

Local Leadership on Climate Action

Climate and Biodiversity Workshop

Wood Quay, 4th December 2019

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9 Nov 2019
At least 100
properties destroyed



Flooding

Angela Giuffrida and Jon Henley

Wed 13 Nov 2019 11:55 GMT



14,092

13 November 2019
85% Venice
flooded

Two reported dead as Venice flooded by highest tide in 50 years

High waters peaked at 1.87 metres as the flood alarm sounded across the Italian city of canals

● [In pictures: flooding in Venice](#)



▲ Venice is flooded by the highest tides since 1960s - video

The mayor of Venice is poised to declare a state of emergency after the city was hit by the highest tide in more than 50 years, with another surge expected to cause further widespread flooding and destruction on Wednesday.

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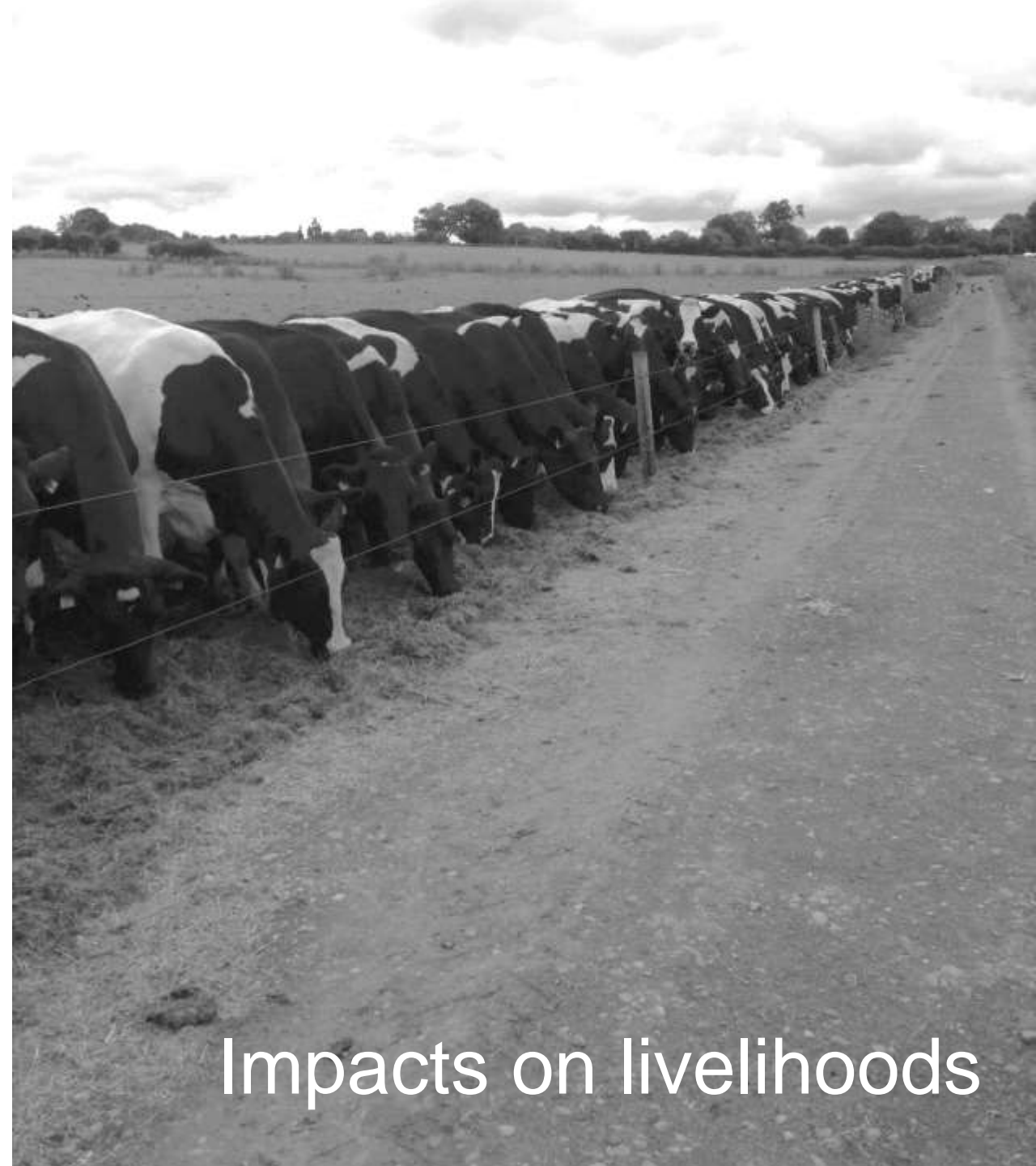
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Climate

