

An aerial photograph of a town and its surrounding agricultural landscape. The town is centrally located, featuring a mix of residential houses, commercial buildings, and parking lots. The surrounding area is dominated by large, rectangular agricultural fields in various shades of green and brown, indicating different crops or stages of growth. A road or highway is visible in the lower-left corner, running parallel to a line of trees.

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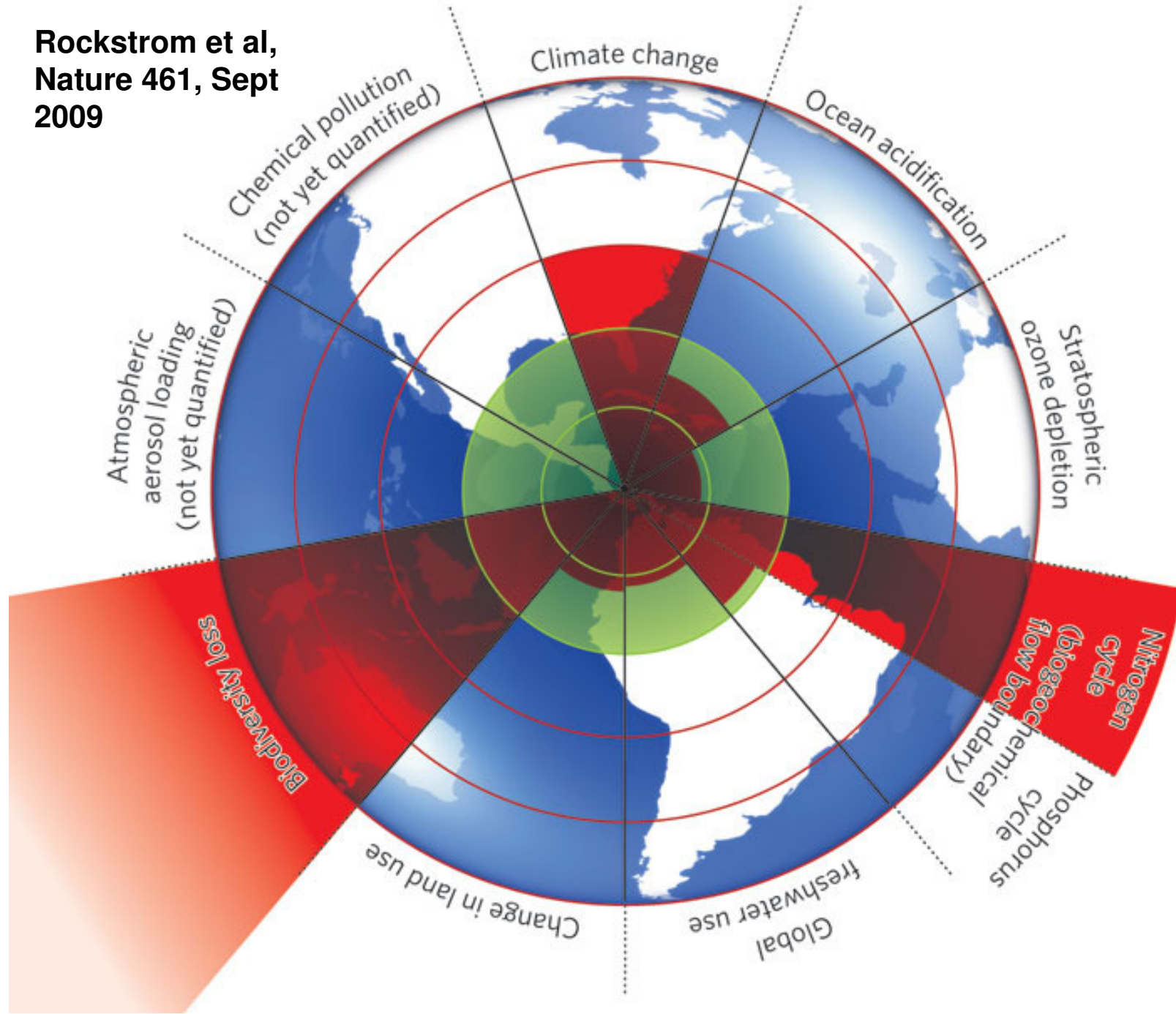
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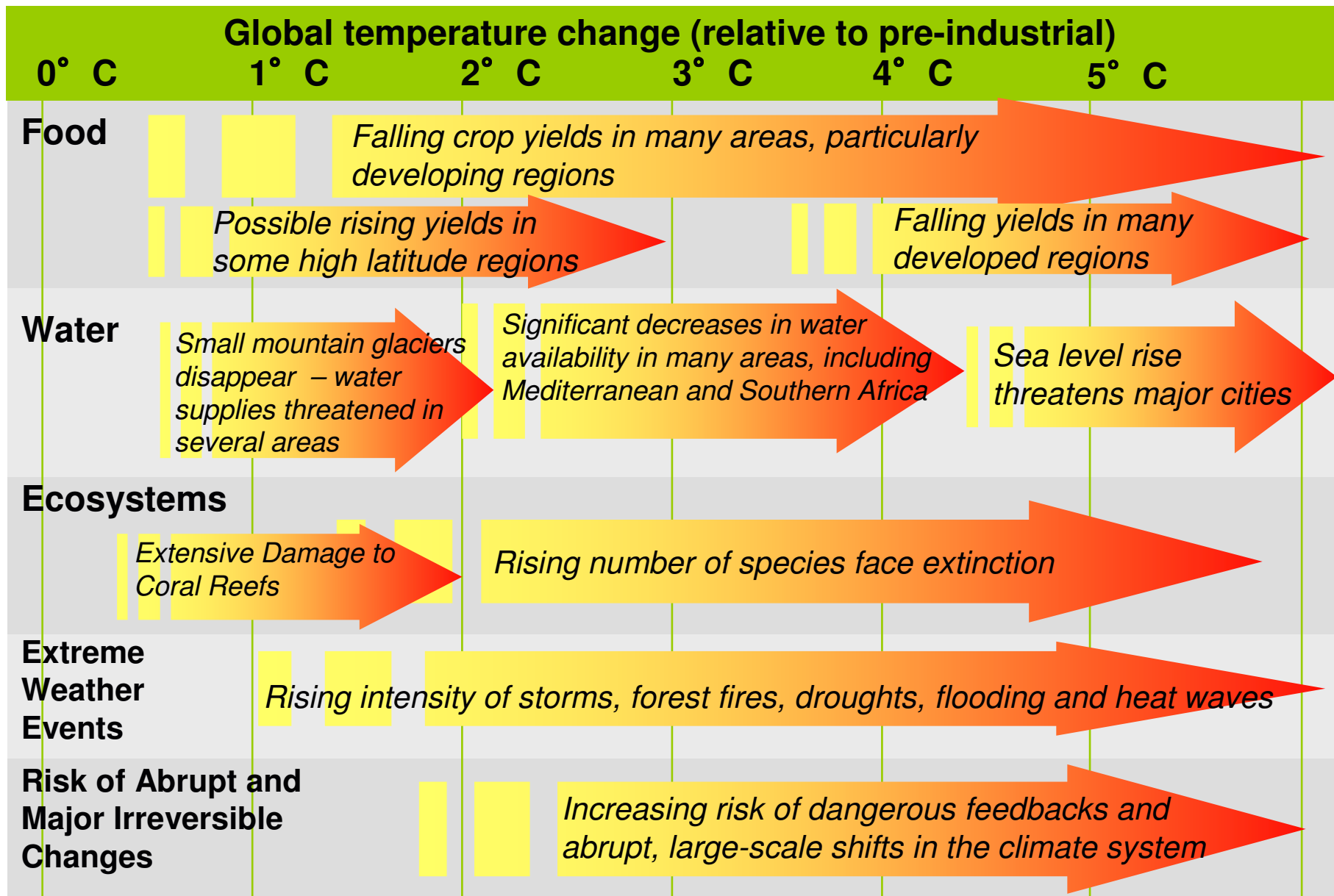
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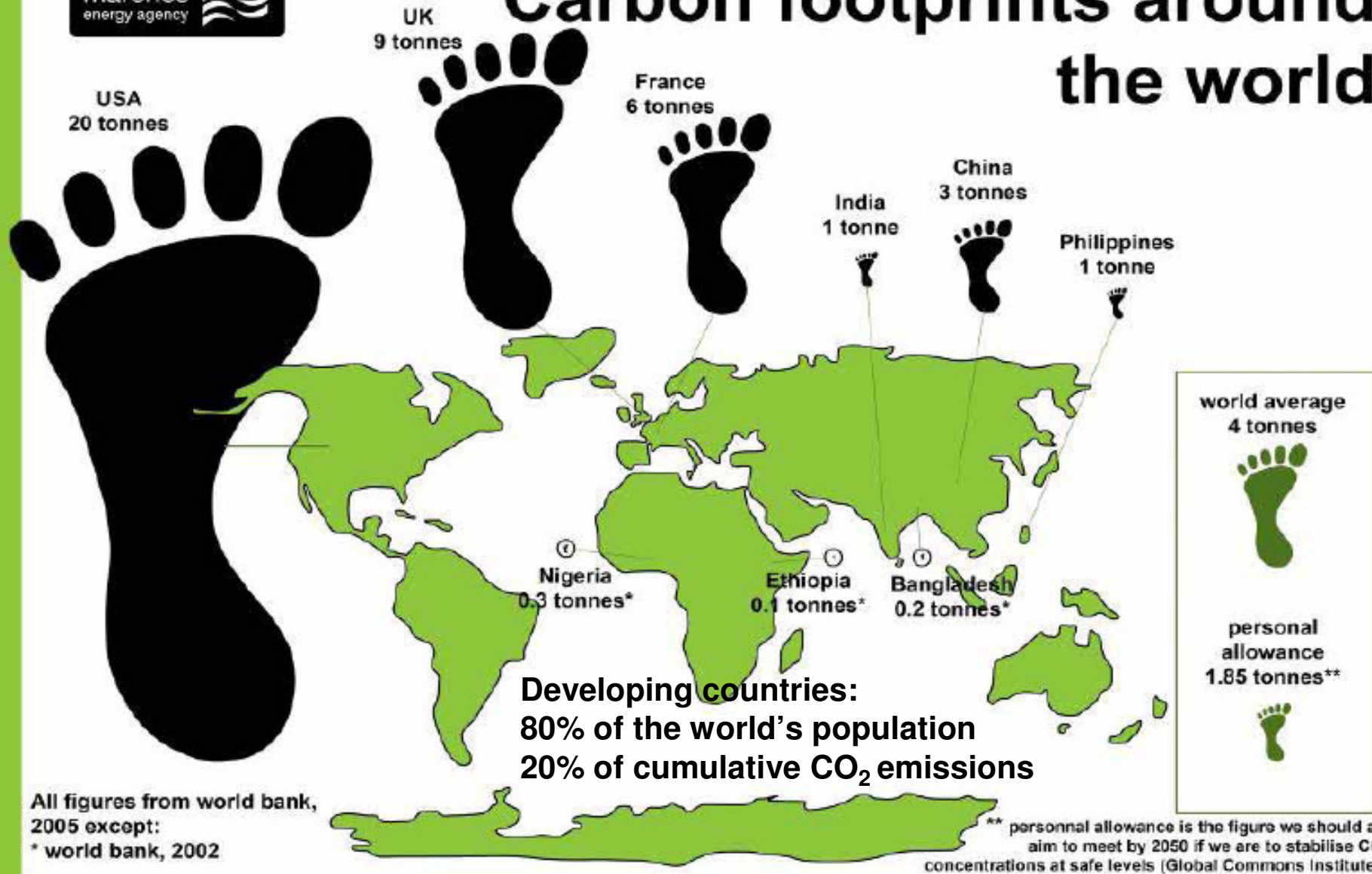
Rockstrom et al,
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Projected impacts of climate change



