DEEPER CITY

Collective intelligence in 40 pathways from smart to wise

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Hyper-urbanization, rampant inequality, climate change, invasive technology, elite power grabs – all are catastrophically open questions. For up to 10 billion people to live on one planet in peace and prosperity, this calls for a rethink on how to organize our cities and economies and societies.

We need a next-generation 'operating system', a new social contract. We need some kind of *collective intelligence* which can learn and think ahead. This is about more than 'clever' production of stuff, and more than 'smart' cities of surveillance. This is about the human dimension – '*wise'* (or at least '*wiser'*), in all possible ways.

Deeper City is the world's first mapping of such a collective intelligence with its many *deeper* layers. It's also about designing pathways, from 'smart' systems of 'winner-takes-all', to 'wise' (or at least '*wiser'*) systems of 'winners-are-all'. The result is a starter pack of 40 'pathways from smart to wise', together with practical guidance:

- **Cities-III:** from 'smart to wise' in the spatial dimension, where urban structures can self-organize and co-evolve.

- **Economies-III**: from 'evolutionary to co-evolutionary', with new thinking on *local-onomics*, *circul-onomics* and wiser finance.

- **Ecologies-III**: from 'ecosystems services to eco-social-communities', with pathways for food, climate change and adaptation.

- **Technologies-III**: from 'smart platforms to collective human-artificial intelligence', in digital services, education and science.

- **Political-III**: from 'power-over hierarchy to power-with networks', with pathways for organizations, public services, political economy.

- **Local-Global-III**: from 'smart overseas development to wiser global co-evolution', with practical setup of the *Multi-versity* (where everyone learns with everyone).

- **Mind-Games** follows a (fictional) experiment in graphic storylining, in which the pathways take off on a wilder tangent…

With pictures and conversations, a field manual and examples, this book helps to build bridges between vision, theory and practice. *Deeper City* is for those seeking a sustainable future, from local to global – researchers and policy-makers, inventors and investors, students and teachers, analysts and activists – anyone who could use a map for the perils and promises ahead.

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