

The So Called Climate Crisis Caused by the Gas of Life, CO2 ? :

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It is time to inject some reality into the Climate Debate, as we have the main political parties, following policies which will have no effect on climate, but which will progressively and unnecessarily impoverish the nation. It is clear that the climate is changing, nothing new here, it changes all the time within the rough range of -50 to + 50 degrees C, within that range 1.5 degrees C is trivial. This so called climate target is the warming from the time the world was starting to come out of the Little Ice Age (LIA), so warming was indeed expected from natural variation.

We contend that CO2 has little to do with warming. The NZ Climate Science Coalition has asked for proof that CO2 drives global warming from

- i) The New Zealand Royal Society, a science organization which advises the Government. No specific response, but referral to the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) reports, thousands of pages, but no specific definition of particular parts of these reports,
- ii) Professor James Renwick, Victoria University, a Climate Commissioner, a similar response.
- iii) The International HO of the IPCC also couldn't provide any definitive advice.

Clearly many environmental policies which reduce waste, and which result in improved water quality and other improved environmental qualities are very worthwhile, but most have become hopelessly conflated with climate policy when they have little or nothing to do with climate.

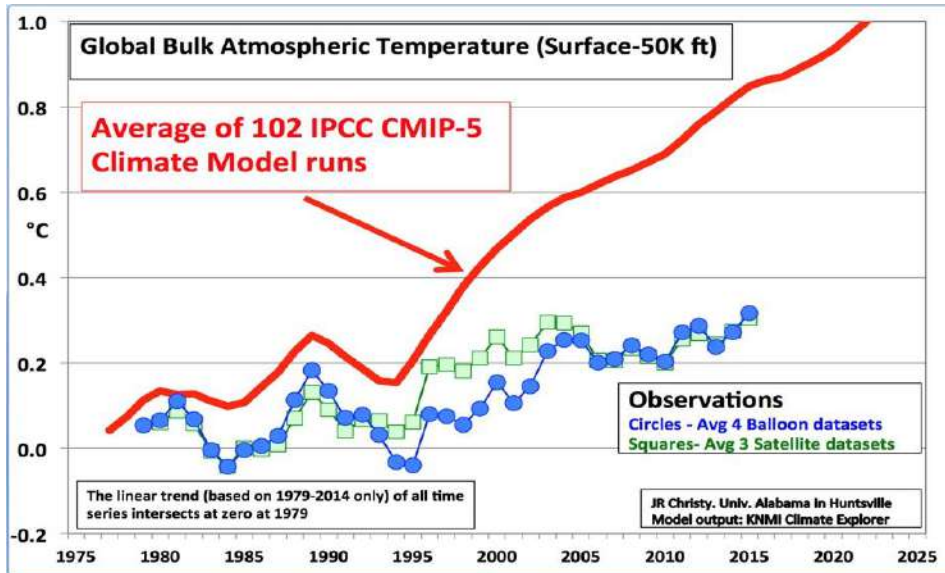
A : There is no climate emergency :

Failed predictions of climate and population disaster abound. See

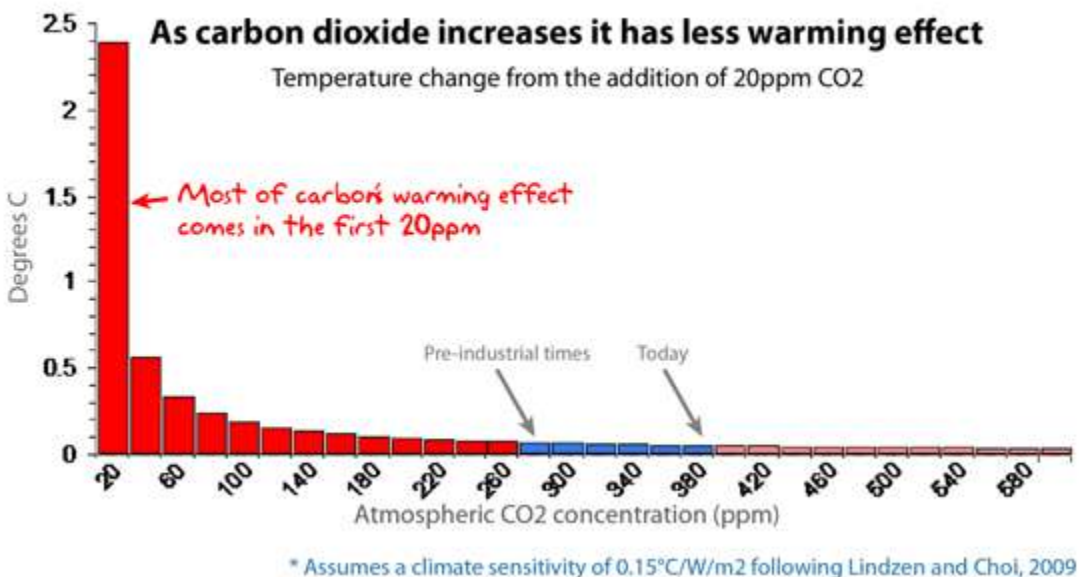
<https://www.aei.org/carpe-diem/50-years-of-failed-doomsday-eco-pocalyptic-predictions-the-so-called-experts-are-0-50/> Many examples, none correct.

