gen IV reactors for a sustainable closed nuclear fuel cycle
- Conversion of nuclear weapons into civil power production

## **HYDROGEN POWER**



- It's not an energy primary source but a vector
- Produced by elettrolysis or thermochemical dissociation from nuclear or solar or fossil power
- Steam-reforming
- Hydrogen combustion product is water (steam)
- In automotive, it can be generated by fuel-cells, that is hydrogen batteries
- Beyond some concentration becomes explosive
- It has to be distributed like gas, by pipelines

# **POWER FROM WASTE**









#### **Two success stories: Sweden and France**

# ELECTRICITY GENERATION: 154.8 TWh 57% renewables (IEA average: 24%)



## **ENERGY (POWER) MIX (OPTIMUM)**



## ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION AND WARHEAD CONVERSION

- **20000** warheads converted into fuel to produce electricity
- □ A terrible risk of death transformed into chance of life and social progress.
- A result to be applied to other 15.000 warheads to get electric power provision for 100 bis cities like Milan
- An example of peaceful scope, carbon-free, non polluting, non green-house effect

Converting 15.000 warheads allows to produce 100.000 MWe elecric energy for civilian use and save 15.000.000 Ton CO2 in atmosphere, that is 1000 Tons per converted warhead.

If then adding the 100 reactors to the 400 now in operation, we get a saved CO2 equal to: 15 MTon x 5 = 75 Mton / per core (5 years refuelling )

It's a fear contribution to save  $CO_2$  from electric power sector, even though still few comared with the almost 25 Gton totally released by fossil fuel every year, but high important as symbolic value for peace



#### ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION USING WEAPON CONVERSION

## **MAIN REFERENCES**

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1986 - 2019 SSISI Assisi 25 - 27OTTOBRE 2019 Uno Strumento della Tua PAG VENERDI 25 OTTOBRE SALONE PAPALE DEL SACRO CONVENTO OTC 10.15-12:30 Confronto teologico sul tema: Quale economia a partire dalle fedi Introduzione della Prof. Annarita Caponera e Tavola rotonda con: Yasmin Doghri, musulmana; - Alessandro Busti, baha'i; + Alessio Lanfaloni, cattolico; + Graziano Di Nepi, ebreo. In collaborazione con l'Istituto Teologico di Assisi e l'Ufficio Scuola della diocesi CTITADELLA - SALA SAN GIOVANNI OF 15.00 Incontro dei musicisti pellegrini con i rappresentanti delle religioni il vescovo insieme agli altri rappresentanti. - BASHICA INFERIORE DE SAN FRANCESCO OFC 21.00 Concerto di chitarra classica - Marco Socias SARATO 76 OTTORRE - SALA NIAMPA DEL SACRO CONVENTO - ore 9.00 - 13.00 Convegno Civiltà dell'amore: La Civiltà dell'Amore per lo sviluppo Ambientale e Sociale Flaminia Giovannelli, Massimo Sepielli, Carlo De Masi, Antonio Brunon, Rocco Morelli, CHIESA DE S. PIETRO ore 21.00 Concerto - Iberian Folk Ensemble DOMENICA27 OFFORRE BASHEJCA SEPERIORE DES. FRANCESCO OFC 12.00 Celebrazione eucaristica Presiede Mons. Domenico Sorrentino REFEITORETTO DEL CONVENTO DELLA PORZENCOLA (S. Maria degli Angeli) ore 16.00. Preghlera per la pace veseovo Domanico Sorrentino; revd de Simon Cocksedge, anglicano; rav Joseph Levi, presidente Scuola fiorentina di alta formazione per il dialogo interreligioso e culturale; Maurizio Ciariuglia, Baha'i Assisi; Stella Yousif Milad, copto ortodosso; - Abdel Qader, immu, - Pavd Gajewsky, pastore valdese BASHICA SITURIORE DI SAN FRANCESCO ore 21.00 - Francesco e il Sultano - testo di Peter Deibler.

