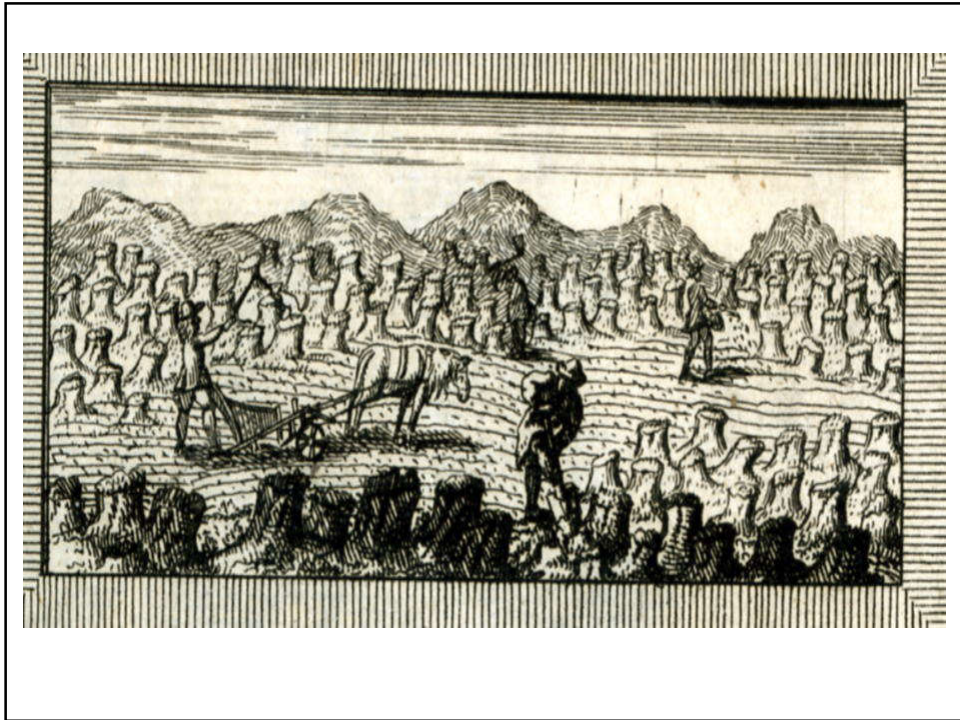




“In an age in which we are denuding the resources of the planet as never before and endangering the very future of humanity, sustainability is the key to human survival.”

Christopher Weeramantry, former Vice-President
of the International Court of Justice.