The Climate Emergency is based on projections of computer models, which have thus far proved to be highly inaccurate. They are all running hot, reality is that there has been some warming, and that a warmer world is a lot more friendly place, that a cooler one.

Further increasing levels of CO2 are a good thing, as plant growth increases of about 30% are due to these increased levels since the mid 20th century. Importantly further increases in atmospheric CO2 will have only slight effects on global temperature, contrary to the alarmist claims of climate scientists.



<https://judithcurry.com/2015/12/17/climate-models-versus-climate-reality/> Actual temperatures are not anything like the computer model projections.

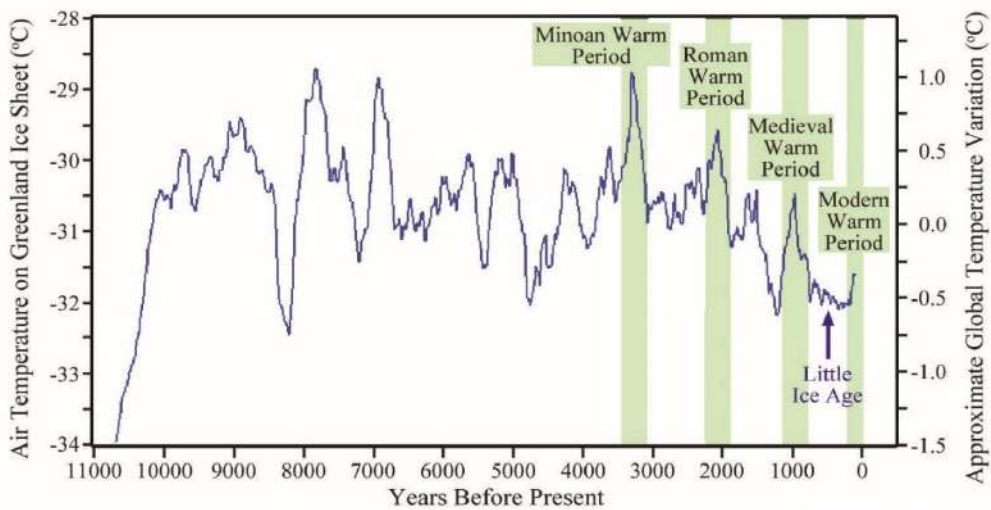


[As CO2 increases there is less incremental effect with each successive increase.](#)

