

# What does it mean to respond to change? Insights from the Solomon Islands

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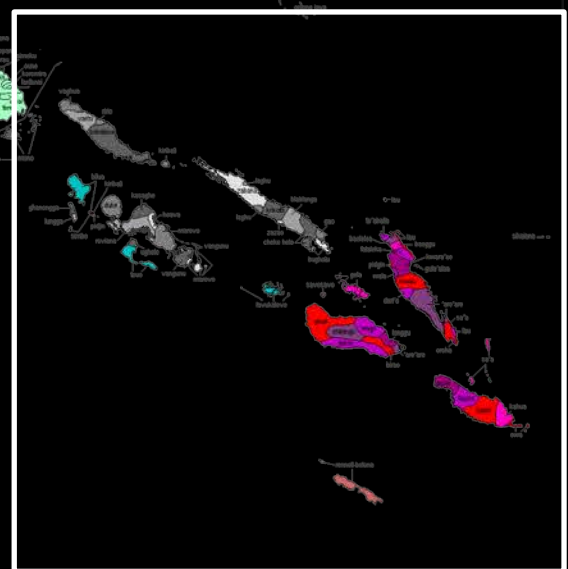
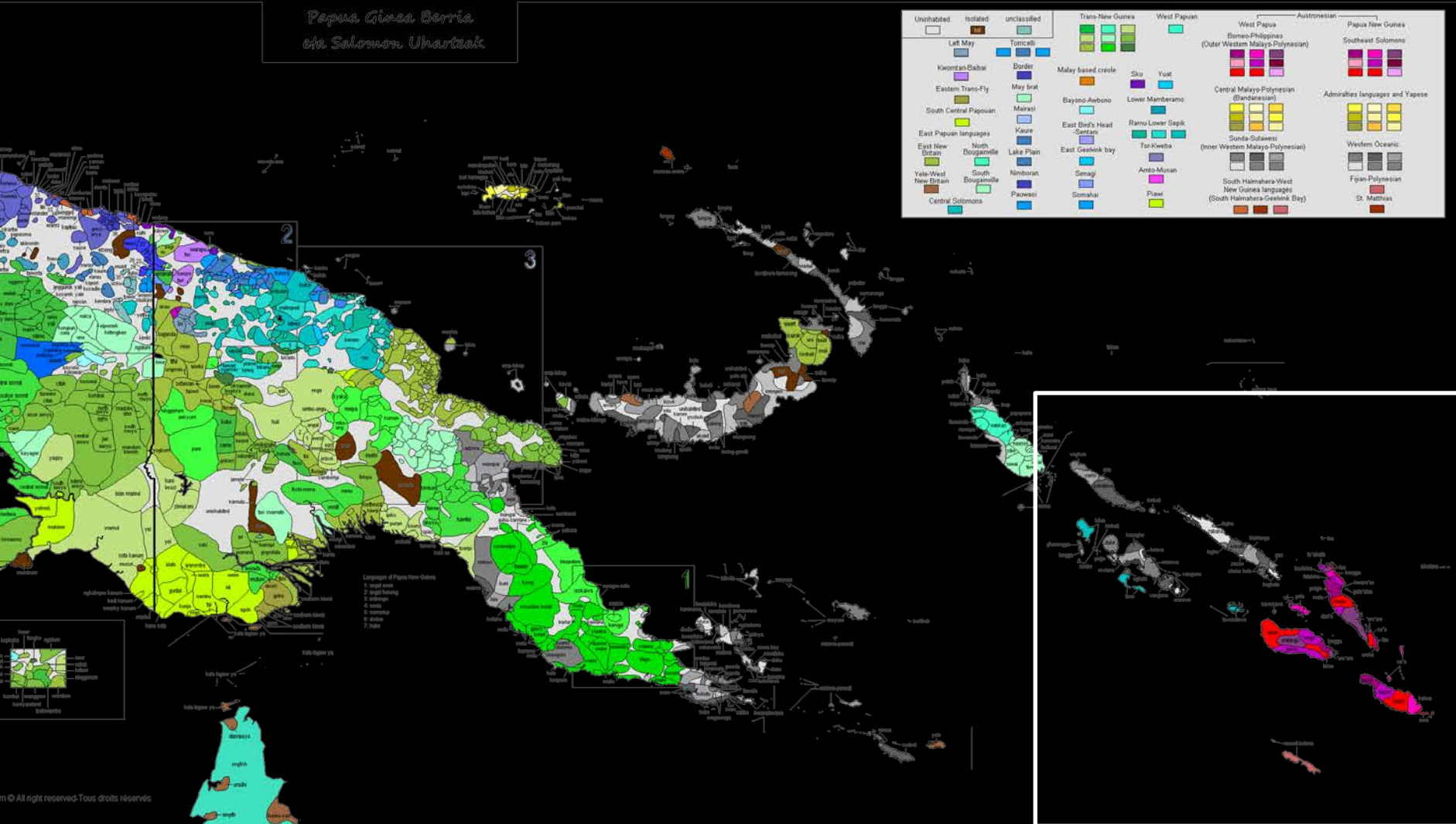
# *The Future Earth*