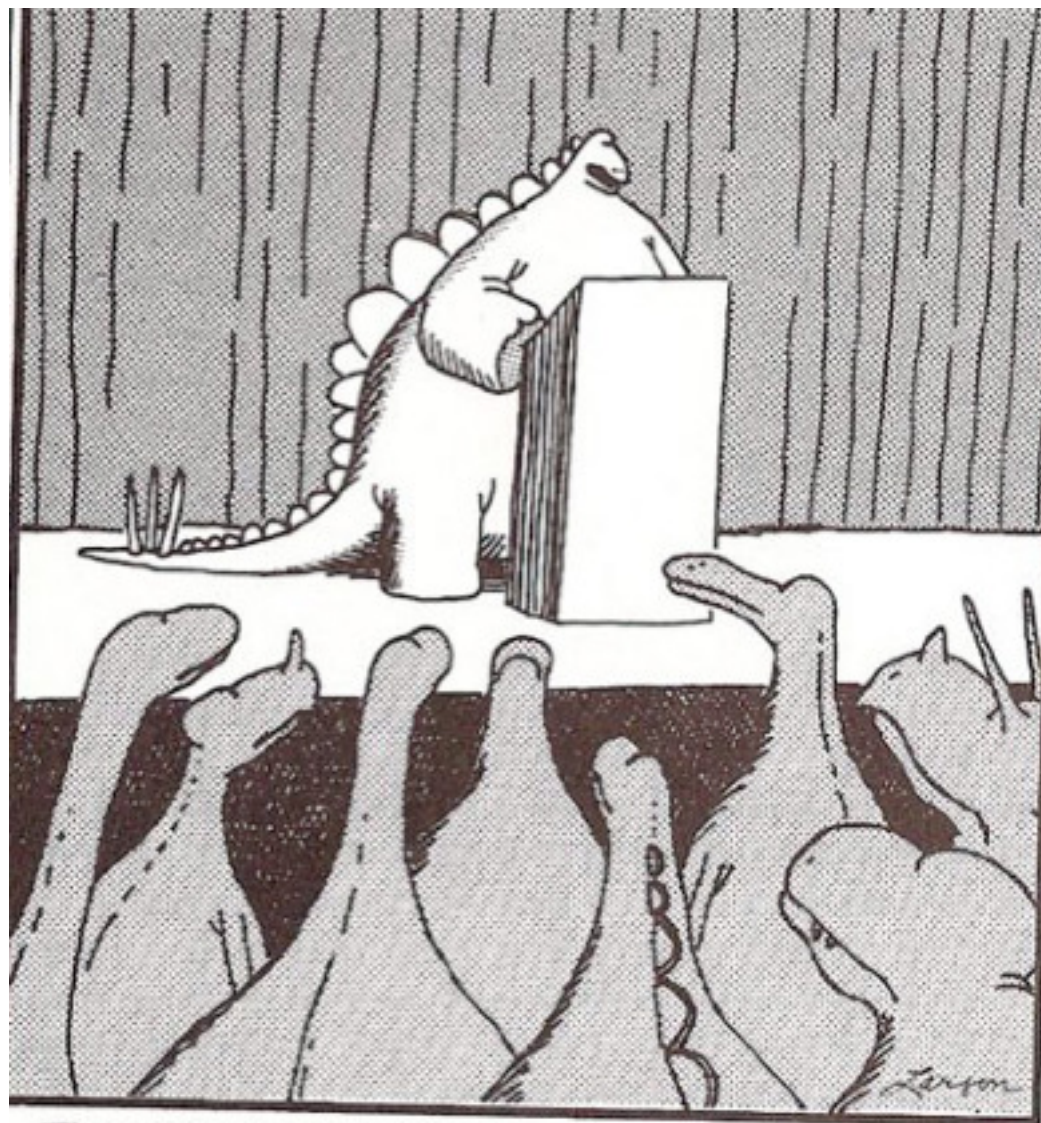
Carbon footprints around the world



All figures from world bank, 2005 except:
* world bank, 2002

** personal allowance is the figure we should all aim to meet by 2050 if we are to stabilise CO₂ concentrations at safe levels (Global Commons Institute).

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"The picture's pretty bleak, gentlemen. ... The world's climates are changing, the mammals are taking over, and we all have a brain about the size of a walnut."

An aerial photograph of a suburban town. The town is characterized by a mix of residential housing, including single-family homes and multi-unit buildings, interspersed with green spaces, trees, and several ponds. A major multi-lane highway runs diagonally across the lower-left portion of the image. The surrounding area consists of large, open fields, some of which appear to be agricultural or undeveloped land. The overall scene depicts a typical suburban development in a rural or semi-rural setting.