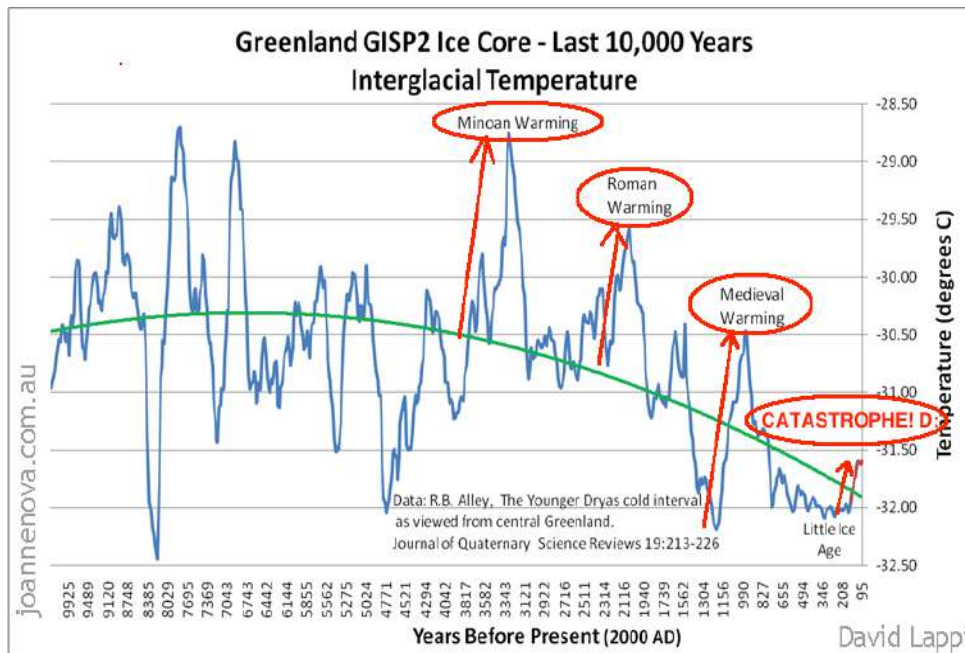
There is nothing unusual about the warming that has been observed since the depth of the Little Ice Age (LIA), I repeat nothing unusual at all, natural variation will describe the present climate, and the level of CO2 in the atmosphere, We are in a Carbon (CO2) Drought in fact, as that relates to plant growth. The following figures show this.

Climate change bureaucrats seem blissfully unaware of the situation illustrated above, and policy is made on the basis of the climate computer models which project nowhere near reality.

Global Temperature Variation Over the Last 10,000 Years



Alley, 2000; Climate4You, 2015



<https://www.economicjunkie.com/the-golbal-warming-catastrophe-in-charts/>

The temperature of ice cores are recognized scientifically as representing the historical climate at the time. **CLEARLY THE PRESENT WARMING IS OF NO CAUSE FOR CONCERN.**

In the past 6 months, the temperature of the lower atmosphere has fallen by 0.45 degrees C as measured by satellites, the most accurate measurement of world temperature, as they cover a much larger percentage of the globe and are not constantly adjusted as is the case with the land based records. Perhaps the likelihood of the world cooling over the next millennium or a stabilization of temperature , is more likely than continuing warming?

Perhaps the best summary of the present state of climate science comes from a brief prepared by three US Professors for a Californian Judge to assist him in his court deliberations The main conclusions were <https://www.masterresource.org/debate-issues/climate-alarmism-reconsidered/>

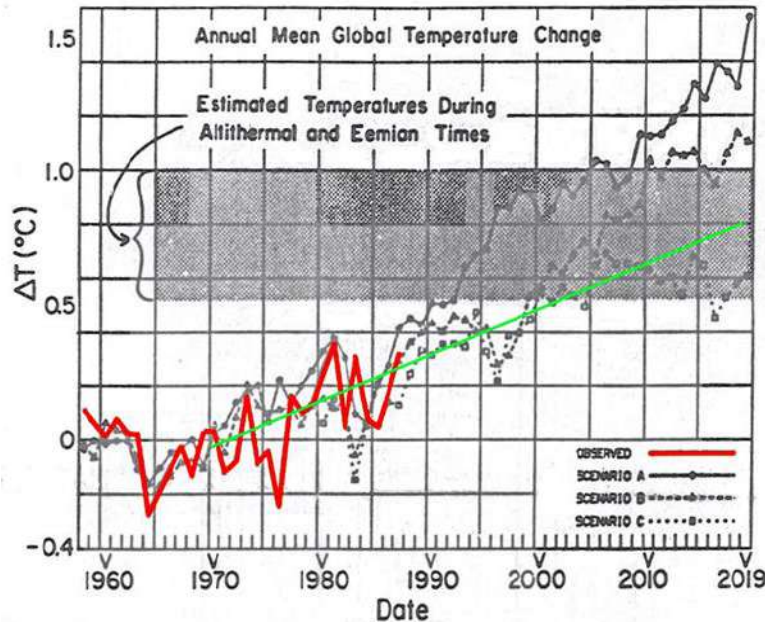
1. The climate is always changing, changes like those in the past half-century are common in the geological record, driven by natural phenomena,
2. Human influences on the climate are small, (1%) perturbation of natural energy flows,
3. It is not possible to tell how much of the modest warming is due to humans,
4. There have been no detrimental changes in the most salient climate variables, and today's projections of future changes are highly uncertain.