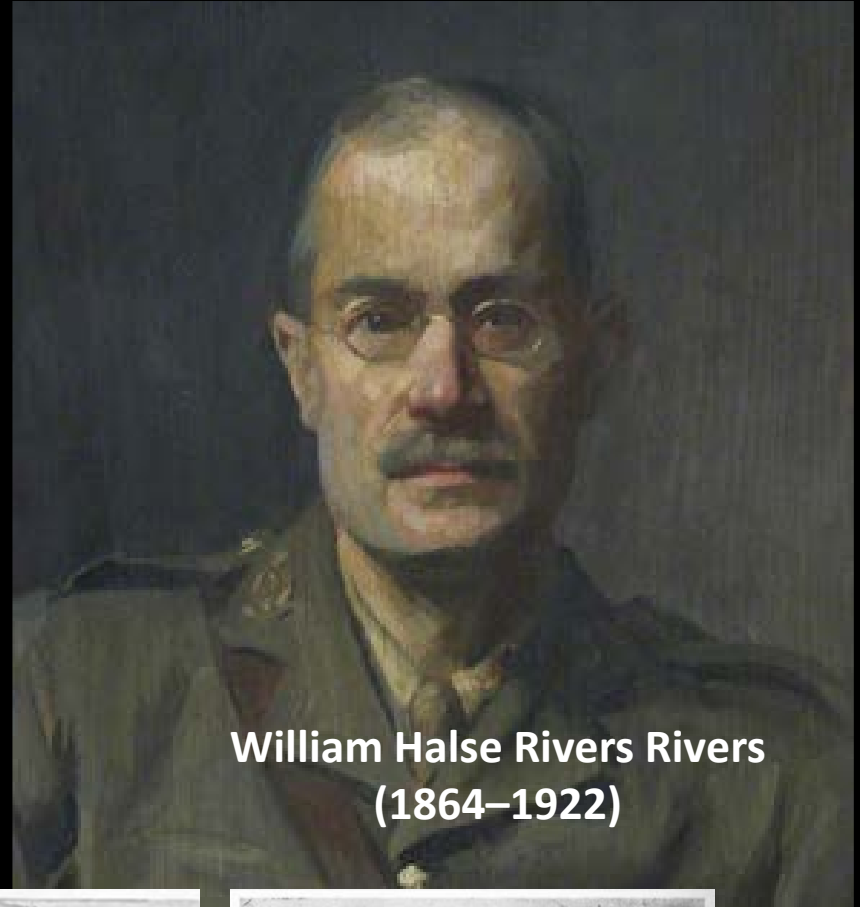


*Papua Guinea Berria  
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**William Halse Rivers Rivers  
(1864–1922)**



