

# Key elements for climate action

Climate change is a wicked problem; we must collaborate to build a better and livable world. My insights summarize what I learned during my 2.5 years in the MACAL program and the various environmental and adaptation conferences I was lucky to participate in.



## CLIMATE COMMUNICATION

Related courses: Communication for Climate Action, Leading Climate Action in Society, Learning Theory and Program Design

- Start anywhere. Go everywhere. (Page, 2023)
- The most important thing you can do to fight climate change: talk about it. (Hayhoe, 2019)
- Science can't solve everything. "We need to do differently". (Suzuki, 2023)
- We gather today to talk about tomorrow. (Adaptation Future, 2023)
- Stay curious, open, and listen.

## COMMUNITY BUILDING

Related courses: Climate Risk Management, Community Development in a Global Context

- Let the communities design the session (Mentors: ICLEI and Lily Yumagulova)
- Cascading effects amplify human vulnerabilities and risks. Impacts are more substantial.
- Indigenous Wisdom matters.
- Individual actions count. We need to empower individuals to take action.
- Let's change the conversation "From what's wrong to what's strong" (Russell, TedX, 2016)

## CLIMATE JUSTICE

Related courses: Climate Policy and Governance, Designing a Practitioner Portfolio

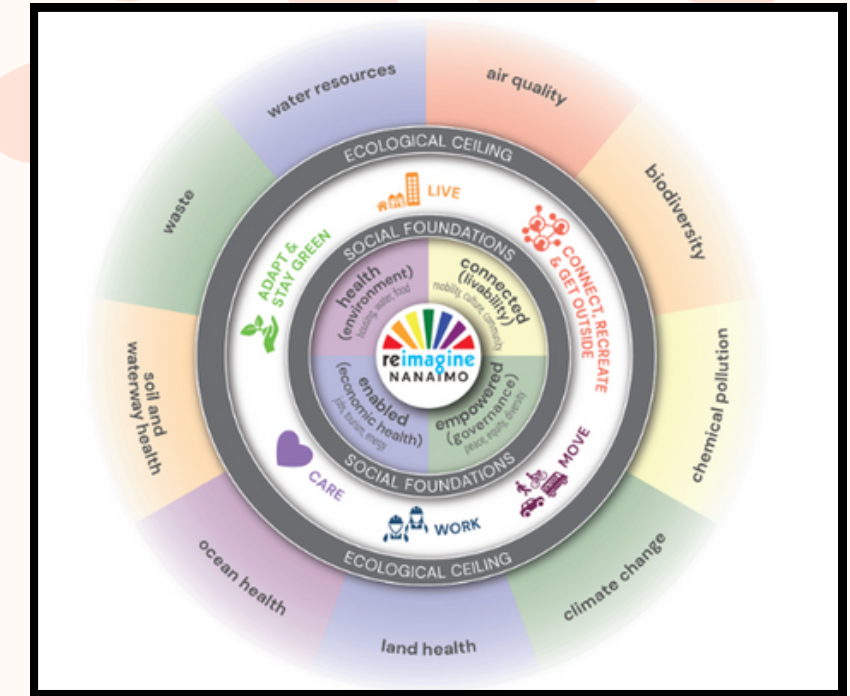
- Actions from G7 countries (the wealthiest) do count. "We look at you for guidance" (Workshop participant)
- COP 21 and 28: policy can help. Is the structure too heavy to take action?
- The cost of inaction. The Global Commission on Adaptation estimates US\$1.8 trillion 2020-30 = US\$7.1 trillion in total net benefits.

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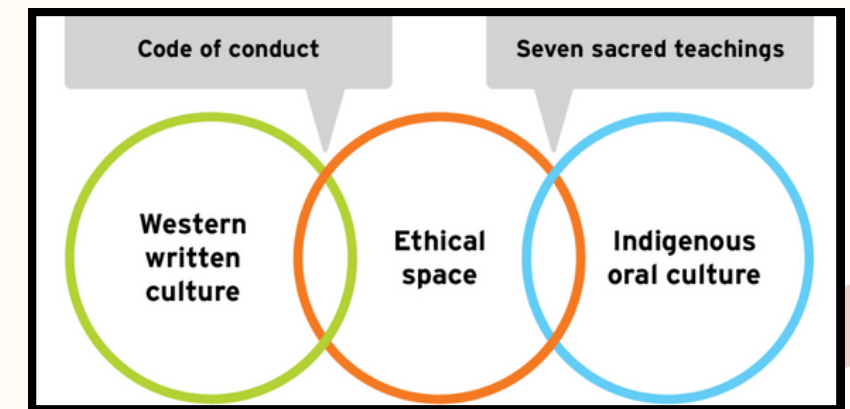
I continue educating with/for/in nature to empower individuals to take action.

A resource and reference list is available on demand and will soon be available on my portfolio.

# Useful Tools



City of Nanaimo Governance and Priorities Committee - Doughnut Economics Framework



Ethical Space - Indigenous Climate Monitoring Toolkit