B: How did we get to a situation where “Humans are the Cause of Global Warming” as climate policy for Governments world-wide?

A very good treatise of the continuing initiation of and continuing global climate alarmism is in the following link, quite long but very readable from a prominent journalist

<https://www.thegwpf.org/content/uploads/2018/02/Groupthink.pdf>

1. Jim Hansen (regarded as “the Father of Global warming”) addressed the US Congress 1988, 33 years ago, and his claims of the climate emergency coming have come to very little. See link below.



<https://wattsupwiththat.com/2018/06/30/analysis-of-james-hansens-1988-prediction-of-global-temperatures-for-the-last-30-years/> He said that the world was warming rapidly and that there was already a strong “human footprint”, the start of great alarm.

2. The IPCC was formed in 1988 by the UNEP (UN Environmental Programme) and the WMO (World Meteorological Programme) with the Mandate

for the purpose of assessing “the scientific, technical and socioeconomic information relevant for the understanding of the risk of human-induced climate change. It does not carry out new research nor does it monitor climate-related data. It bases its assessment mainly on published and peer reviewed scientific technical literature.” The goal of these assessments is to inform international policy and negotiations on climate-related issues.

Note : there is no mandate to look at the natural variation in climate, thus we get the total all consuming interest in “human induced” climate change, and this continues to this day. If there was no human signal detected in observed warming , then there would be no requirement for the huge continuing government (world-wide) research expenditure and now expenditure on reducing emissions. No “human signal” no need for the \$ billions going into the climate industry.

At the Rio Earth Summit in 1992, 154 countries (governments) signed up to the “humans are the cause of global warming” mantra, even with no scientific proof, this was indeed exciting for the Govt bureaucrats.

3. Five IPCC Reports, 1992, 1996, 2001, 2007, 2014, and 2022? to come. The IPCC theoretically assesses all the scientific literature, but does not, and has not considered any published and unpublished scientific information which suggests that humans do not have a major effect on climate through CO2 emissions.

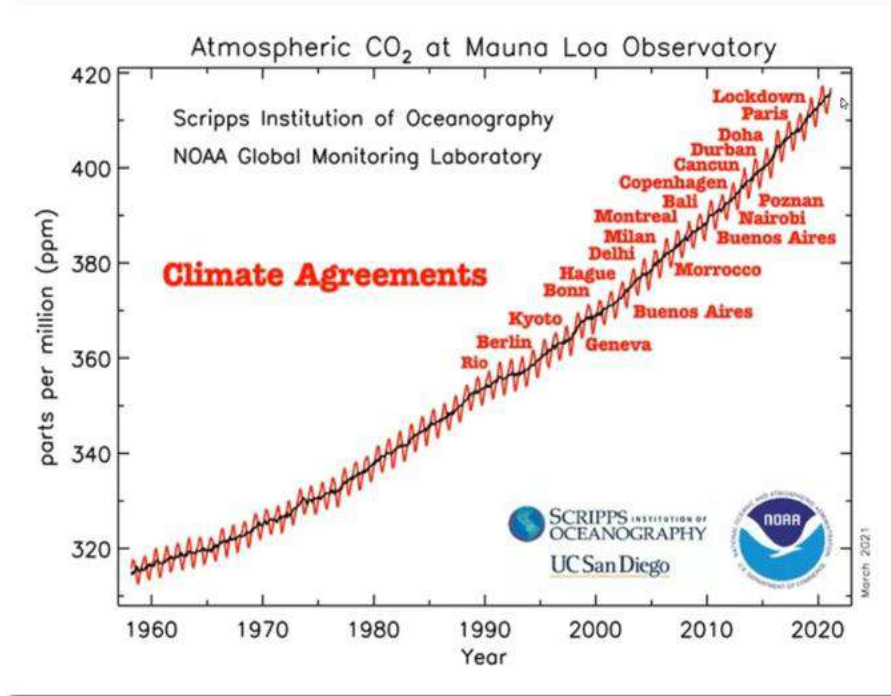
4. Global Warming, now Climate Change, and often now termed Climate Disruption, has clearly become Government Policy world-wide, and Governments pay all of the public sector through

- i) government departments,
- ii) the education sector, primary, secondary and tertiary (universities), we have had 3 decades of educational indoctrination at all levels.
- iii) all of the Government Research Institutes,
- iv, all of the research grants in the climate area, so

Any scientists and or professionals who have an alternative view, will be ostracized by scientific colleagues or eventually will lose their job / living. Many examples of this.