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Cameron's pledge:
"the greenest
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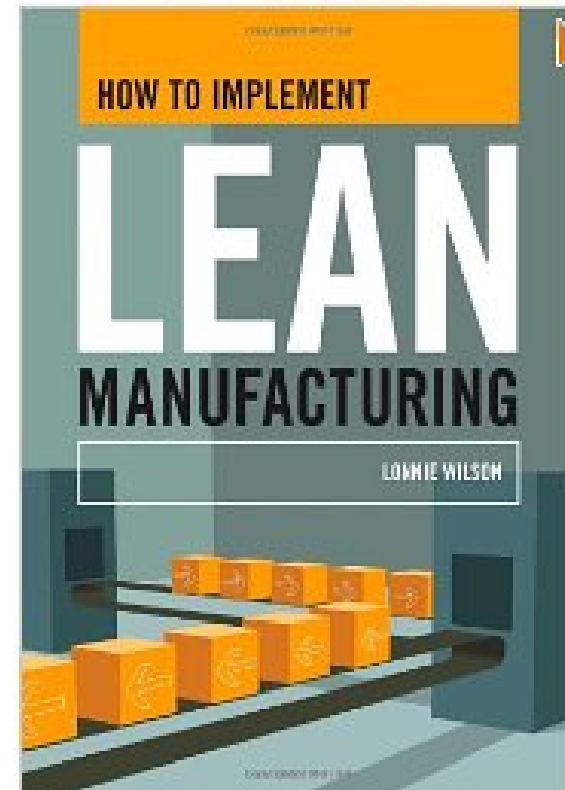
Coalition Programme
for Government:

"climate change is
one of the gravest
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home and abroad is
required"

**substitution and
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decoupling growth
from environmental
damage**



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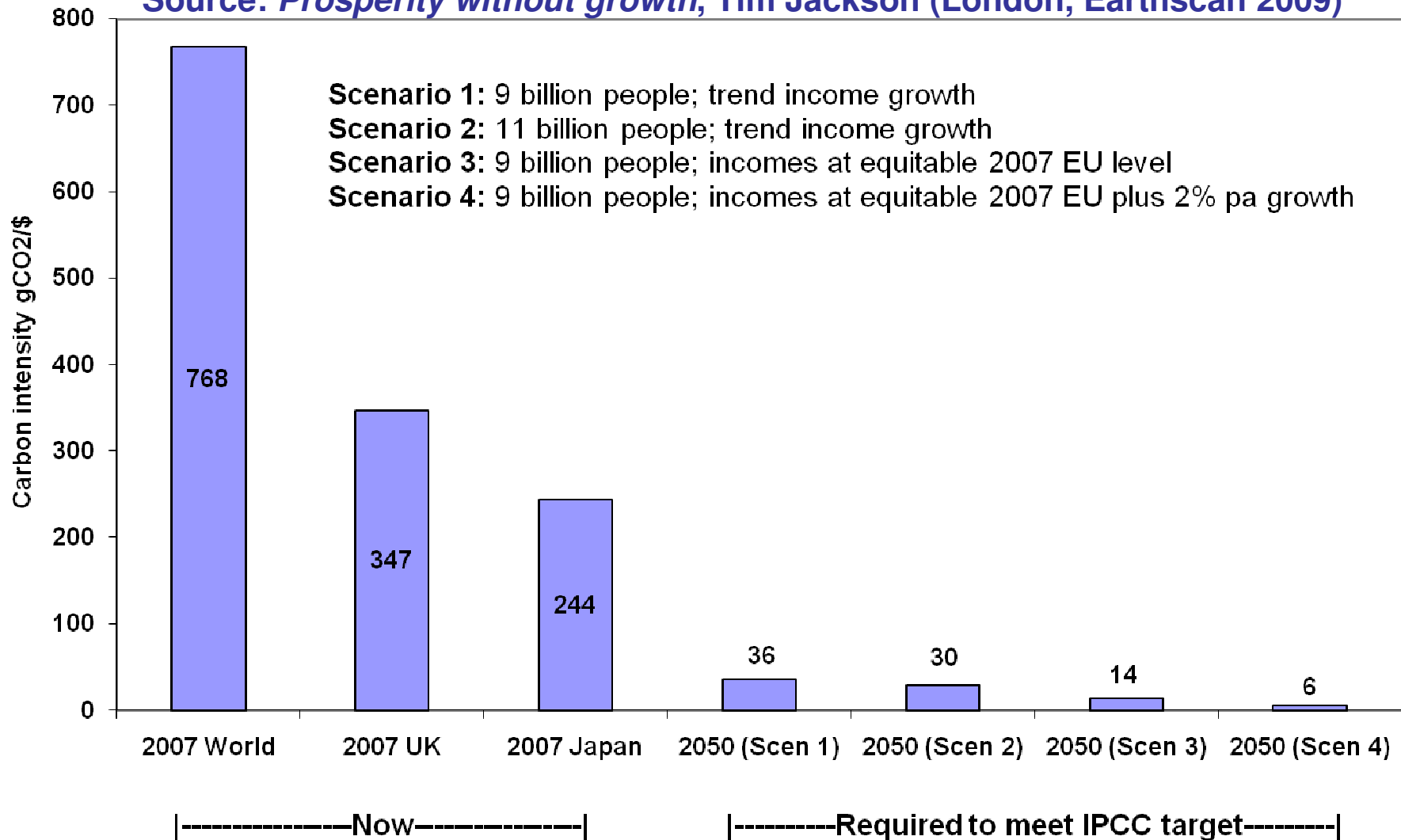


An aerial photograph of a suburban town. The town is characterized by a mix of residential housing, including single-family homes and apartment complexes, interspersed with green spaces, trees, and a golf course. A multi-lane highway runs along the bottom left edge of the frame. The surrounding area consists of large, open fields, some of which are brown, suggesting they might be fallow or harvested. The overall scene depicts a typical suburban development in a rural or semi-rural setting.

