

The Commons as the new narrative for the 21 Century

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When talking about
the commons...





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short term



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Abuse? No!

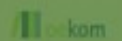
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Wem gehört die Welt?

Zur Wiederentdeckung der Gemeingüter



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„Commons are the hidden
secret of our prosperity.“

Wolfgang Sachs





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What's a commons?



*function



„Natural commons are necessary for our survival, while social commons ensure social cohesion, and cultural commons are required for our self directed passion.“

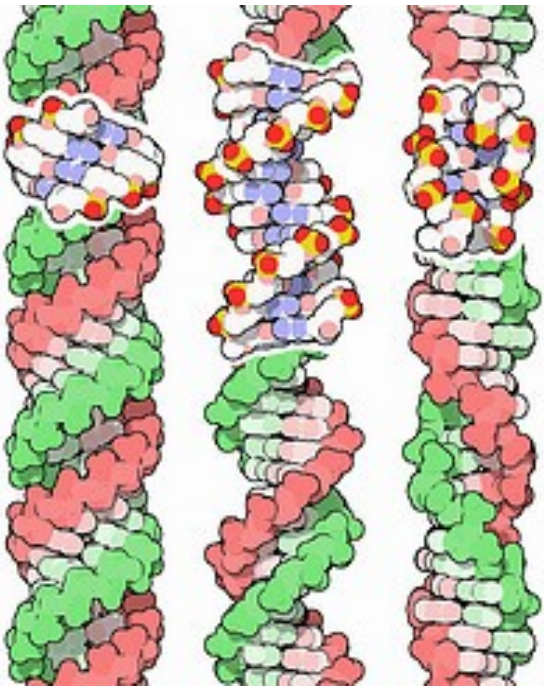
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*architecture







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common pool
resource





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**shared understanding of
how to use a
common pool resource**



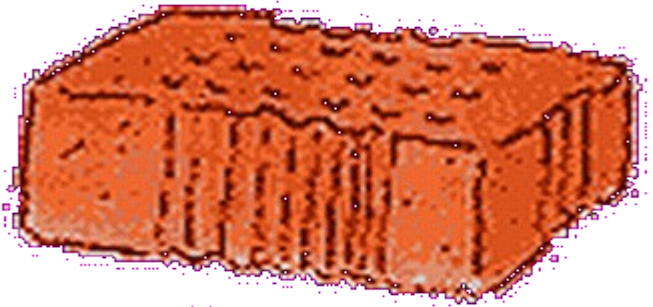
use rights
instead of
exclusive private property rights



possession



community
local, regional, global



common pool
resource





**„There are no commons
without commoning!“**

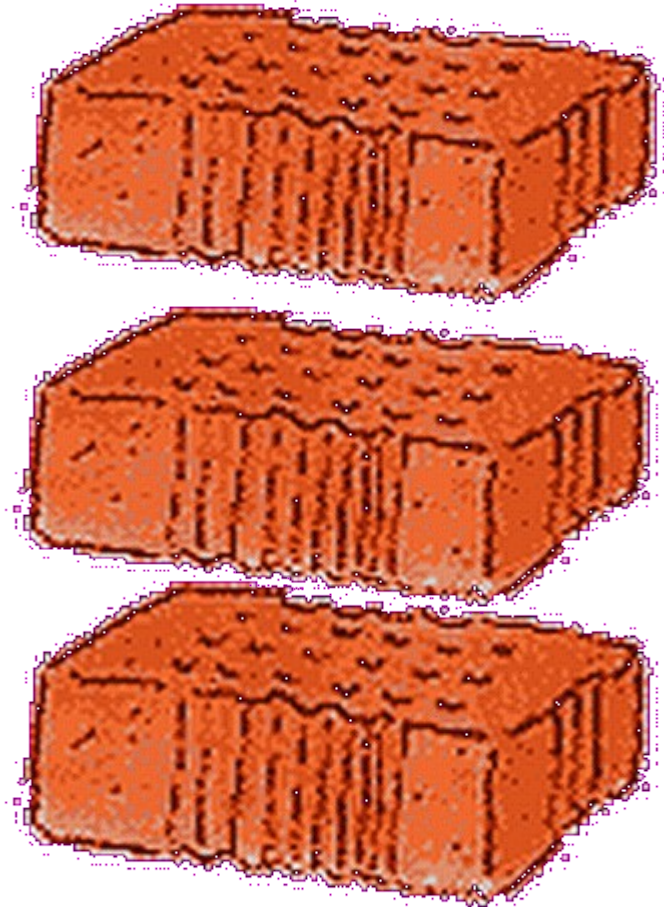


commons architecture

set of rules
self-determined

community
(local, regional, global)

common pool
resource



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What is wrong and
how to change it?







"Share This" Icon Concept #1

sharing



success

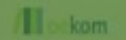
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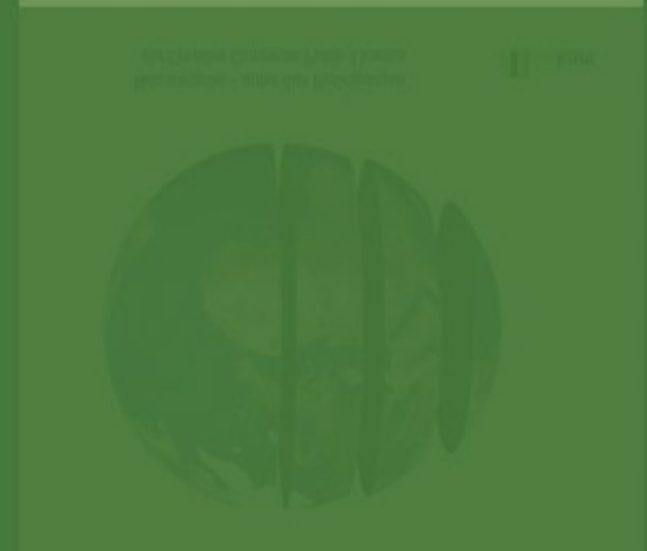
“Whoever fills the commons,
rather than just drawing from them,
deserves prestige and social recognition.”

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Principles of a commons culture

- decentralization
- diversity
- cooperation
- relationality



Wem gehört

design framework	present paradigm	commons paradigm
purpose:	↑ GDP / accumulation	↑ social prosperity
main actors:	economic player/ State	communities/ citizen
decision making:	hierarchical	horizontal /peer-review processus
decision taking:	judgement/command	constructive criticism /participation
condition:	control (proprietary standards)	openness (open standards)
incentive for:	profit & accumulation	creativity & innovation
results		
On the resource level:	erosion, enclosure	reproduction, fair-share
On the social level:	dependence, inequality	interdependence within community, autonomy
On the level of rules:	acceptance enforced by power, by money or by law	high level of acceptance
dominant strategy	out-compete	(out-)cooperate

„The future will reward those who collaborate, and that collaboration may even save the asses of those who don't.“
Cliff Figallo



Contribute to the commons!
It's easy





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