



# Flashback: European Architects Always Intended Technocracy

The EU was largely architected by members of the Trilateral Commission, who intended Technocracy from the very start. The EU formally started with the 1992 Maastricht Treaty, in the same year of the Earth Summit in Rio, Brazil, which created Agenda 21 and Sustainable Development, aka Technocracy. □ TN Editor

Leafing through the British press over the last week, you can't but notice the increased sightings of a rare political subspecies: [the "technocrat"](#). Prominent technocrats include the Italian prime minister designate, [Mario Monti](#), and the Greek PM, Lucas Papademos, who have been parachuted into the top job, the papers say, in order to act out diktats of their "paymasters" in Germany and France. In the Telegraph, Christopher Booker has revealed that "[EU architects never meant it to be a democracy](#)": technocracy was always the plan. In the same paper,

Charles Moore has proclaimed that [“left and right should agree that this is not the time for technocrats and Frankfurters”](#), but real democrats.

And largely they do. On these pages, there have been a number of comment pieces and editorials pointing out Europe’s “democratic deficit”, questioning whether the “rise of the technocrats” is wise ([“economics is not engineering”](#)) or even [effective](#). Even the sober FT has a concerned editorial entitled [“Enter the technocrats”](#) - no less than 10 months after proclaiming the [“strange death of technocracy”](#). I counted at least half a dozen articles that saw glaring parallels to European appeasement a la Munich '38; the Telegraph is already pondering [sending Spitfires across the channel](#).

Well, when the Guardian, the Telegraph and even [those arch-contrarians at Spiked Online](#) are in agreement over something, some alarm bells should go off. So let’s at least try to see if there might be another side to the story here.

The word “technocracy” comes from the Greek words “tekhne”, meaning skill, and “kratos” meaning power. Technocrats thus literally promise to be “problem solvers” - politicians who make decisions based on their expertise or specialist knowledge of a particular subject, rather than to please a particular interest group or political party. The term is commonly attributed to the engineer William H Smyth of Berkely, California in 1919, though the idea that a country should be organised and spiritually led not by the church, feudal landowners or the military but by industrial chiefs and men of science, goes back to the early socialist thinker [Saint-Simon](#).

Yes, there’s no harm in saying it: technocracy once used to be a big idea for the international left. In 1930s America, for instance, it wasn’t a term of abuse but the programme for a new social utopia. In the middle of the Great Depression, an emergent technocratic movement led by engineers and dissident economists such as Thorstein Veblen and Howard Scott proposed that populist politicians simply weren’t capable to fix the system: “The maladministration and chaos imposed upon the industrial mechanism by arbitrary rule of extraneous interest has reached such a point that many technicians feel the urgent need of confederating their

forces in a program of industrial co-ordination based, not on belief, but exact knowledge,” thundered a pamphlet by the Technical Alliance.

The American technocratic movement was short-lived, not least because the flaws in its thinking were so apparent: their belief that anyone could ever be completely apolitical in their decision-making now strikes us as naive. No one remembers the technocrats’ “Plan of Plenty”, and everybody remembers Roosevelt’s New Deal.

Over the course of the next few decades, technocracy got a dodgy rep. Veneration of industrial progress and unchecked rule by bureaucrats became a trademark of totalitarian regimes in Nazi [Germany](#) and Soviet Russia. George Orwell describes technocracy as a precursor to fascism. What was Adolf Eichmann if not a technocrat?

Some might say, though, that technocratic ideals and practices never really went away. Henry Elsner’s critical account of the movement floats the idea that the New Deal, with its embracing of social engineering, was [more of a synthesis of technocratic and democratic ideals than an alternative](#).

In many European countries, the word technocrat still has positive connotations. In the 1950s, [Jean Monnet](#) envisioned growth as something that required expertise rather than party politics. Smaller democracies, such as Holland, often rely on technocrats as negotiators between unruly coalition governments, or between employers and employees. Belgium, without a government for 17 months and counting, [is a technocrat’s paradise](#) and has weathered the crisis fairly well so far. In the former communist states of central and eastern Europe, technocrats played a key role in negotiating the transition from authoritarian regime to democracy.