The *Glencairn* — a typical Schooner

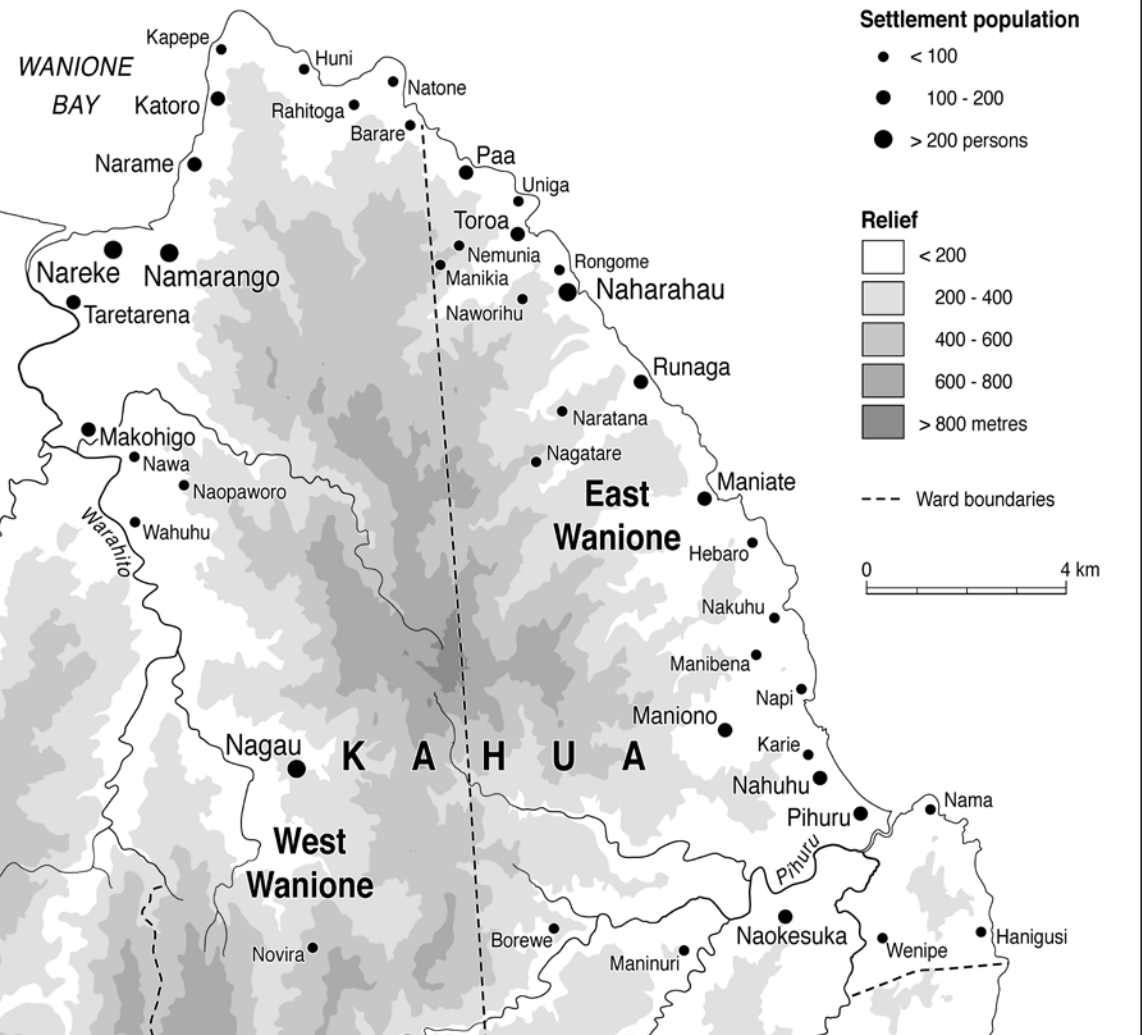














## **Reduction in resources:**

- **Yields in gardens**
- **Space for gardens**
- **Building resources**
- **Marine resources**