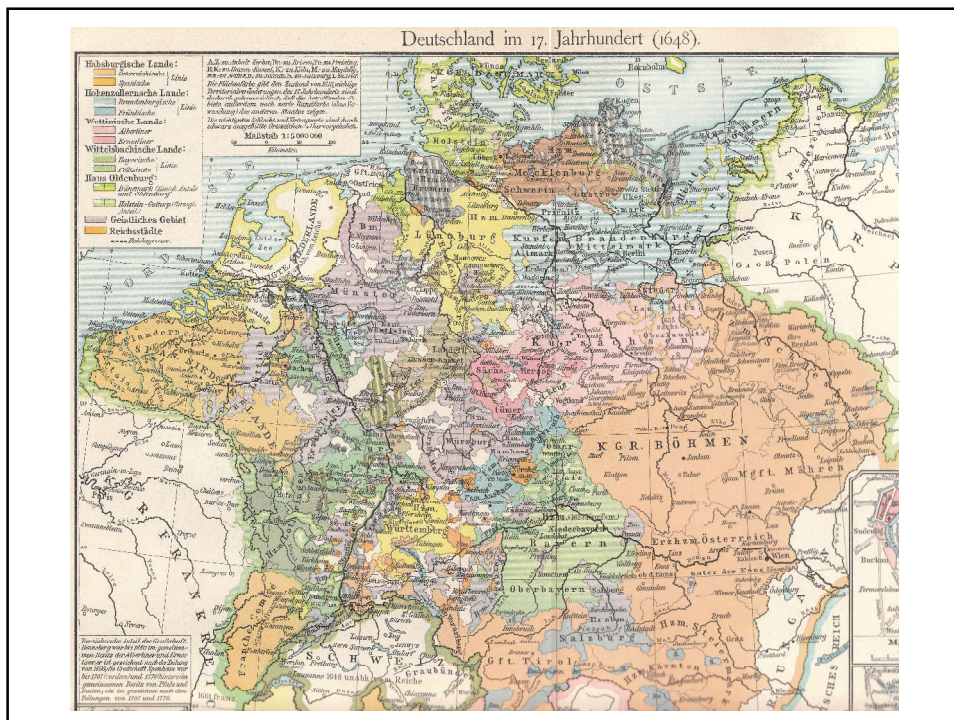


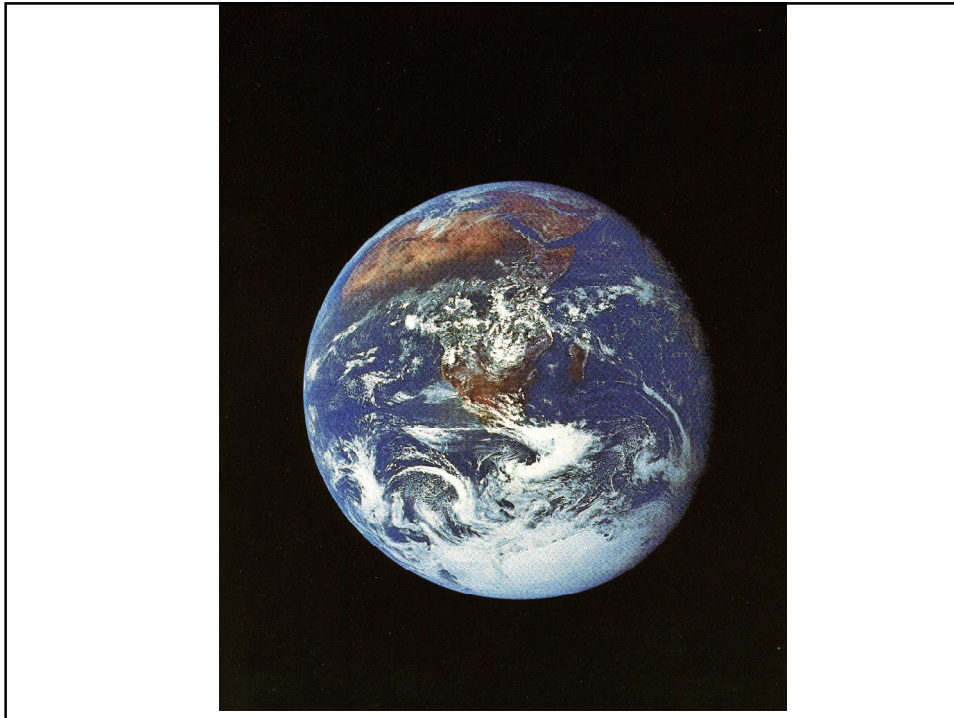


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Aber da der un-
terste Theil der Erden sich an Erzten durch so viel Mühe und Un-
kosten hat offenbahr machen lassen / da will nun Mangel vorkommen
an Holz und Kohlen dieselbe gut zu machen ; Wird derhalben die
größte Kunst / Wissenschaft / Fleiß / und Einrichtung hiesiger Lande
darinnen beruhen / wie eine sothane Conservation und Anbau des
Holzes anzustellen / daß es eine continuirliche beständige und nach-
haltende Nutzung gebe / weils es eine unentberliche Sache ist / ohne
welche das Land in seinem Esse nicht bleiben mag.

Carlowitz, Hans Carl von: Sylvicultura oeconomica – Anweisung zur
wilden Baumzucht, Leipzig 1713, S. 105 f.





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TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It contains within it two key concepts:

- the concept of 'needs', in particular the essential needs of the world's poor, to which overriding priority should be given; and
- the idea of limitations imposed by the state of technology and social organization on the environment's ability to meet present and future needs.