Any science which doesn't agree with the World / Government “party line” is not considered / ridiculed and the classification of “climate deniers” and other derogatory terminology is used as a strategy to avoid engaging in realistic discussion. Generally Government (including University) scientists refuse to even discuss any information which doesn't agree with their science / government view. You send information and the classic response from government bureaucrats, who in fact have a bereft knowledge of the science, is “we accept the findings of the IPCC”.

5. There has been intense Government interest in reducing CO2 and other Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions since the 1992 Rio Earth Summit. Alas, since 1990 World emissions have increase by about 65%, and atmospheric CO2 by a further 20%. Thus many world agreement and programmes undertaken by various governments have been very expensive but completely ineffective. See below of course we are saying increased CO2 is a good thing!



C : New Zealand Government and Climate Commission Impositions Will Make no Difference to Climate :

The most recent international Agreement, Paris 2015, is supposed to be the way forward to reduce the world emissions of Greenhouse Gases (GHGs). Few countries are meeting their commitments through this agreement, and most of the undeveloped world (60% of the world's emissions gets a free pass at least until 2030 and beyond so that they may continue their development and increase the standard of living of their people.

China, presently 29% of the world's emissions has stated she will double emissions by 2030, India, now 7% of world emissions has said she will triple emissions by 2030, and the rest of the undeveloped world might be guessed to produce another 10% rise in world emissions by 2030. $29 + 14 + 10 = 53\%$ rise, so much for reducing world emissions, at least until after 2030.

Lomborg has published information illustrating that in the event all countries reduce their emissions to ne zero by 2100 this will have virtually no effect on climate.

What are we all doing?,

- Governments reducing emissions to presumably stop the world heating up, when
- There is no good scientific evidence that the world is heating up due to humans anyway!
- How to spend many billions for no effect? No good evidence that reducing CO₂ will affect temperature in the world, let alone local reductions in CO₂ (New Zealand with an estimated 0.17% of world emissions) affecting the NZ Climate, as is implied by media, and believed by many of the public?

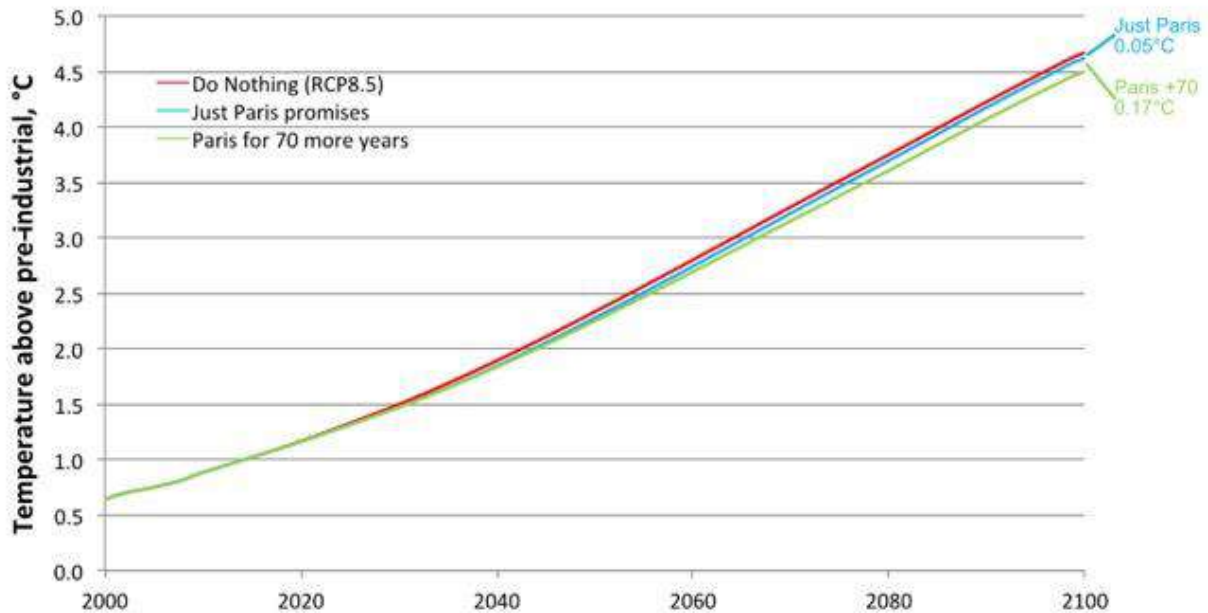


Figure : The global temperature change from pre-industrial, for the Do Nothing (RCP8.5) scenario, for the global promises for Paris and for Paris extended for 70 more years, as run on MAGICC.