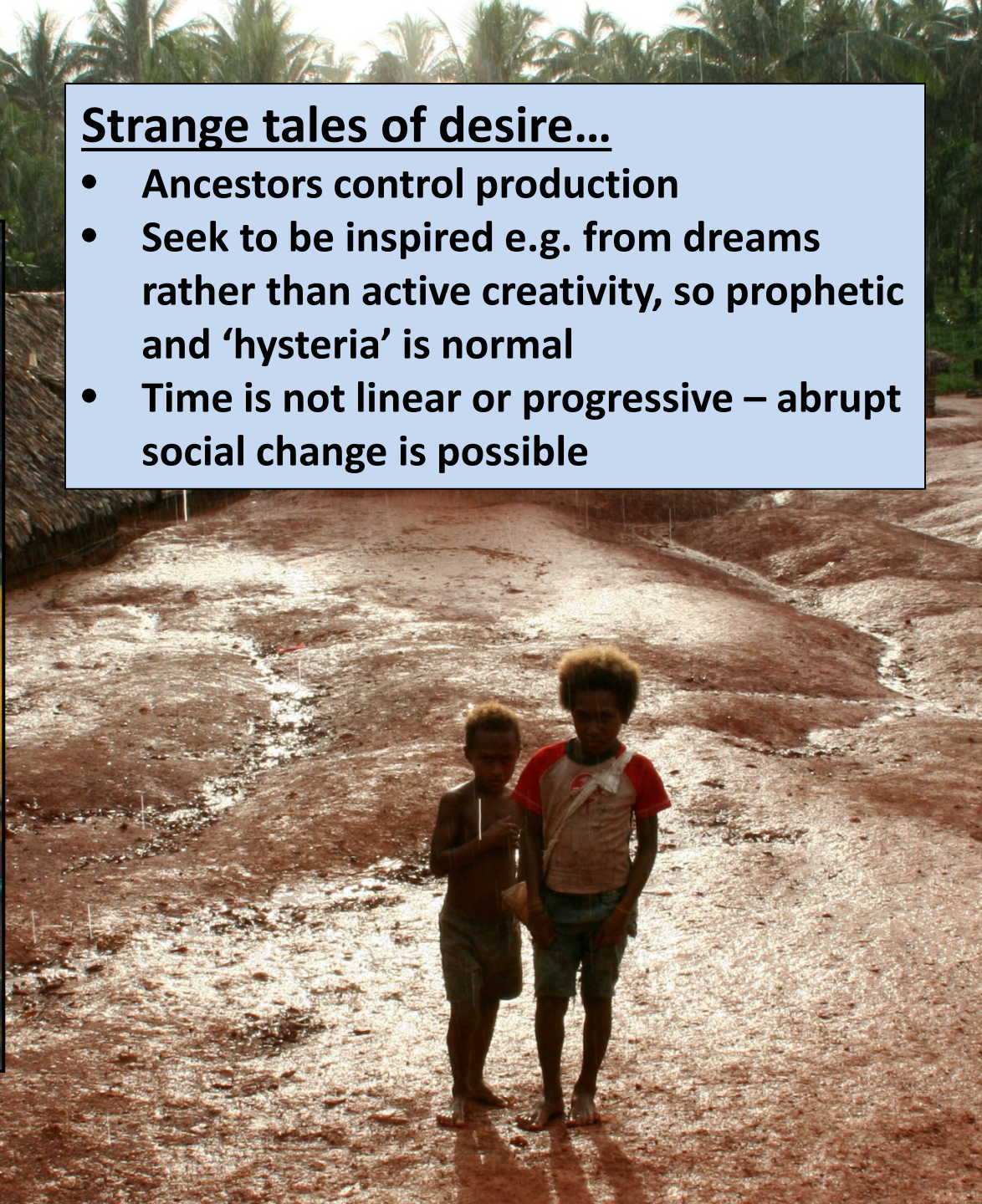
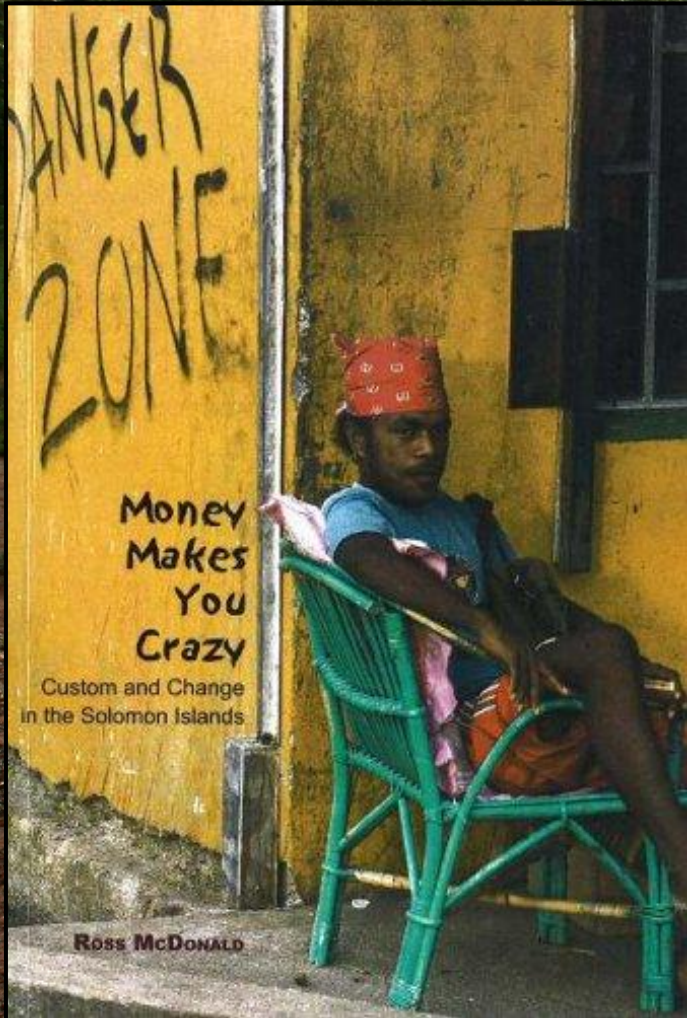