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## **Follow The Money: The Deep, Deep State Of Climate Change**

It's not what you think. There is no innocent, purist or benevolent agenda behind Global Warming propaganda. None. It's all about money and control that is orchestrated and funded by the same global elite who created Globalization in the first place.

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*Climate.* Now who wudda thought. The very mega-corporations and mega-billionaires behind the globalization of the world economy over recent decades, whose pursuit of shareholder value and cost reduction who have wreaked so much damage to our environment both in the industrial world and in the under-developed economies of Africa, Asia, Latin America, are the leading backers of the “grassroots”

decarbonization movement from Sweden to Germany to the USA and beyond.

Is it pangs of guilty conscience, or could it be a deeper agenda of the financialization of the very air we breathe and more?

Whatever one may believe about the dangers of CO2 and risks of global warming creating a global catastrophe of 1.5 to 2 degree Celsius average temperature rise in the next roughly 12 years, it is worth noting **who is promoting the current flood of propaganda and climate activism.**

## **Green Finance**

Several years before Al Gore and others decided to use a young Swedish school girl to be the poster child for climate action urgency, or in the USA the call of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez for a complete reorganization of the economy around a Green New Deal, the giants of finance began devising schemes for steering hundreds of billions of future funds to investments in often worthless “climate” companies.

In 2013 after years of careful preparation, a Swedish real estate company, Vasakronan, issued the first corporate “Green Bond.” They were followed by others including Apple, SNCF and the major French bank Credit Agricole. In November 2013 Elon Musk’s problem-riddled Tesla Energy issued the first solar asset-backed security. Today according to something called the Climate Bonds Initiative, more than \$500 billion in such Green Bonds are outstanding. The creators of the bond idea state their aim is to win over a major share of the \$45 trillion of assets under management globally which have made nominal commitment to invest in [“climate friendly” projects](#).

Bonnie Prince Charles, future UK Monarch, along with the Bank of England and City of London finance have promoted “green financial instruments,” led by Green Bonds, to redirect pension plans and mutual funds towards green projects. A key player in the linking of world financial institutions with the Green Agenda is outgoing Bank of England head **Mark Carney**. In December 2015, the Bank for International

Settlements' Financial Stability Board (FSB), chaired then by Carney, created the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosure (TCFD), to advise "investors, lenders and insurance about climate related risks." That was certainly a bizarre focus for world central bankers.

In 2016 the TCFD along with the City of London Corporation and the UK Government initiated the Green Finance Initiative, aiming to channel trillions of dollars to "green" investments. The central bankers of the FSB nominated 31 people to form the [TCFD](#). Chaired by billionaire **Michael Bloomberg** of the financial wire, it includes key people from JP MorganChase; from BlackRock—one of the world's biggest asset managers with almost \$7 trillion; Barclays Bank; HSBC, the London-Hong Kong bank repeatedly fined for laundering drug and other black funds; Swiss Re, the world's second largest reinsurance; China's ICBC bank; Tata Steel, ENI oil, Dow Chemical, mining giant BHP Billington and David Blood of Al Gore's Generation Investment LLC. In effect it seems the foxes are writing the rules for the new Green Hen House.

Bank of England's Carney was also a key actor in efforts to make the City of London into the financial center of global Green Finance. The outgoing UK Chancellor of the Exchequer, Philip Hammond, in July 2019 released a White Paper, "Green Finance Strategy: Transforming Finance for a Greener Future." The paper states, "One of the most influential initiatives to emerge is the Financial Stability Board's private sector Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), supported by Mark Carney and chaired by Michael Bloomberg. This has been endorsed by institutions representing \$118 trillion [of assets globally](#)." There seems to be a plan here. The plan is the financialization of the entire world economy using fear of an end of world scenario to reach arbitrary aims such as "net-zero greenhouse gas emissions."

