

Addressing the societal challenge of climate change – the academic challenge John R Porter

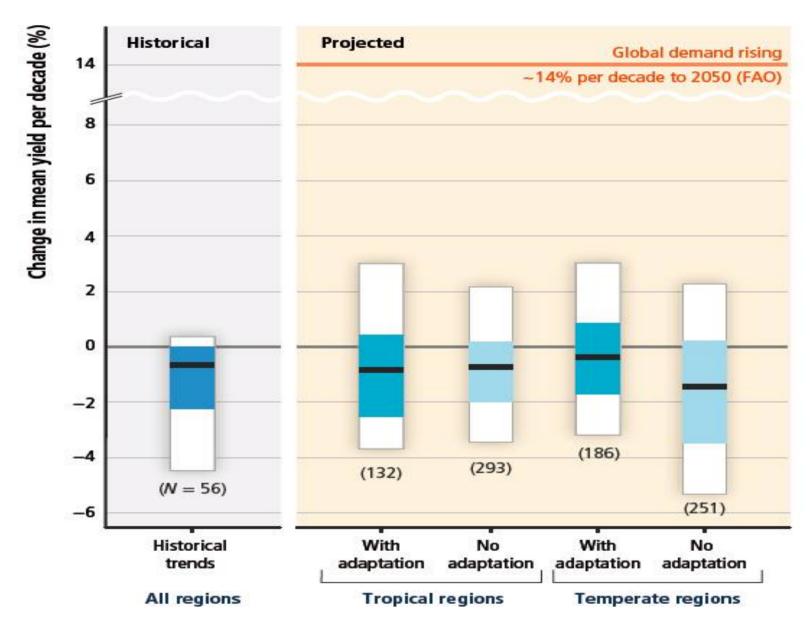
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Education in climate change science, policy and law.

Research in climate change impacts and mitigation.

Global outreach.



Porter et al. 2014

Education

Module 6 – KU Climate Change, Impact, Adaptation and Mitigation

E-learning

www.climate-change.dk



An initial spark.....for inspiration!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FRwo01maYqY

The core.....

Oral powerpoint – pre-recorded – maximum 15 minutes. Can be replayed.

Literature for the students to read – IPCC WG2 Chapter 7 (www.ipcc.ch).

Online questions and discussions by the teachers, assistants and students.

Summary of the topics discussed.

Assessment.....

Students evaluated on a learning objective scale.

Teachers evaluated by student comments.

Country wide mitigation and adaptation plans written and evaluated.

Course evaluation.

LO level assessment...

Research

Applied, speculative and relevant

Combined Food, Fodder and Energy System

• Biomass hedges and crops

• Crop rotation

• Organic management

• Energy neutral

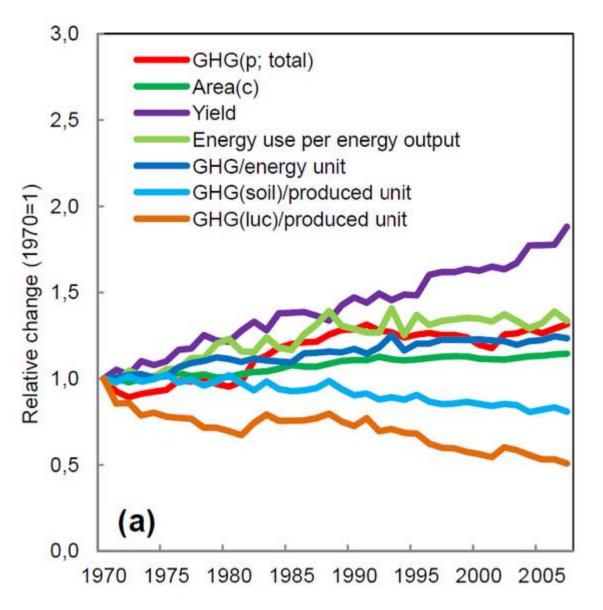


What economic and environmental services do we get out of the CFE system?

Food and fodder and biomass for energy
Pollination support
Soil erosion control and nutrient retention
C sequestration and mitigation
Biological control of pests
Farmland biodiversity
Recreation

Sustainable agriculture

Emissions per unit food production...



Bennetzen et al., 2015

The European Food System – How Resilient?