## Strange tales of desire...

- Ancestors control production
- Seek to be inspired e.g. from dreams rather than active creativity, so prophetic and 'hysteria' is normal
- Time is not linear or progressive – abrupt social change is possible



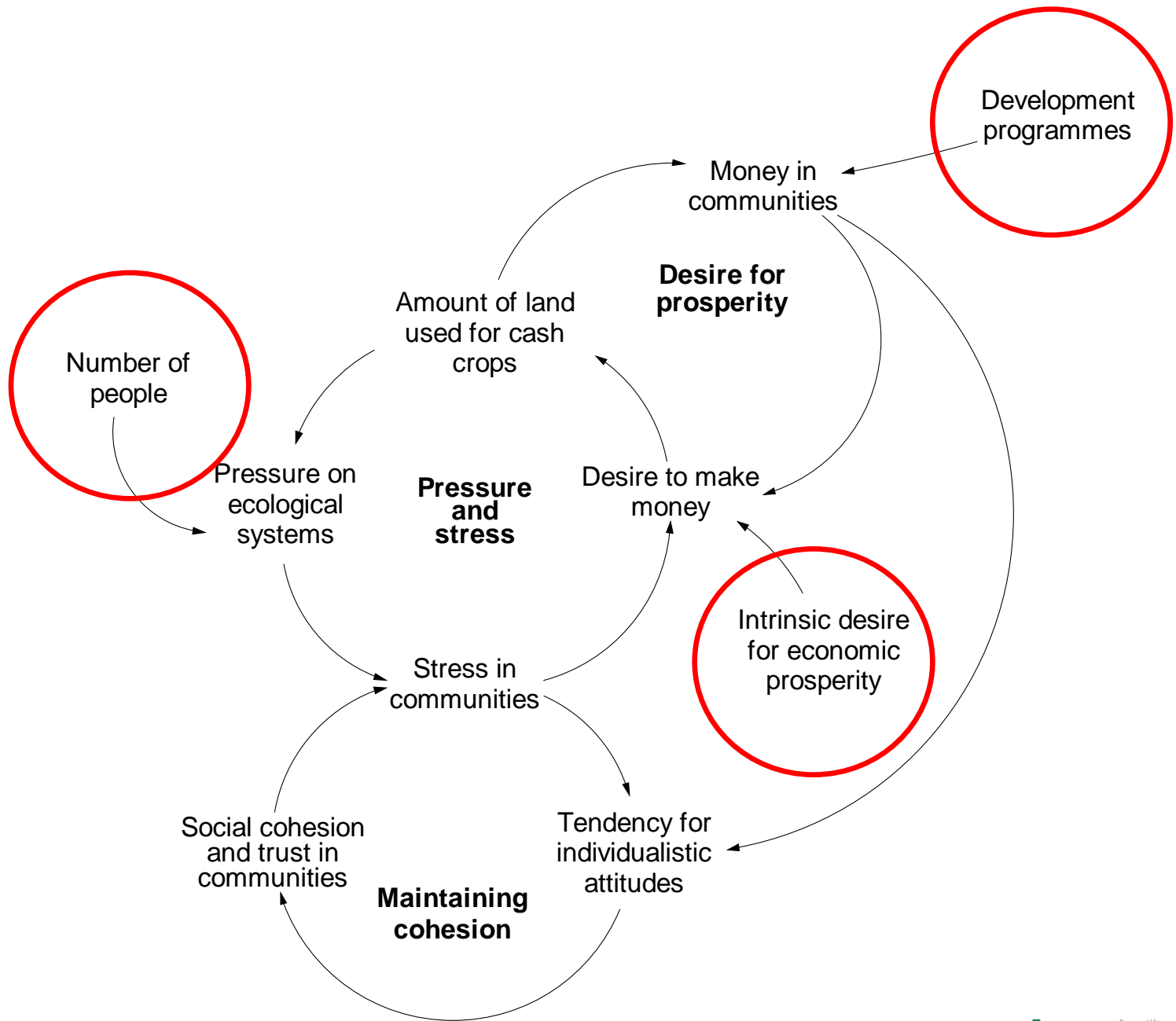