## **Goldman Sachs Key Actor**

The omnipresent Wall Street bank, Goldman Sachs, which spawned among others ECB outgoing President **Mario Draghi** and Bank of England head Carney, has just unveiled the first global index of top-ranking environmental stocks, done along with the London-based CDP,

formerly the Carbon Disclosure Project. The CDP, notably, is financed by investors such as HSBC, JPMorgan Chase, Bank of America, Merrill Lynch, Goldman Sachs, American International Group, and State Street Corp.

The new index, called CDP Environment EW and CDP Eurozone EW, aims to lure investment funds, state pension systems such as the CalPERS (the California Public Employees' Retirement System) and CalSTRS (the California State Teachers' Retirement System) with a combined \$600+ billion in assets, to invest in their carefully chosen targets. Top rated companies in the index include Alphabet which owns Google, Microsoft, ING Group, Diageo, Philips, Danone and, conveniently, [Goldman Sachs](#).

## **Enter Greta, AOC and Co.**

At this point events take on a cynical turn as we are confronted with wildly popular, heavily promoted climate activists such as Sweden's **Greta Thunberg** or New York's 29-year-old **Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez** and the Green New Deal. However sincere these activists may be, there is a well-oiled financial machine behind promoting them for gain.

Greta Thunberg is part of a well-connected network tied to the organization of **Al Gore** who is being cynically and professionally marketed and used by such agencies as the UN, the EU Commission and the financial interests behind the present climate agenda. As Canadian researcher and climate activist, **Cory Morningstar**, documents in an excellent series of posts, what is at stake is a well-knit network that is tied to US climate investor and enormously wealthy climate profiteer, Al Gore, chairman of **Generation Investment group**.

Gore's partner, ex-Goldman Sachs official David Blood as noted earlier, is a member of the BIS-created TCFD. Greta Thunberg along with her 17-year-old US climate friend, Jamie Margolin, were both listed as "special youth advisor and trustee" of the Swedish We Don't Have Time NGO, founded by its CEO Ingmar Rentzhog. Rentzhog is a member of Al Gore's Climate Reality Organization Leaders, and part of the European

Climate Policy Task Force. He was trained in March 2017 by Al Gore in Denver, and again in June 2018, in Berlin. Al Gore's Climate Reality Project is a partner of [We Don't Have Time](#).

Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AOC), who made a huge splash in her first days in the US Congress for unveiling a "Green New Deal" to completely reorganize the US economy at a cost of perhaps \$100 trillion, is also not without skilled guidance. AOC has openly admitted that she ran for Congress at the urging of a group called Justice Democrats. She told one interviewer, "I wouldn't be running if it wasn't for the support of Justice Democrats and Brand New Congress. Umm, in fact it was it was these organizations, it was JD and it was Brand New Congress as well, that both, that asked me to run in the first place. They're the ones that called me a year and a half ago..." Now, as Congresswoman, AOC's advisers include Justice Democrats co-founder, Zack Exley. Exley was an Open Society Fellow and got funds from among others the Open Society Foundations and Ford Foundation to create a predecessor to Justice Democrats to recruit select candidates for office.

## **The Real Agenda is Economic**

The links between the world's largest financial groups, central banks and global corporations to the current push for a radical climate strategy to abandon the fossil fuel economy in favor of a vague, unexplained Green economy, it seems, is less about genuine concern to make our planet a clean and healthy environment to live. Rather it is an agenda, intimately tied to the UN Agenda 2030 for "sustainable" economy, and to developing literally trillions of dollars in new wealth for the global banks and financial giants who constitute the real powers that be.

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## **‘Global Climate Strike’ Heavily Backed By George Soros**

While the public is expected to believe the global climate strike was a grass roots movement of young students, the reality, funding and organization is far from youth-driven; rather, it is a massive and purposefully deceptive manipulation. □ TN Editor

While 16-year-old Greta Thunberg has become the face of the climate strike movement, it’s no longer gatherings of children. A litany of well-funded, left-wing activist groups have partnered to generate a week of climate protests known as the “Global Climate Strike:” Sept 20, through 27, bookending the U.N. climate conference.