13 November 2019
>1,000 properties
evacuated





Impacts on livelihoods

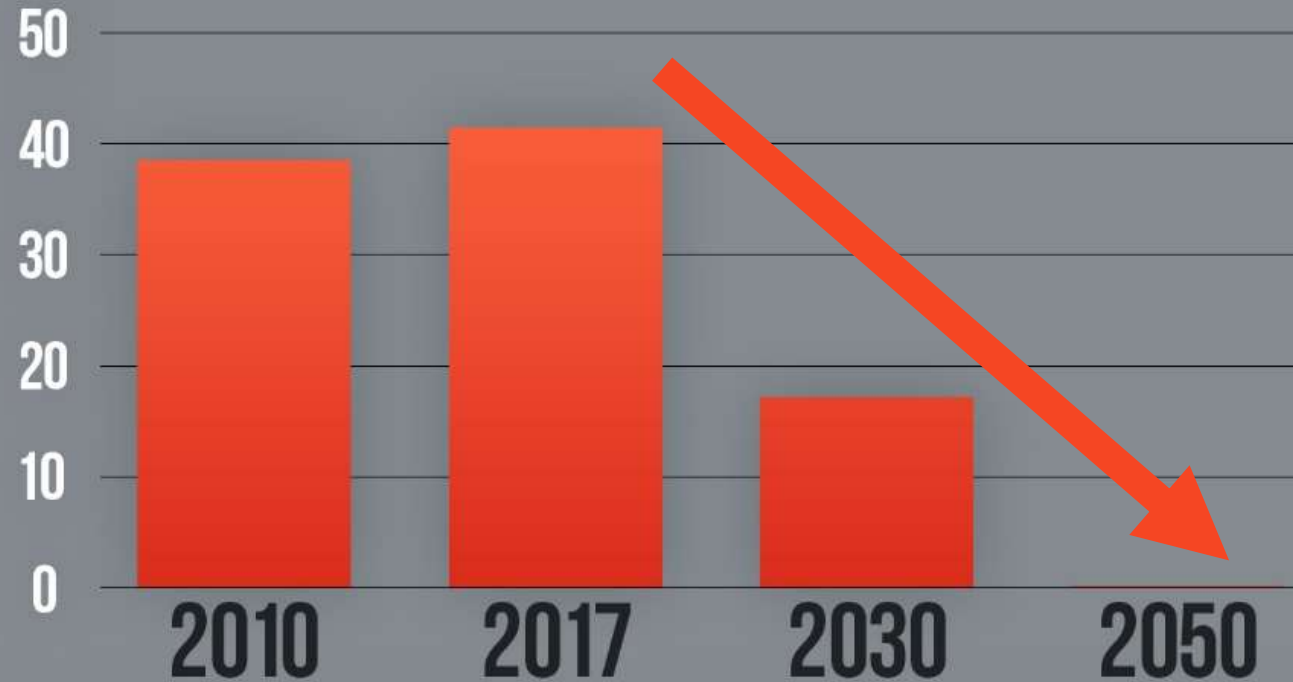
Risks to business



BIG CHANGES NEEDED

Limiting Global Warming to 1.5°C Will Require Deep Emissions Cuts

(GtCO₂ per year)



1.5°C is equal to 2.7°F
Source: IPCC Global Warming of 1.5°C Report

CLIMATE  CENTRAL

We are already seeing the consequences of 1°C of global warming – 1.5°C is significantly more safe than 2°C
IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C