# Key changes

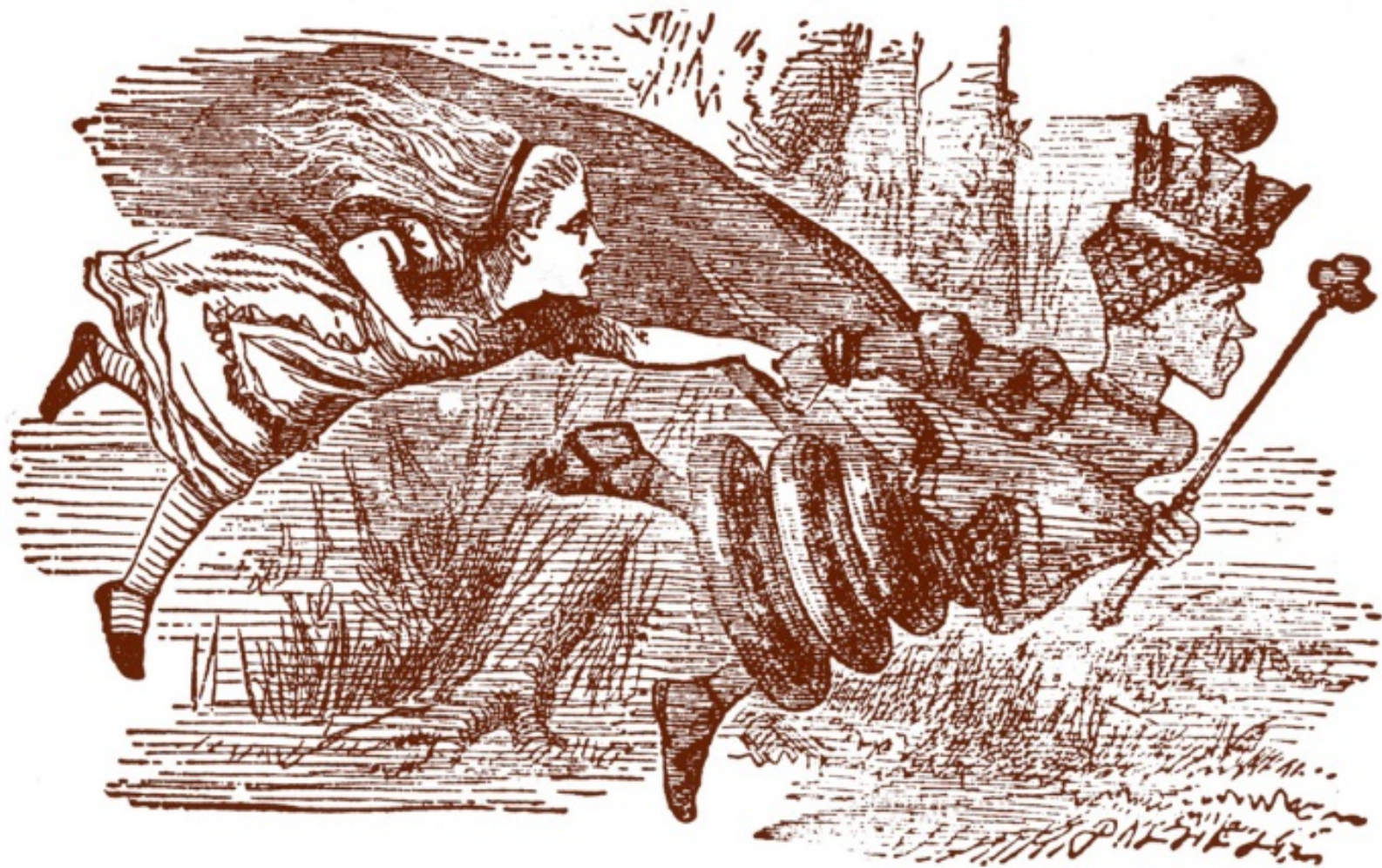
- Resources, food, water
- Money
  - Jealousy, Desire
  - Access to education/health
  - Individualistic attitudes
- Social cohesion and trust
- Disputes
- Old ways of solving problems don't work or are breaking down











