

Review of: "Sustainable Prosperity and Circular Economy in the Care of Mother Earth — The Blue Kiss"

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The text presented by María Méndez Rocasolano is profound and necessary. It changes the perspective of understanding the foundations of an economic system that is still exploitative, predatory, and regards resources as unlimited. The text is well-written and grounded, bringing important references from the discussion of sustainable development, ecological economics, and environmental rationality, as well as pointing out relevant historical elements for the construction of this path of understanding about the necessary alternatives to economic development. Thus, what I suggest aims to contribute by exemplifying issues addressed by the author. In section II, when Rocasolano discusses biomimicry, it might be interesting to signal the existence of experiences with the establishment of industrial ecosystems, such as Kalundborg, which seek to close productive cycles among companies, emulating natural ecosystems. Also in this section, it could be included, as an example of legal regression, the relaxations and pressures for relaxation that have been made in Brazilian environmental legislation (at the national level, but also at the level of the states of the federation), in the name of the potential economic growth of the areas, which can aggravate climate risk and the degradation of biomes that need to be preserved and restored. Such setbacks are accelerating the loss of biomes and are increasingly materializing in extreme weather events, such as the floods that today plague the state of Rio Grande do Sul, in Brazil.

Thank you for the opportunity to read this work and contribute to its qualification.