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BLOOM & DOOM is conceived as a system to communicate the emergency of the climate breakdown we all are facing and inspire people to take actions now towards a more sustainable future.

In a borderland between a guided tour, a party and an activism action, BLOOM & DOOM invites the public to actively participate in an immersive experience in the city.

The tension is towards the definition of a poetic and contagious urban ritual that moves us from immobility.

A wandering clan of young people will lead the audience in an urban ritual toward the city, During the path the clan of young people will transmit to the public (the adults) their knowledge about adaptation, about how to live in a collapsing world, how to be autonomous, how to survive, how to keep dreaming.

The mission of the clan is to cross the city to reach a special place (T.A.Z.) to accomplish their ritual that -depending of the environment- will be planting some trees or reintroducing fireflies or bees.

Hand in hand we will cross the city desperately looking for a sense of the future.

They could be in trouble. We could be in trouble.

What is the danger if the biggest risk is caused by us adults, day by day?

The research field of BLOOM & DOOM are the contemporary environmental movements, the rewilding and deep adaptation theories, the languages of urban revolts, guerrilla art, participatory practices and all the hybrid terrains of expressive languages.

Everywhere BLOOM & DOOM creates a bond with the territory, at each geographical stage people who take part of it create a unique event.

When possible the performance will be accompanied by an exhibition in order to go deeper in the topic and show video and documentation of the creative participatory process.

“Every storm begins with a single drop”
comrade Orso-Lorenzo Orsetti, partisan in Rojava

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With the collaboration and participation of local schools, associations, artists and citizens

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**SOME KIDS ACCOMPANIES YOU
AROUND THE COLLAPSING WORLD.**

IT IS A RARE THING,

VERY FEW OF THEM ARE LEFT.

THEY ALREADY KNOW.

THEY WILL HELP YOU TO BE READY.

KEEP FOLLOWING THE PATH.



#1 HOW TO NESTLE

**FIND A GOOD PLACE
DRY AND PROTECTED FROM THE WIND
AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.
LIGHT A FIRE IF YOU CAN.
FIND OR BUILD A SHELTER.
BETTER IF YOU STAY CLOSE TO YOUR COMPANIONS.
BUT ONLY TO THEM.**



#2 HOW TO FIND FOOD

FORGET SUPERMARKETS.

LOOK CAREFULLY.

IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CONCRETE,

YOU CAN STILL FIND FOOD

IN THE FORM OF PRECIOUS PLANTS.

WARNING.

SOME OF THEM ARE POISONOUS.



#3 HOW TO DIE

-IF NEEDED-

**SOMETIMES IT IS ENOUGH TO PRETEND TO BE DEAD
BUT IF NEEDED YOU MUST BE PREPARED.
TAKE YOUR MOST BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES
AND A POINT OF OXIDIANA.
ONE GESTURE.
SHARP.**



#4 HOW TO FIND THE DIRECTION

**THE SKY, THE STARS
AND EVERY LITTLE THING REMAINING ON EARTH
CAN GIVE YOU INFORMATION
ABOUT THE DIRECTION,
ABOUT THE PAST AND THE FUTURE.
LOOK, READ,
ACCEPT.**



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He told me about when he thought of killing himself, how to do it. Imagining different ways of dying and consequences.

ABSTRACT from

[Deep Adaptation: A Map for Navigating Climate Tragedy, 2019](#)

Professor Jem Bendell BA (Hons) PhD

Occasional Papers are released by the Institute of Leadership and Sustainability (IFLAS) at the University of Cumbria in the UK to promote discussion amongst scholars and practitioners on specific themes.

“The purpose of this conceptual paper is to provide readers with an opportunity to reassess their work and life in the face of an inevitable near- term social collapse due to climate change.

The approach of the paper is to analyse recent studies on climate change and its implications for our ecosystems, economies and societies, as provided by academic journals and publications direct from research institutes.

That synthesis leads to a conclusion there will be a near-term collapse in society with serious ramifications for the lives of readers. The paper reviews some of the reasons why collapse-denial may exist, in particular, in the professions of sustainability research and practice, therefore leading to these arguments having been absent from these fields until now.

The paper offers a new meta-framing of the implications for research, organisational practice, personal development and public policy, called the Deep Adaptation Agenda. Its key aspects of resilience, relinquishment and restorations are explained. This agenda does not seek to build on existing scholarship on “climate adaptation” as it is premised on the view that social collapse is now inevitable.

The author believes this is one of the first papers in the sustainability management field to conclude that climate-induced societal collapse is now inevitable in the near term and therefore to invite scholars to explore the implications.”

Read the Paper:

<https://www.lifeworth.com/deepadaptation.pdf>

Around 0.9 billion hectares of land worldwide would be suitable for reforestation, which could ultimately capture two thirds of human-made carbon emissions. The Crowther Lab of ETH Zurich has published a study in the journal *Science* that shows this would be the most effective method to combat climate change.

ABSTRACT from

[The global tree restoration potential](#)

Jean-Francois Bastin, Yelena Finegold, Claude Garcia, Danilo Mollicone, Marcelo Rezende, Devin Routh, Constantin M. Zohner, Thomas W. Crowther.

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“The restoration of trees remains among the most effective strategies for climate change mitigation. We mapped the global potential tree coverage to show that 4.4 billion hectares of canopy cover could exist under the current climate. Excluding existing trees and agricultural and urban areas, we found that there is room for an extra 0.9 billion hectares of canopy cover, which could store 205 gigatonnes of carbon in areas that would naturally support woodlands and forests. This highlights global tree restoration as our most effective climate change solution to date. However, climate change will alter this potential tree coverage. We estimate that if we cannot deviate from the current trajectory, the global potential canopy cover may shrink by ~223 million hectares by 2050, with the vast majority of losses occurring in the tropics. Our results highlight the opportunity of climate change mitigation through global tree restoration but also the urgent need for action.”

Read the research:

<https://science.sciencemag.org/content/365/6448/76>



T.A.Z. - *Temporary autonomous zone*

Coined in 1990 by poet, anarcho-immediatist and Sufi scholar Hakim Bey, the term *temporary autonomous zone* (T.A.Z.) seeks to preserve the creativity, energy, and enthusiasm of autonomous uprisings without replicating the inevitable betrayal and violence that has been the reaction to most revolutions throughout history. The answer, according to Bey, lies in refusing to wait for a revolutionary moment. Instead, we must create spaces of freedom in the immediate present while avoiding direct confrontation with the state.

A T.A.Z. is a liberated area “of land, time or imagination” where one can be *for* something, not just against, and where new ways of being human together can be explored and experimented with. Locating itself in the cracks and fault lines in the global grid of control and alienation, a T.A.Z. is an eruption of free culture where life is experienced at maximum intensity. It should feel like an exceptional party where, for a brief moment, our desires are made manifest and we all become the creators of the art of everyday life.