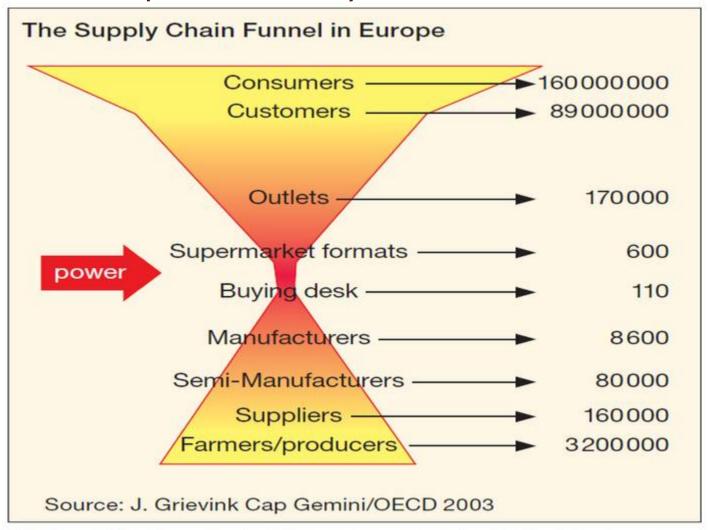
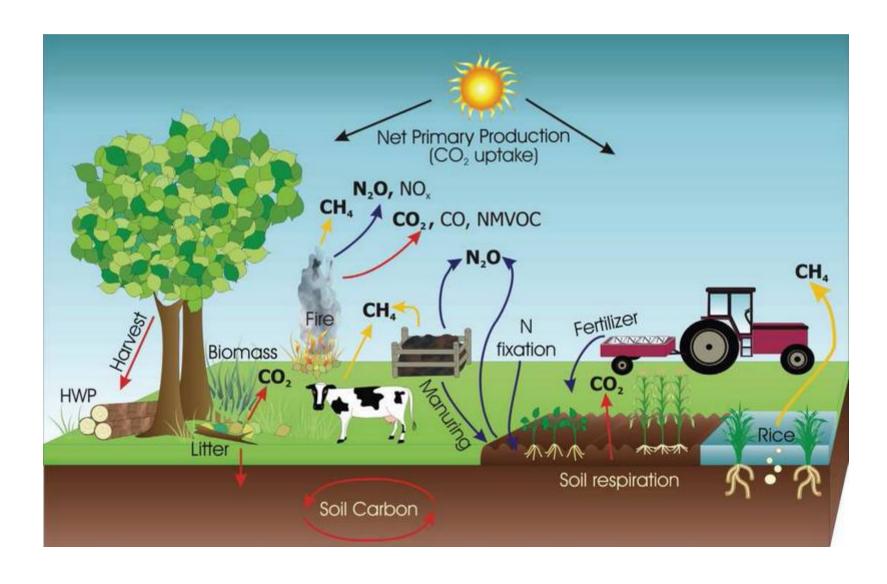
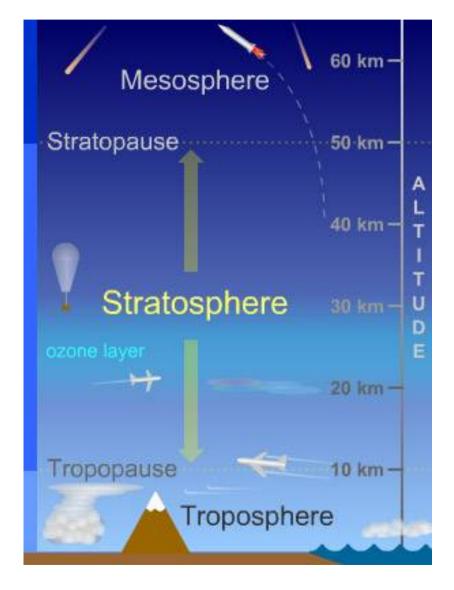


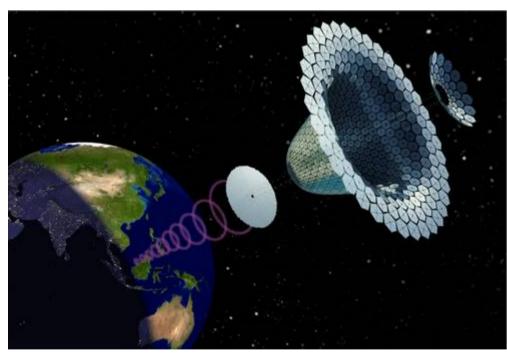
Figure 4.25. Supermarket buyer concentration in the European food supply

CO2 going down...



We have to speculate...CO2 going up





NASA, 2012

Going global....

Need a common vision – rectors extremely important here.

Need to value teaching from engaged researchers.

Need to have staff involved with international organisations.

Need to embrace the newest means to communicate with young people – but please no dumbing down

Need to make international networks that have support and resources and DO something.