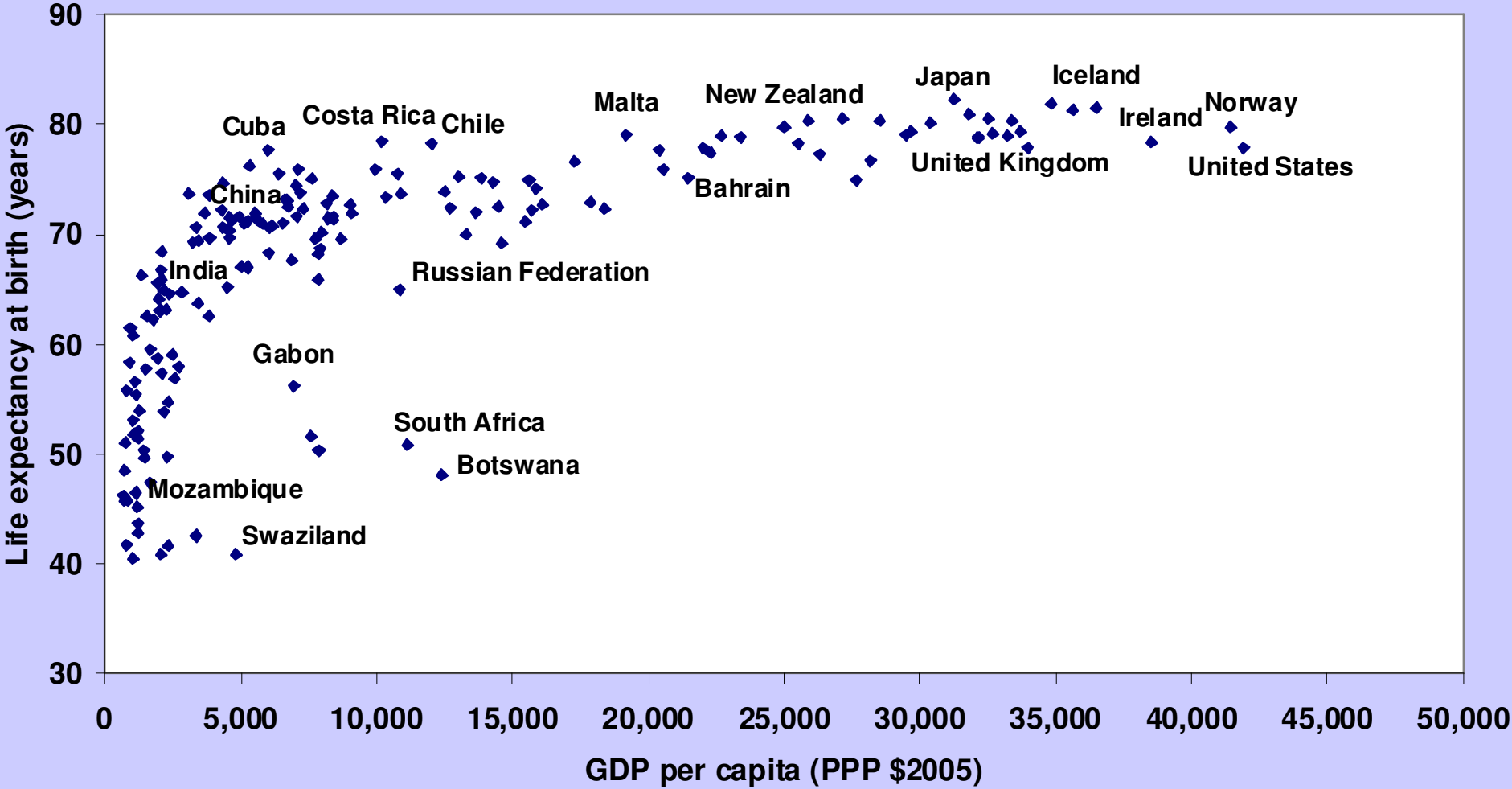
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The Myth of Decoupling

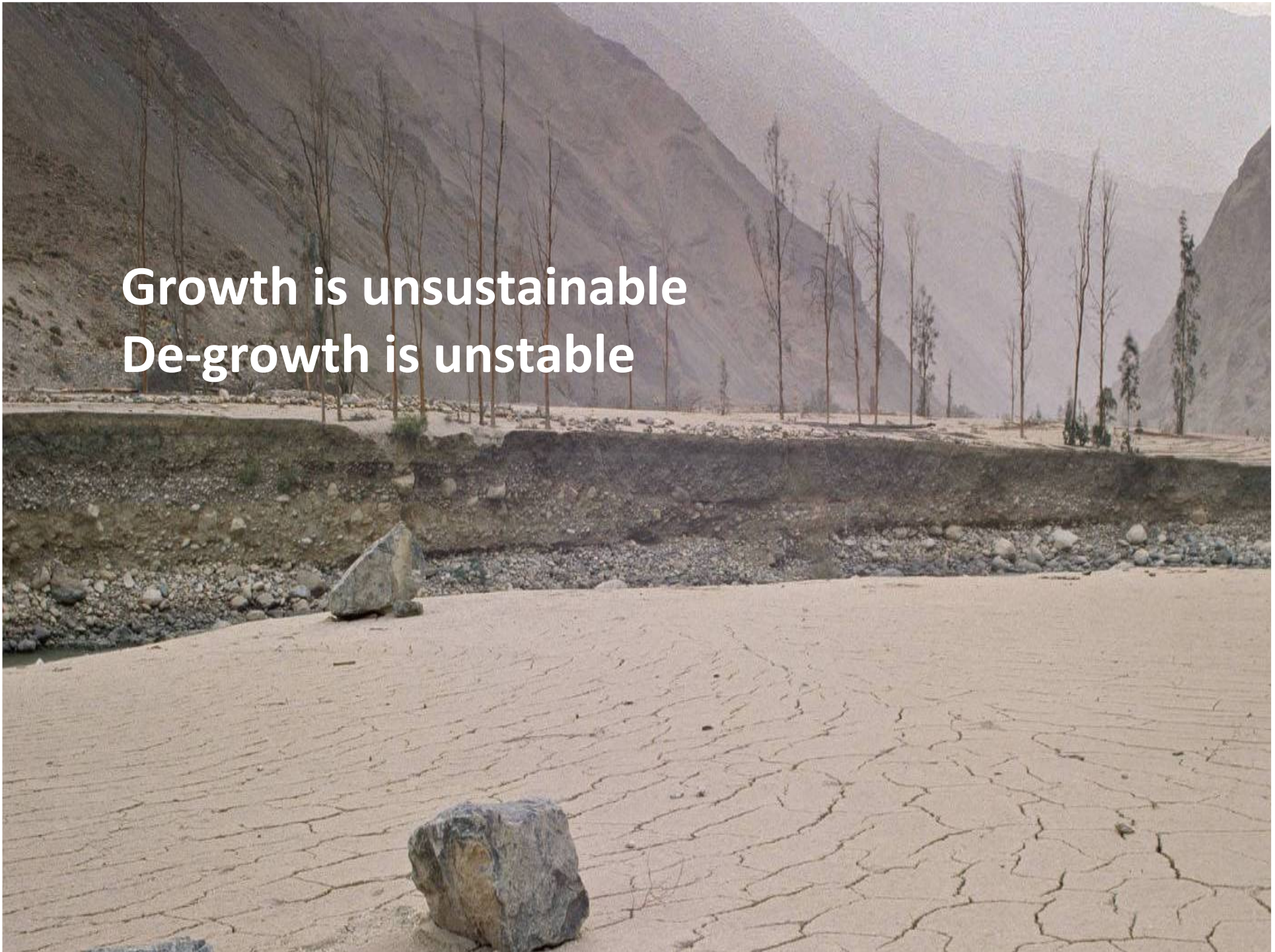
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Life Expectancy at Birth