The Guardian, 25th November 2019

Greenhouse gas emissions

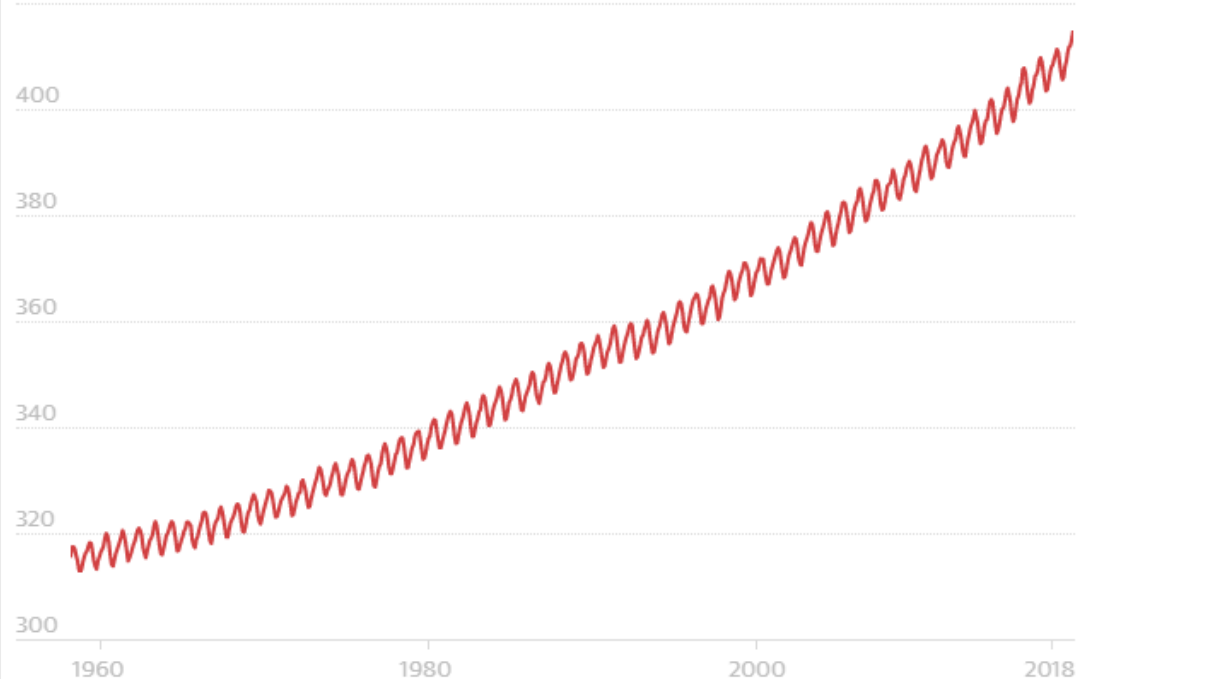
Damian Carrington
Environment editor

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Mon 25 Nov 2019 10.00 GMT

Atmospheric CO₂ rose to a record level in 2018

CO₂ levels (ppm) are being driven up by human activities but vary with the season



Guardian graphic | Source: US Earth System Research Laboratory, measurements from Mauna Loa, Hawaii

Climate-heating greenhouse gases hit new high, UN reports

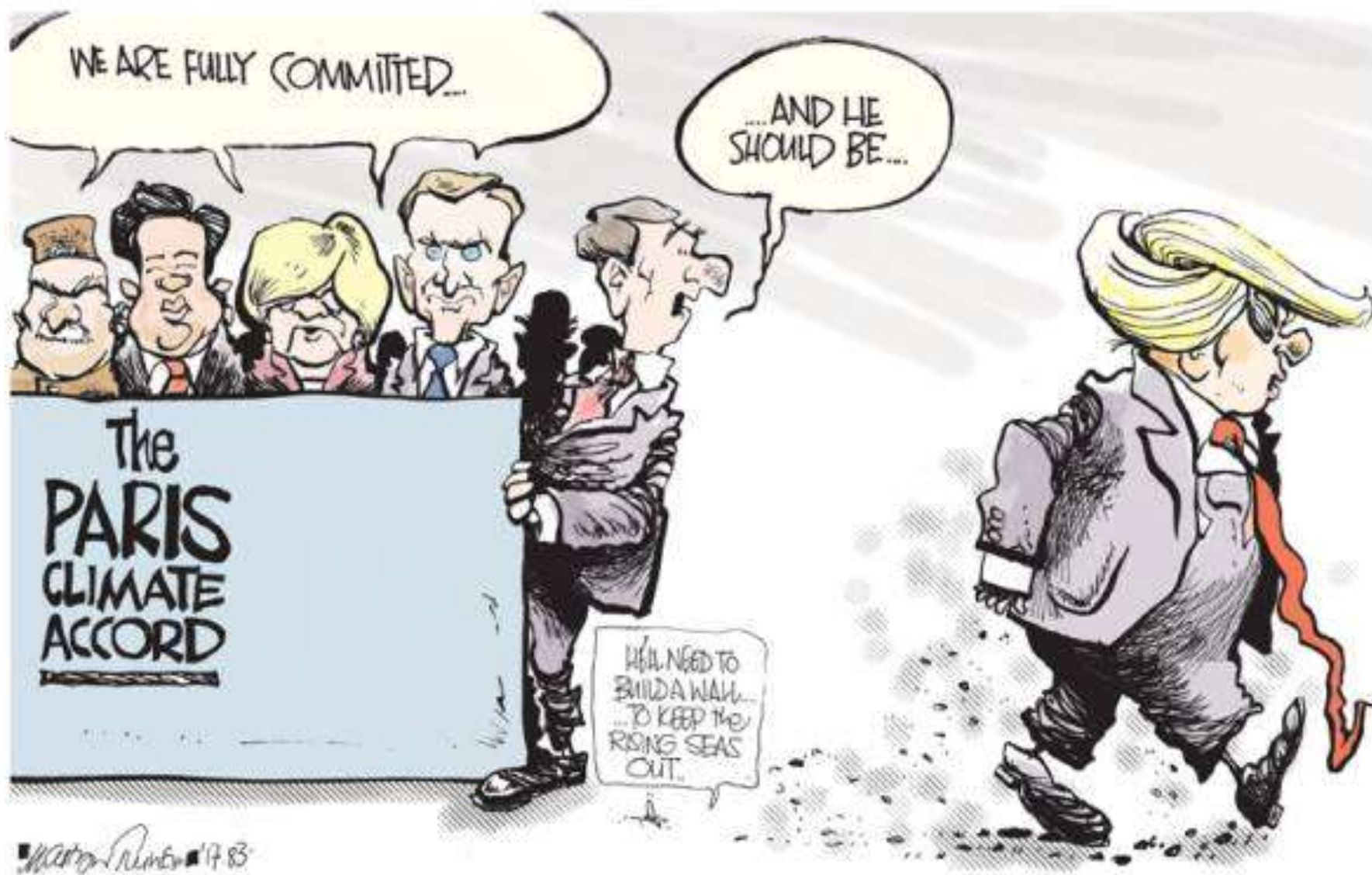
Head of World Meteorological Organization says 'no sign of a slowdown, let alone a decline'



