



# EFOW Year 2025 in Review- Summary of Notes (vs 2.0)



Adriaan Kamp's "Energy For One World" blognotes throughout 2025 focused on the conclusion of the Decade of Action (2015–2025) and the need for a fundamental global realignment. The recurring key message was the urgency of executing a "Integral Good Future Making and Change," shifting global systems from a (mostly) profit-driven model to a more balanced one, and also centered on planetary and societal well-being. The year's program was summarized as "Focusing on the Essentials" to achieve "Energy Free of Concerns & Societies Free of Concerns."



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## Key Observation on the State of the World and Events

Kamp's central observation was that the world in 2025 was defined by systemic crisis and geopolitical fragmentation, which threatened to derail energy, climate and development goals.

# **The Systemic Crisis**

- \* The System A vs. System B Paradigm: Kamp critiqued the continued dominance of (the intense parts of) "System A"—the unsustainable economic model rooted in extraction, short-term profit, polutions or mis-use and self-interest. He championed the drives and urgent need to transition to "System B," which is based on well-being, cooperation, and long-term planetary health.
- \* UN at 80: A major theme was the 80th anniversary of the UN. Kamp's blognotes repeatedly analyzed the institution's effectiveness, concluding that institutional reform is mandatory<sup>1</sup> to foster the collaboration required for complex global challenges.

## **Key Events and Political Observations**

- \* The Trump 2.0 Era: The US Inauguration and the early policies of the new Trump administration (dubbed "Trump 2.0" in the March and April notes) were scrutinized for their potential negative impact on international energy, climate policy and cooperation. The observations highlighted the volatility of geopolitics and the subsequent difficulty in maintaining unified global energy and climate strategies.
- \* The Road to COP30 Belem: A central focus in the latter half of the year (November/December notes) was the lead-up to the World Leaders Summit at COP30 Belem, which was viewed as the critical final test of global commitment following the decade of the Paris Agreement. Kamp stressed the need for equitable climate finance and stronger Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). Kamp also outlined the present widening gap between "what the Leaders in Energy and Economy Sector were do-ing and prognosing" and that what was being discussed in the COPs and between the country delegates and negotiators. There is a clear need for a reform of the COP process, its organisation and alignment with rest of GeoPolitics/Geo-economics- and a much better responsive and responsible BigOil and Energy Corporate Leadership², The differences between China Energy Approach- and that of the West, could be held as a learning lesson: without (market) reforms no new progress.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> E.g. Strengthening Integral Regional Centres- for UN Development efforts

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See also: Evolving of Ethics in BigOil over our Decade of Action, and more EFOW Year 2025 in Review-





\* Peace and Security: Notes in February and March emphasized Peace as a foundational element, arguing that conflicts (like the ongoing situation in Ukraine) consume resources and political will, making sustainable development goals near-impossible to achieve.

## **Insights and Suggestions for Working Programs**

Kamp's suggestions consistently focused on integrated solutions and a holistic approach driven by ethical leadership.

- \* Energy: The target is achieving "Energy Free of Concerns." | Implementing a "Great Electrification" initiative, requiring unified global investment and commitment to rapid, scaled deployment of clean energy.
- \* Energy Transition: Transition is best to blend global needs with local possibility thinking. | Building "Bridges" between the conventional energy sector and clean-tech entrepreneurs, underpinned by new, adaptive energy architectures designed for resilience and equity.
- \* Sustainable Development: The goal is fostering "Societies Free of Concerns." | Promoting Servant and Conscious Leadership and prioritizing "Bridges projects" on sustainable development that require cross-sectoral, cross-border collaboration and ethical governance.

Sustainable Development- to our mind- is "the Heart" of our (integral) Good Future Making<sup>3</sup> forwards- and supersedes one-dimensional actions, such as - at times- elevated at COPs

Adopting an socio-eco-centric worldview (as discussed in the April Earth Day/ Pope Francis notes) that redefines value from economic wealth to "Humanitarian and Planetary Health," ensuring actions and policies address underlying social and economic inequalities.

\* Climate Action: is best to move beyond "its one dimension re "fighting emissions" and to embed "Integral Good Future Making and Change."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See <u>EFOW Brief: Good Future Making</u> EFOW Year 2025 in Review-



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# **Lessons Learned: The Decade of Action (2015–2025)**

The retrospective view on the decade confirmed critical failures and essential learnings for future action:

- \* Failure of Trust: The single greatest impediment to achieving the SDGs and Paris targets was the persistent lack of trust and the failure of major powers to integrate their strategies.
- \* Holistic Leadership: The primary lesson learned is that energy security, climate action, and sustainable development are inseparable. Effective progress requires peace-led leadership capable of viewing these issues as one interdependent system.
- \* Conversion and Purpose: The lessons emphasized the importance of individual ethical commitment, highlighted in Kamp's personal reflection on his journey "From Corporate to Caritas" (May notes).



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## **Commemoration of Pope Francis and His Influence**

The blognotes confirmed the profound, ethical, and environmental influence of Pope Francis on Adriaan Kamp's work, which provides the moral compass for the "Energy For One World" mission.

- \* Influence: Kamp frequently references the Pope's encyclical, Laudato Si', which reinforces the need for an "integral ecology"—linking climate justice, social equity, and economic reform. The principles of Caritas (charity/compassion) and peace are central to Kamp's concept of servant leadership.
- \* Commemoration: The notes included a "Special Notes: Funeral..." entry (April 28th), which served as a poignant reflection on the spiritual, moral, and ecological contributions of a great spiritual leader and his influence on the energy and climate discussion. This note reinforced the need for values and ethics to guide political and technical work, embodying the core of the "Energy For One World" philosophy.