**Growth is unsustainable
De-growth is unstable**





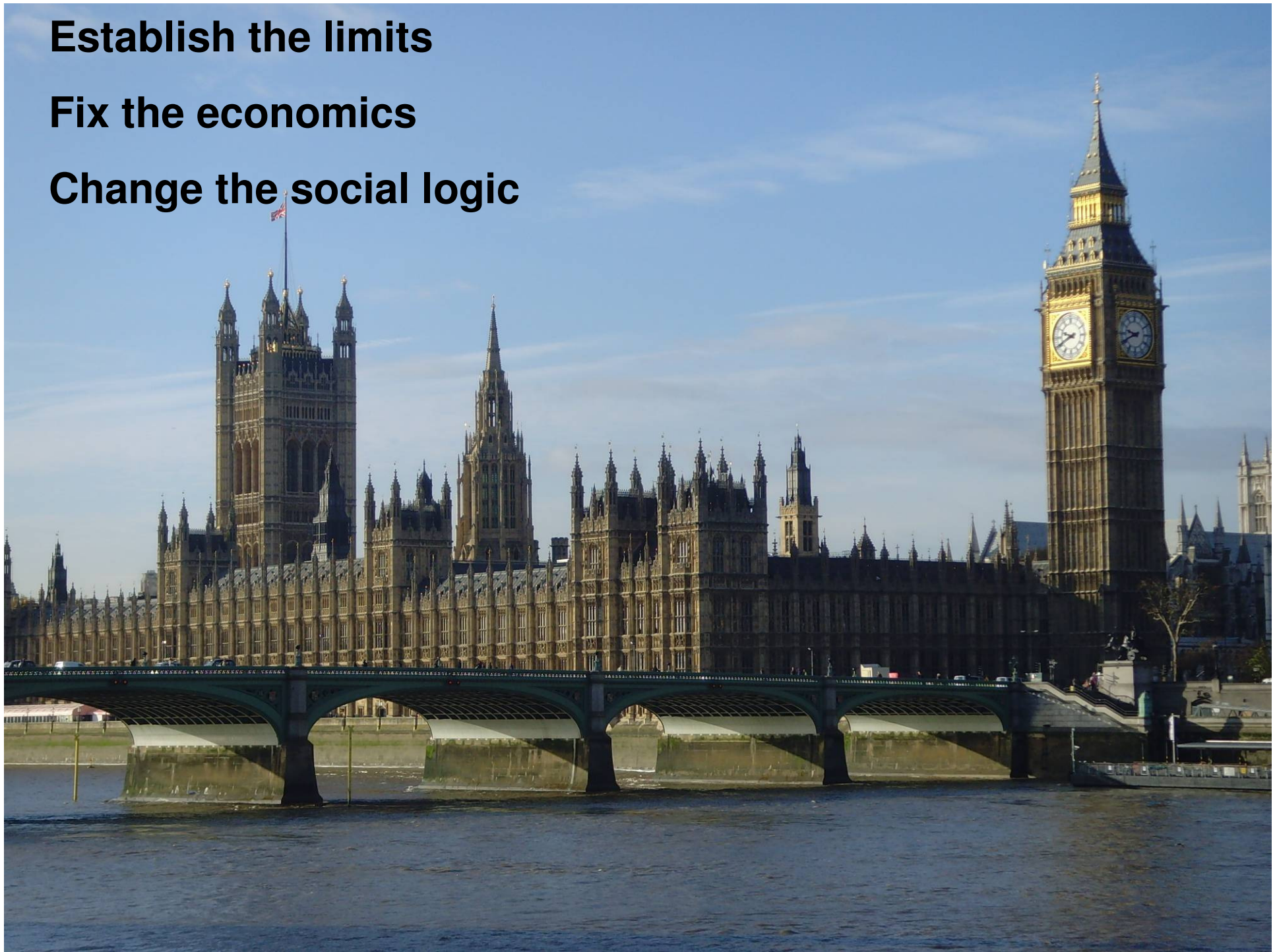
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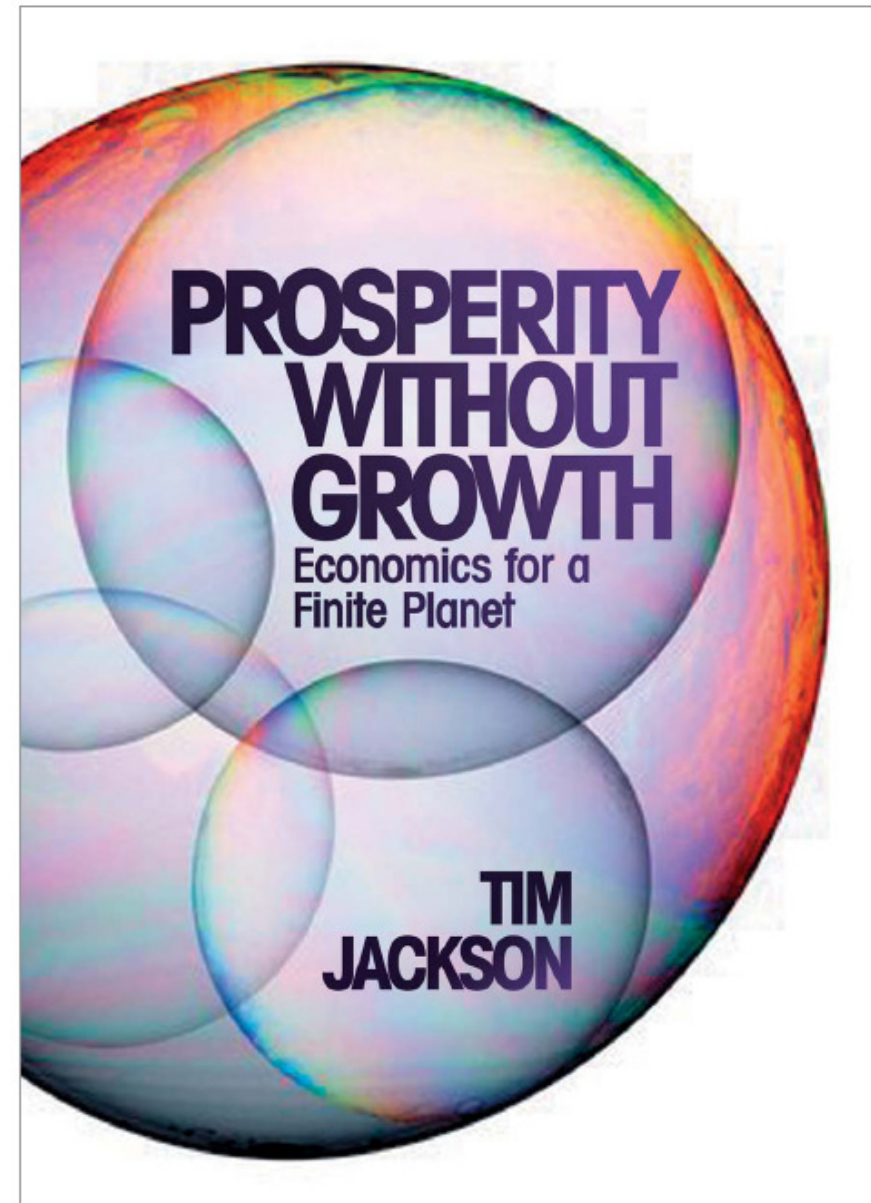