▲ The greenhouse gas nitrous oxide is caused by forest fires and heavy fertiliser use. Photograph: Sam Mooy/Getty

The concentration of climate-heating greenhouse gases has hit a record high, according to a report from the UN's World Meteorological Organization.

The jumps in the key gases measured in 2018 were all above the average for the last decade, showing action on the climate emergency to date is having no effect in the atmosphere. The WMO said the gap between targets and reality were both "glaring and growing".



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Planning and leading local action on climate



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1. Collaborative leadership

Common
purpose

Open
communication

Partnership
skills

Good is good
enough

Ask for help



2. Message & messenger

A social sustainability message can cushion an environmental one..



3. Behaviour change



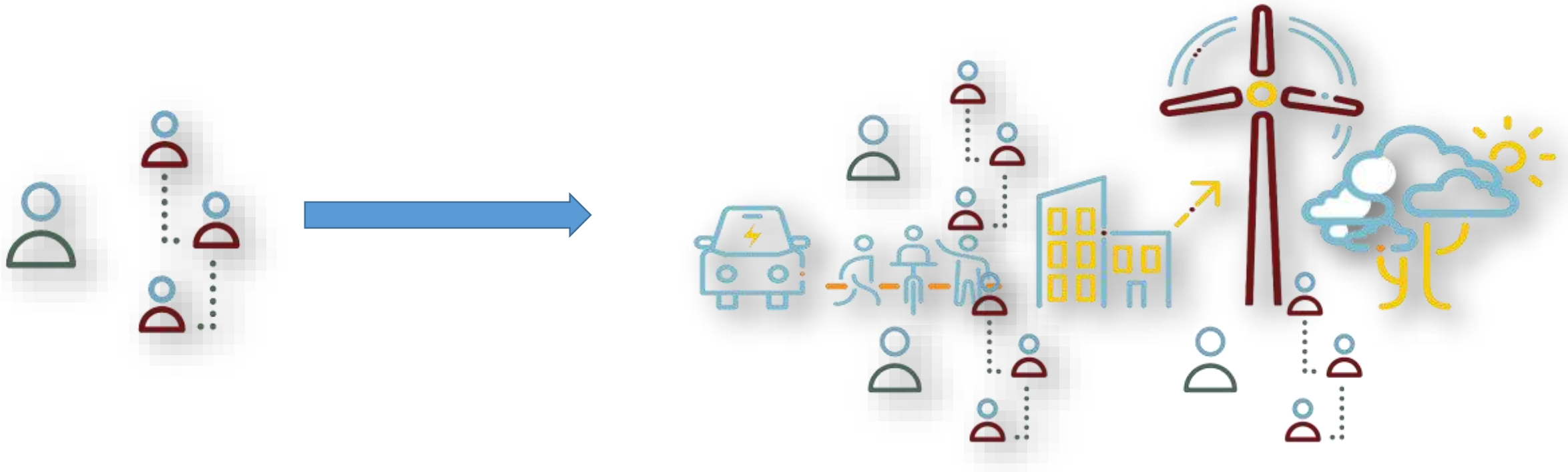
4. New models of partnership



What you do matters



Individual & community action powers systemic change



People are allergic to change, you have to get out there and sell the idea

Grace Hopper, Navy Admiral & Computer Scientist, born NYC 1906





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