

# Education, sustainability and student activism

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# What challenges youth? Climate change!

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1. Do something now
2. Climate change is here
3. We do have tools
4. Half the globe is exposed
5. On a route to 3 degrees
6. Cheapest to mitigate
7. All action helps

And the biodiversity crisis, Pfas, Covid-19 etc.

Denmark has 2,5% protected nature



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KLIMA

Her er de syv vigtigste pointer fra verdens samlede klimaforskning

# What challenges youth? Economy!

- Young Americans earn less than their parents
- Financial crisis comes often (07' & 22')
- Debt is growing
- Costs of living crisis
- Housing market is out of control

## How the last 20 years of economic turmoil broke millennials

Written by **Hillary Hoffower** Apr 14, 2022, 4:00 PM

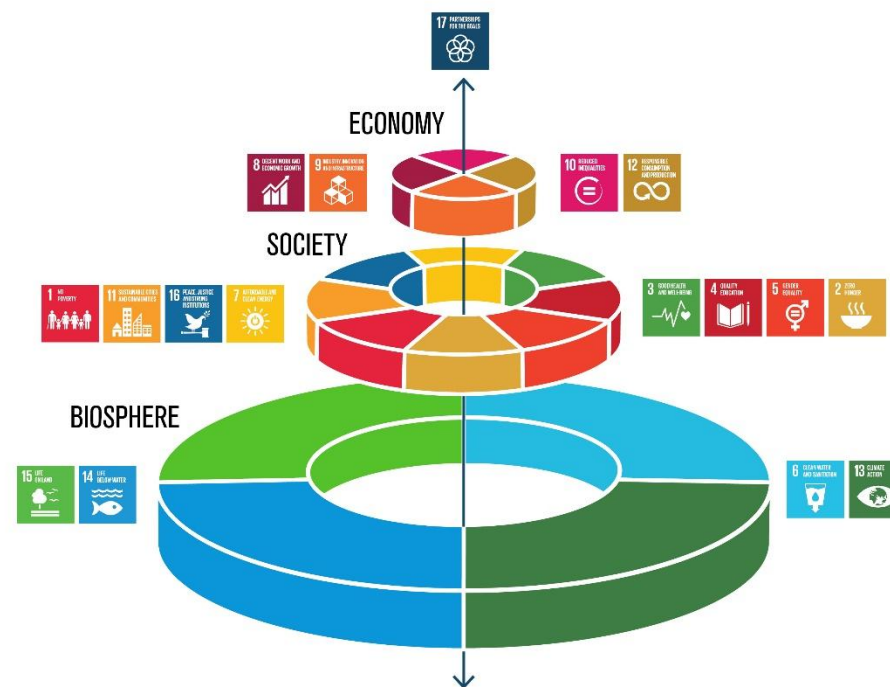


# What challenges youth? The social sphere!

- Cultures of performance and perfection
- Crisis of relations
- Anxiety of life choices
- Questions of power and discrimination
- Sex & Gender
- Etc.?



# Sustainable development?



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21. juni, 2023

POLITIK

Studenter mangler  
KU's støtte

Disse forskere fra KU har op  
soldrevet naturfænomen, der har  
lave planteaffald om  
biobrændstof. To studerende  
dagens kronik, hvorfor der ikke er  
Københavns Universitets forskere  
præget af at møde klimaforand  
Jen

KRONIK

# Bæredygtighed formål. Det bør

Med klimaloven har regeringen pr  
uddannelsesområdet. Uddannels  
strategi, der gør uddannelsessektor



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SENESTE

31. oktober, 2023 — 10:50

Vi er ikke færdige med at  
diskutere, hvad god  
forskning er

Alumnerne

Magasinet

Indsend debatindlæg

Studiestart 2023

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Om Uniavisen

Skriv dig op til nyhedsbrevet

Følg Uniavisen



12. september, 2023 — 11:04

DEBAT

# PÅ MIT FØRSTE SEMESTER LOVEDE REKTOR KLIMAHANDLING. NU ER JEG SNART KANDIDAT

af: **Kolja Dahlin**



UNIVERSITY OF COPENHAGEN



STRATEGY 2030

Creating benefit for more people



**Sustainability**, including economic, social and environmental sustainability, is so crucial to the progress of society and that of the University that it **is a key component** in the realisation of [the University's] ambitions. We will push forward on all fronts to boost initiatives addressing, for example, climate change and the biodiversity crisis.

University of Copenhagen 2024: 4



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SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE

**‘Multi-disciplinarity’**

identifies and assembles relevant knowledge and expertise in traditional academic disciplines for addressing sustainability problems

**‘Inter-disciplinarity’**

connects and integrates disciplinary knowledge and expertise to advance basic understanding of the complex, dynamic interactions of human-environment systems.

**‘Trans-disciplinarity’**

promotes active collaboration with various stakeholders throughout society, organising processes of mutual learning among science and society.



EDUCATION

**Education ABOUT sustainability**

*Content-based sustainability literacy identifies, assembles and transmits to learners what is already known about problems at stake*

**Education FOR sustainability**

*Connects and integrates disciplinary knowledge; encourages learners to examine complex, dynamic interactions of human-environment systems*

**Education AS sustainability**

*Shift of worldview, systematically involves knowledge users in the research process; prompts reflexive learning and change processes*

Mochizuki & Yarime 2016





# Yes, you Can!

A list of types of student activism for sustainability with examples of successful actions



# Types of actions - and successful examples

Action	Successful examples
<b>Educational policy actions</b>	
Protest	Student demonstration in 2018
'Noice in the media'	NOAH - reasoned provocations
Lobbying	UCC: Teachers for future
Build alliances	Partnerships for an national action plan for ESD
<b>Change your institution</b>	
Greeningyour campus projects	Local food initiative in USA
Top-down supported bottom-up organisation	Gent university
<b>Change your studies and courses</b>	
Enable real world change projects	Science shops; Urban academies; interdisciplinary courses; student led courses
<b>Empower your co-students</b>	
Create attractive action and co-learning groups	The green youth movement





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