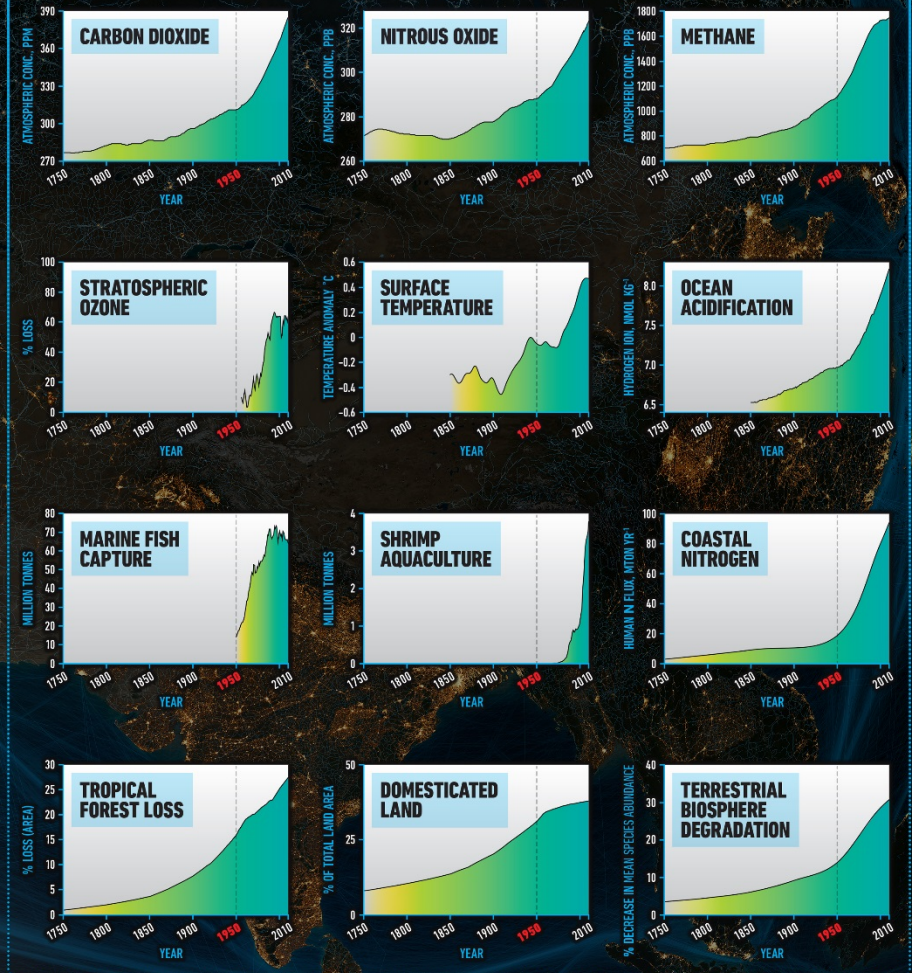


# THE GREAT ACCELERATION

## SOCIO-ECONOMIC TRENDS



## EARTH SYSTEM TRENDS



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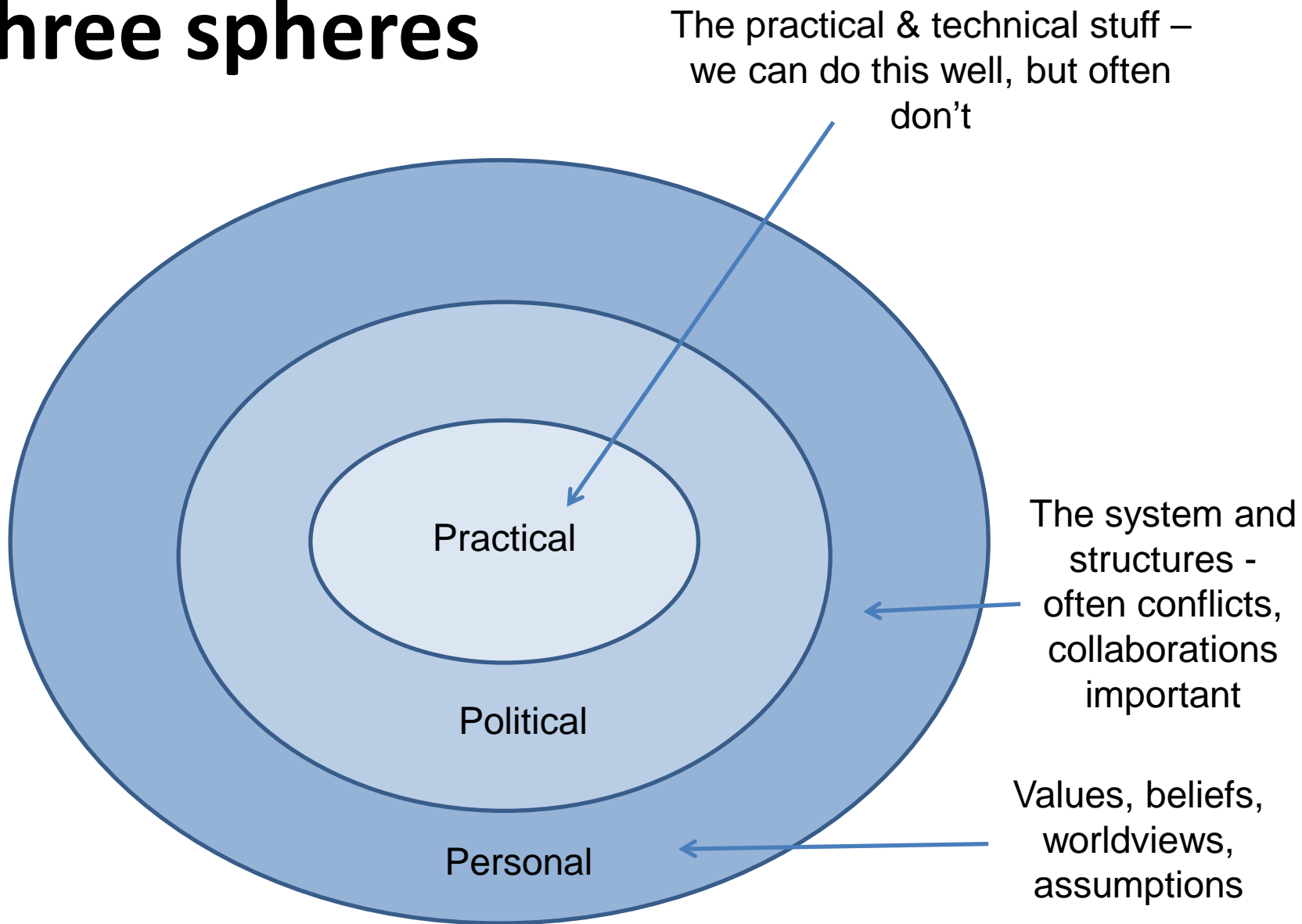
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# The change of change

- Change is the norm
- Many innovations don't get us off the treadmill, they accelerate it
- We are good at responding to change, but not in proactive ways that result in new patterns of change
- Adjust, reform or transform?



# Three spheres



O'Brien, K. and Sygna, L. (2013) Responding to climate change: The three spheres of transformation

*“perhaps the most profound act of transformation facing humanity as it comes to live with... change requires a cultural shift from seeing adaptation as managing the environment ‘out there’ to learning how to reorganize... relationships, procedures and underlying values ‘in here’.” Pelling (2010: 88)*