At least 22 of those partners have been funded by liberal billionaire George Soros who spends nearly \$1 billion a year on groups pushing a variety of left-wing causes. Together, 22 organizations listed as international or North American partners of the [Global Climate](#)

[Strike](#) received at least \$24,854,592 from Soros' Open Society Network between 2000-2017.

The liberal media [celebrated](#) Thunberg's arrival in New York and the global protests held Sept. 20, and will likely to do the same for the second round. ABC's Maggi Rulli shrieked, "Now, look at what her movement has become!" MSNBC even promoted grotesque gestures such as German protesters ["simulated hangings."](#) calling it a "striking visual message to push for action." Berliners stood on 'ice blocks with nooses around their necks. A stark call for change before it's too late," reported MSNBC's Yasmin Vossoughian on Sept. 20.

<b>Soros Donations to Global Climate Strike Partners</b>	
Fund for Global Human Rights	\$5,092,250
Center for Popular Democracy	\$4,650,350
People's Action	\$3,600,000
Amnesty International (UK)	\$2,447,553
Alliance for Global Justice	\$1,825,000
Global Greengrants Fund	\$1,205,699
Center for Economic and Social Rights	\$1,175,000
Avaaz	\$850,000
Color of Change	\$720,000
Earthjustice	\$555,000
Jobs with Justice	\$545,000
Sojourners	\$475,000
GreenFaith	\$350,000
V-Day	\$331,497
Civicus	\$285,000
Hip Hop Caucus	\$225,000
Faithful America	\$150,000
Unitarian Universalist Association	\$100,000
Friends of the Earth	\$86,268
350	\$86,250
MADRE	\$67,000
Christian Aid	\$32,725
	<b>Total = \$24,854,592</b>

(Date Range: 2000-2017)

Strikes are [scheduled in 150 countries](#) for Sept. 27. Undoubtedly, the promotion and partnership of hundreds of liberal groups including 350.org (which hosts the Global Climate Strike website), EarthJustice and Friends of the Earth helped the strikes balloon in size. The Sept. 20, [strikes](#) drew around 4 million activists, with 2,500 protests scheduled in 163 countries around the globe, according to Vox. Democratic candidate Tom Steyer's [NextGen America](#) was also a partner, along with the Sierra Club which has gotten millions from former Mayor Michael Bloomberg.

In recent years, Soros funding went to at least 22 of those partnering groups including 350.org, Amnesty International, Avaaz, Color of Change and People's Action. Those groups had various climate-related agendas from reducing global carbon emissions to less than 350 parts per million, campaigning for 100 percent "clean energy," banning new fossil fuel projects to a "green civil rights movement."

[Eco-doomsayer](#) Bill McKibben founded 350 in 2008. The name of the organization comes from its desired carbon emissions goal of less than 350 parts per million — current emissions levels are already at [415 ppm](#). McKibben's past [climate predictions](#) were so extreme even *Scientific American* called him out in 2011, for being "overheated" and "fear-mongering." The group [fought](#) against coal power in India, tried to stop the Keystone XL pipeline in the U.S. and has promoted fossil fuel divestment.

Known more for its pro-abortion, pro-gun control, LGBTQ rights advocacy and opposition to Israel, Amnesty International was another Soros-funded [strike partner](#). Its [website](#) confirmed it "will be taking part in the climate strikes," because "Human rights are intimately linked with climate change because of its devastating effect on not just the environment but our own wellbeing."

Lesser-known group, Avaaz is a "global 'e-advocacy' nonprofit organization whose chief function is to promote leftwing political agendas through Web-based movement-building and campaigns," according to [Discover The Networks](#). One Avaaz campaign gathered petition signatures to bring the world's societies and economies to 100

percent clean energy by 2050.

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