‘The crisis doesn’t only make us free to imagine other models, another future, another world. It obliges us to do so.’

President Sarkozy, September 2009

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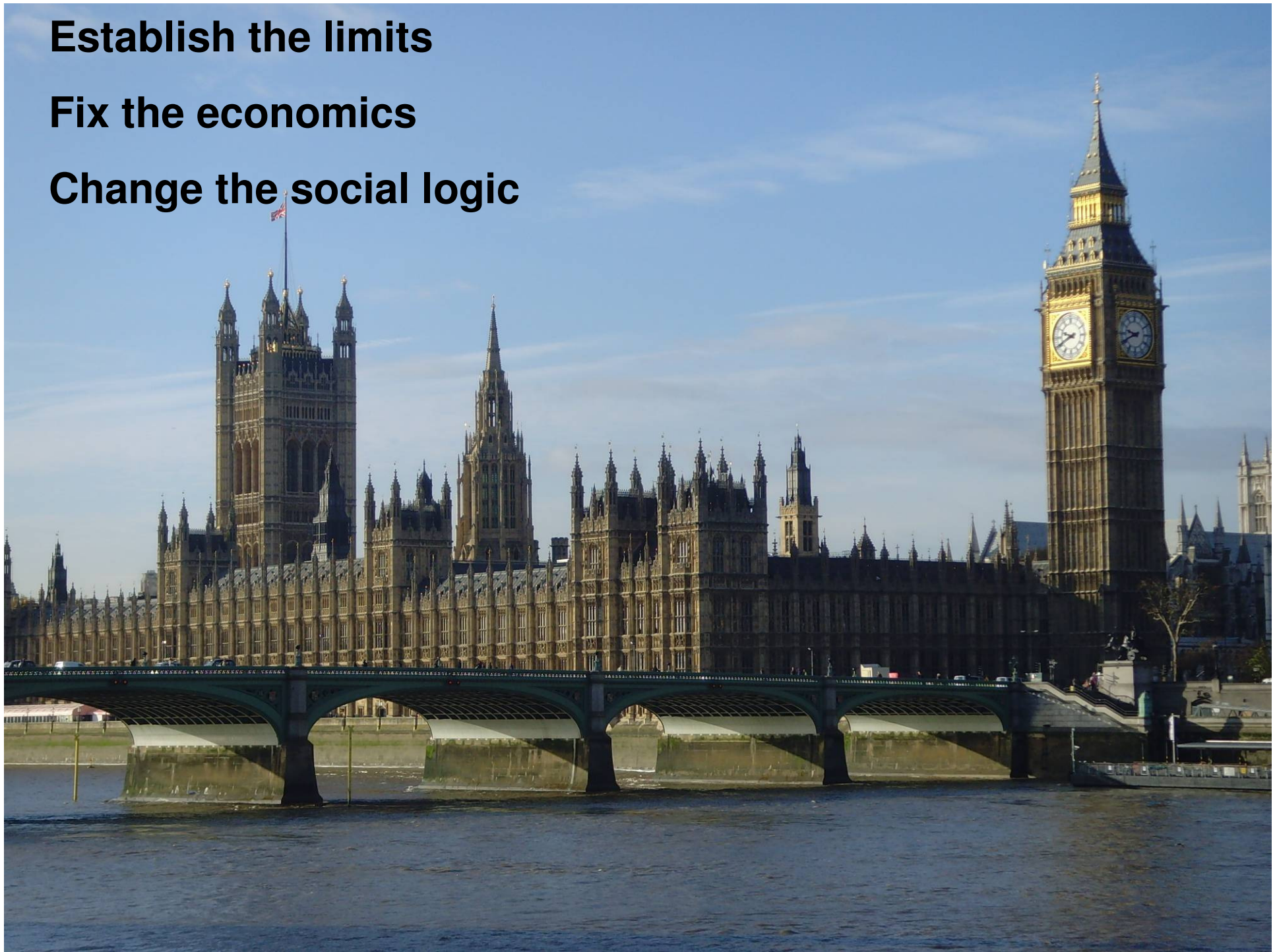
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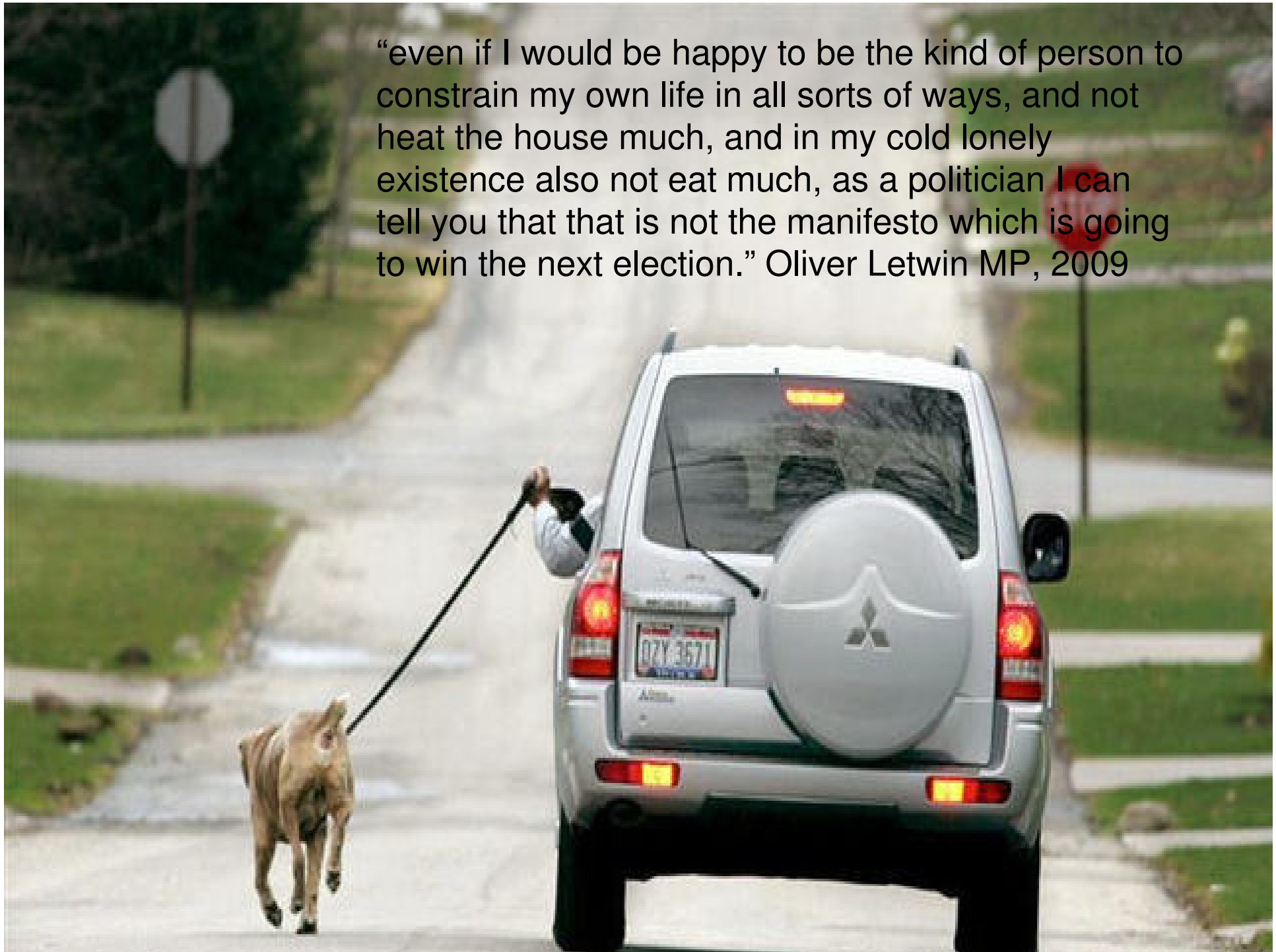
the future is local: investing in
neighbourhood infrastructure



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“even if I would be happy to be the kind of person to constrain my own life in all sorts of ways, and not heat the house much, and in my cold lonely existence also not eat much, as a politician I can tell you that that is not the manifesto which is going to win the next election.” Oliver Letwin MP, 2009



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