

CONCRETE INITIATIVES AND THE NEED FOR NEW MINDSETS

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In the morning session participants were asked to relate to the two scenarios presented in a shorter term perspective and titled “Urban Minds / Man made world” and “Mind of Nature / Power of Nature”. Participants were divided in nine groups – 4 groups working with Urban Minds and 5 groups working with Mind of Nature. Firstly, the participants were asked to identify specific initiatives that are advancing the sustainability agenda of the scenario they were working with. Secondly, the participants were asked to identify the need for – if any – a new mindset. Below, we have summarised the main responses.

Point at the 1-2 most urgent mind sets we need to address now. From what mind set to what mind set?	FROM A MINDSET	TO A MINDSET
URBAN MINDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No mistakes - “Janteloven” - From my stuff - Youth values / individualistic - Space, buildings, structures - - - Static - - - Reduce bad - Cost price 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Embrace mistakes - Frontrunner - To sharing - We-me-we - Reinvent local, nearby adventures and experiences - Renting things - Living, relations, experience, interaction, community - Flow - Do good - Sustainability price. Include environmental impact in pricing
MIND OF NATURE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Short term obsolescence - Engineering (mechanism) - (Hacking code) - Limited systems thinking - Short sightedness - As a consumer - Symptom, relief thinking - (hunger...everything) - Hardware - Material consumption - Individualism - From getting - Using space - Valuing material growth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Long term permanence - Ecology (organism) - (Hacking DNA) - Being part of something bigger - Part of a cycle - Where you are a producer - Prevention - - Music i.e. immaterial consumption - Collective thinking - - To giving - Valuing freeing space



NAME UP TO 3 NEW INITIATIVES / PROJECTS THAT ARE ADVANCING THE SUSTAINABILITY AGENDA OF URBAN MINDS / MIND OF NATURE IN IMPORTANT WAYS APPLYING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

URBAN MINDS /
MAN MADE WORLD

- Bornholm congress center, Denmark
- Political "technology"
- Bike-train-bike (BTB)
- Urban farming
- New technologies for self-sustaining cities
- Public initiative (light rail in Aarhus)
- Totnes transition town
- Distortion Copenhagen (social technology)
- Industrial symbiosis – waste management
- Building regulation – in 2020 all buildings has to be energy+
- Carbon pricing – private people can sell c-waste
- Public Purchase should be sustainable

MIND OF NATURE /
POWER OF NATURE

- Biomimicry foundation – 10 rules of biomimicry as design criteria for excellence. E.g. Wes Jacksons initiatives in perennial agriculture.
- Establishing quantitative validations for supporting and facilitating ecological services (ecosystem services).
- Sourcemap.org – awareness of resource sourcing, implications for social justice and natural justice.
- Local initiatives as seen in Totnes, UK and Nørrebro in Copenhagen
- Rio +20
- Global village – design education (UNESCO)
- Local or global – local not enough but necessary. Common sense – has to be possible to replicate all over. Sharing knowledge.
- Example with making our own vegetable, meat e.g. in your garden.
- Diversity amongst both nature and people. We need a mind shift to learn our kids about the more traditional way of things.
- Bhutan Gross national happiness index which among other contain state of nature.
- Svanholm as a large scale ecological (and social) experiment/demonstration project.
- Copenhagen's food community. There are now 4 stores where members can buy local organic vegetables and do volunteer work.
- EU Nature 2000 initiative
- Hydro biological restoration in Grib Skov, Denmark
- Skjern Å, Denmark restoration project