Note : The RCP 8 Scenario is not likely at all, and MAGICC is an accepted (By the climate establishment) climate computer model. Paris commitments which are proving difficult or impossible for most countries will result in less than a 1/10th of a degree reduction in warming by 2100, why bother?

- d) The Climate Commission has few relevant skills, has 4 alarmist Commissioners from the public sector, a Chair totally confident of the need for “de-carbonisation”, bolstered by a Govt subsidized, compliant, climate ignorant and alarmist media,
- e) We have now had 3 decades of the education system teaching our young people, who now don’t know any better,
- f) **There is no understanding (or want of understanding of the general public about the costs of the adopted policies, but what is clear is that the burden will be much more on the lower income strata.**
- g) **There is no understanding that a significant part of the agricultural industries will be heavily impacted, the industry which is the most important underpinning industry for the NZ economy.**

D : What can you or we do about it?

In my opinion, there is little likelihood that scientific debate will be allowed to happen, and thus the information provided, will be only useful for the understanding for other action.

It is my view that the general public and the politicians (both government and industry organisations) have to be made aware as uncomfortably as possible that the basis of the policy on global warming is unacceptable, due to the fact that

- a) The costs expected to be born by the public are unaffordable, and

- b) The policy of emissions reductions will be ineffective, results barely discernable.
- c) Any ideas that you will be able to get any discussion of the scientific basis of climate change through the media and or the scientific organisations, and or the Farmer Political Institutions that represent all or some of you are misguided. The train has left the station adoption and the expense of programmes which will have no other effect other than reduce the size of your industry, and the income you will derive from your farming endeavours, plus lower the general standard of living of all New Zealanders.

You as representatives of the Primary Industries have been abysmally represented by your own organisations, ie. Federated Farmers, Beef & Lamb, Dairy NZ, Fonterra, your meat companies Silver Fern Farms, the Alliance etc. All of these organisations have a very poor understanding of the science, and have not been wanting to get offside with the Government (both main parties). This has resulted in apparent agreement between Government and all the main industries in New Zealand, a most unsatisfactory situation.

The only way forward is to shake up some form of politics through protest, soundly based on science of course. There are already several examples of this in Europe and South America. Dutch Farmers were expected by the courts to reduce cow numbers by up to 50% and to reduce nitrogen fertilizer use. Protests have modified that, see ... <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uBos2a7CsrE> , similar protests in Germany and France. These guys know how to protest!

In Chile only modest increases in fares for public transport caused a National Emergency, see <https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2019/10/19/state-emergency-chile-violent-protests-sweep-across-capital/#:~:text=Angry%20mobs%20of%20protesters,of%20South%20America's%20wealthiest%20country>. This is thus far not the New Zealand way, but the draconian policies being progressively forced on us do require a reassessment of the situation.

E : Just to Make You All Comfortable : Climate Policy is all about Redistribution of Wealth

Very Senior People in the United Nations Have Stated that Climate Policy Has Nothing to Do With Climate . Christina Figueras who was the top official for the United Nations at the time of negotiation of the Paris Agreement has stated "This is probably the most difficult task we have ever given ourselves, which is to intentionally transform the economic development model for the first time in human history." Code for getting rid of Capitalism, as further illustrated by

Climate policy has almost nothing to do anymore with environmental protection, says the German economist and IPCC official Ottmar Edenhofer. The next world climate summit in Cancun is actually an economy summit during which the distribution of the world's resources will be negotiated.

A Final Quotation :

What historians will definitely wonder about in future centuries is how deeply flawed logic, obscured by shrewd and unrelenting propaganda, actually enabled a coalition of powerful special interests to convince nearly everyone in the world that carbon dioxide from human industry was a dangerous, planet-destroying toxin.

It will be remembered as the greatest mass delusion in the history of the world - that carbon dioxide, the life of plants, was considered for a time to be a deadly poison.

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