THE WISDOM OF THE PEOPLE
RE-INVENTING DEMOCRACY across SCALES and VALUES/MINDSETS/PRIORITIES

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At the GLOBAL YOUTH CONFERENCE (GYC 2011) in Geneva we presented Developments of the Club of Rome before the 70s and what Structured Dialogic Design means for Technology Assessment, Futures Design, and Multi-track Diplomacy and Peace-Making and Mediation/Deliberations.
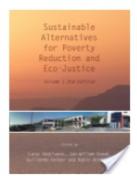A DEMOCRATIC APPROACH FOR SUSTAINABLE FUTURES (GYC Rio+20 presentation (2011) and GYC 2010, Earth Focus Foundation, Geneva.
http://klewel.com/conferences/global-youth-conference-march-2011/
There are many calls nowadays for "New Thinking" or "Liquid Democracy" but it seems that we need to revisit also old concepts and traditional approaches. North American Indians were looking for approaches for settlements between tribes or in conflict resolution situations with the capital in Washington. The method is called "Structured Dialogic Design" and we have mentioned it also briefly in the paper about the SDGs. What is done is "Influence Voting" – let us call it informed decisions where you not do voting without knowing what it is about and how it relates to other issues – in contrast to "importance voting" where the importance is not questioned and related but subject to personal feelings, assumptions, estimations or even interests (possibly of "others").

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The method of the Structured Dialogic Design Process has in the essence basic tenets or axioms to secure practical, effective and lasting community-based solutions (see Wisdom of the People) is a social/societal/cultural effort. Challenges include how to negotiate meanings across scales, sectors and boundaries and keep the context and values in mind and secure the authenticity of contributions and harnessing viable solutions.
Maybe you like to check out these articles: CONCEPTS and CONTEXT MAPPING (in Cognitive Spaces and coherent Cognitive Panoramas) to help us see with other eyes and negotiate commons, differences and overlaps in a HOUSE OF HORIZONS & PERSPECTIVES and EYES to overcome Missing Orientations….

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