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#### Disarmo Nucleare, Non-proliferazione, e sviluppo

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PROGRAMMA PRELIMINARE CONVEGNO PROGETTI DI PACE NUCLEARE DALL'AREA COREANA ALLE ALTRE NEL MONDO LA VIA DELLA PACE: DALL'EUROPA ALL'ESTREMO ORIENTE

8 maggio 2019, ore 9:00 - 16:30

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## Analisi tecnica della conversione testate nucleari in combustibile per impianti elettronucleari

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#### Energia per l'Umanità - Quali prospettive per il futuro? WORLD POPULATION IN MAJOR AREAS

#### TABLE 1. POPULATION OF THE WORLD AND MAJOR AREAS, 2015, 2030, 2050 AND 2100, ACCORDING TO THE MEDIUM-VARIANT PROJECTION

	Population (millions)			
Major area	2015	2030	2050	2100
World	7 349	8 501	9 725	11 213
Africa	1 186	1 679	2 478	4 387
Asia	4 393	4 923	5 267	4 889
Europe	738	734	707	646
Latin America and the Caribbean	634	721	784	721
Northern America	358	396	433	500
Oceania	39	47	57	71

Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division (2015). World Population Prospects: The 2015 Revision. New York: United Nations.

#### Il caso dell'Africa ACCESS TO ELECTRICITY



This map is without prejudice to the status of or sovereignty over any territory, to the delimitation of international frontiers and boundaries and to the name of any territory, city or area.

#### The consequences on ecosystems

- During the twentieth century the world population has quadrupled and its energy consumption has multiplied by 16.
- □ Most of this energy comes from the burning of fossil fuels, with the consequent release into the atmosphere of a growing flow of carbon dioxide (CO2).
- □ From the pre-industrial era to 2020, the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere has gone from around 275 to 410 parts per million (ppm), and continues to grow at the rate of 2 or 3 ppm / year.
- □ If we also take into account the other greenhouse gases, such as methane and nitrogen oxide, and aerosols, and we report the effect in equivalent CO2, the total concentration now reaches 500 ppm of CO2 eq.
- The dynamic correlations between the main climatological variables are essentially of the integral type, i.e. the downstream variable is the integral of the upstream one, except for the presence of stabilizing feedbacks with more or less long time constants.
- Based on these correlations, for an instantaneous introduction (or subtraction) of CO2 into the atmosphere, 92% is still present (or removed) after a year, 64% after 10 years, 34% after 100 years, and the 19% after 1000 years.

## **Actions on CO2 concentration**

- Every year we increase the concentration of CO2 in the atmosphere by about 2 ppm , that 1 ppm of CO2 corresponds to the maximum 7.82 GtCO2.
- □ This quantity has led to an excess of CO2 which has already begun to devastate our planet.
- Therefore it is necessary as soon as possible to stop the emissions of other CO2 in all possible ways and places in order not to reach the expected devastating 500ppm (almost double the natural value) of CO2 in the air.
- This can be done by replacing the combustion of fossils (materials that are very useful for irreplaceable uses even for future humanity) the use of sources without GHG emissions, such as hydraulic energy, other renewable carbon-free products and nuclear energy in a optimal energy mix
- Furthermore, these plants can produce hydrogen which can effectively fuel transport of almost any kind and thus almost eliminate zero greenhouse gas emissions in the air.
  Major role of the introduction of new CO2 will grow from the development of emerging Countries.
- Necessary for the more developed countries to drastically favor a development with carbon free energies, for example by allocating at least 10% of the European Environment Fund, just allocated by the EU for the next 10 years
- □ The energy transition with the determination to cancel all fossil combustion as soon as possible to all nations and reach the elimination of new emissions.

## CO2, forestation and reforestation

- Thus CO2 would not grow even more but would remain at these values if we do not intervene to reduce it first of all by promoting new forestation and reforestation in all areas of the planet.
- Reforest such a surface (which is equivalent to the burned or destroyed part of the tropical forests in the last 50 years) and to reconstitute a forest formation to implement the reduction of 2 ppm of CO2 / year.
- □ So since the new anthropogenic emissions are zeroed, following the best intentions of countries in the world, we will reduce the concentration of CO2 in the air by 40 ppm in the following 20 years.
- If emissions continue at the current levels, with a consequent increase of 2ppm per year in the concentration of CO2, the aforesaid reforestation, once fully operational, could perhaps just compensate for that increase.

How long will this transition phase last?

How much CO2 production can it save?

Will it be possible to keep the concentration value within the limit value of 500 ppm, starting from the current 270 ppm?

What can geoengineering do?

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- Perito nucleare (1977)
- Dottore in Ingegneria nucleare (1983)
- Abilitato (1984)
- Iscrizione all'Ordine (1984)
- Specializzato Sicurezza impianti nucleari e radioprotezione (1987)
- Presidente Commissione Ricerca e reattori innovativi dell'Area Nucleare dell'Ordine degli Ingegneri della Provincia di Roma
- ENEA (1983)
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