

Compile a list of existential threats humanity is facing currently

Right-wing political drift

The ongoing rise of the right-wing extremists (e.g. USA, Germany, Spain) is slowly creating a wide-reaching human rights crisis worldwide.

Mounting resources scarcity

As a result of excessive resource exploitation following the industrial revolution, humans are starting to face scarcity of raw resources. Territorial conflicts are also threatening global supply chains, most notably the current oil crisis surrounding Iranian exports.

Declining birth rates

Declining quality of life is tightly knit with a general disinterest in having children. Where birthing children is not necessary for survival (such as in developed countries), humans are losing the financial independence required to raise children. This leads to the population growing too old, threatening the stability of many developed countries across the world (notably: Germany, Switzerland, Japan).

Nuclear annihilation

Global geopolitical tensions are reviving the fear of nuclear annihilation through mutually assured destruction. If the current climate escalates further, we might face another cold-war-like situation soon.

Consumerism

To keep the capitalist machine running, companies are forced to pursue infinite growth above anything. This, among many other issues, generates an incentive for aggressive marketing campaigns. Humans are really receptive to this: Overconsumption on a global scale is plaguing the humans who engage in it, and the countries that suffer from the exploitation resulting from it.

Permafrost melting

Climate change is currently dissolving large areas of permafrost covering eastern regions of the Russian Federation, threatening a catastrophic release of methane into the atmosphere. Very soon...

Find ways to combat a few of the threats listed

Mounting resources scarcity

Large-scale investment into more efficient production chains is imperative to establishing a sustainable environment for the human race to co-exist with the rest of the earth's biosphere. Renewable energies together with nuclear fission/fusion power are both important factors, heavy investment into which and abolishment of all fossil fuel based energy extraction plants should be the focus. As for other raw resources: We can't really bring back what's already lost. Thus, we must turn our eyes to space: Industrial exploitation of interplanetary resources will be the next step in human evolution, if we get this step right.

Declining birth rates

Climbing standards of living across the board will increase birth rates, since those are typically the bottleneck in developed countries. Alternatively, we could also intentionally plunge countries into poverty to force child-rearing as a survival strategy. I don't think I need to elaborate on why this would be a bad idea.

Consumerism

The general capitalist narrative forces companies to grow indefinitely to survive, leading to ever more things needing to be sold. Consumerism is only the logical response to that. Doing away with post-modern capitalism as seen now will drastically improve our operational efficiency as a species, although this would not be the only step towards producing less unnecessary waste. Humans who are used to this overproduction must also be taught how much is reasonable to consume, and we have to make sure that the same will also count for those higher in the hierarchy.