

Geoscientists as Politicians; it is a necessity, not a luxury.

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Conventionally speaking, geoscientists are not thought of as the proper material to become politicians. Rather, lawyers and businessmen are the premium candidates, all along with retired brass. This is highly eccentric when we execute a disciplined thought process based on the Measure of Rightness and Wrongness (MRW). As with any scientific research geoscientists are delighted to present to the world, any argument that lacks the underpinning MRW is useless; without the MRW one might hear 10 different opinions and consider each of them right because the presenter of each opinion has done his homework brilliantly. Facts are facts because of their own selves not because of people's perceptions of them. Perceptions might differ, but facts remain facts. Every two different points are a distance apart from each other; one straight distance. When there are 10 different opinions about that distance: bring a tape and measure it; the tape would constitute the MRW here, and the measurement might fit one out of the 10 opinions, and might fit none; there is absolutely no other probability. The same argument holds for all topics: regardless of the numerous opinions, only one is right or none is; two different opinions cannot be right at the same time.

So, what is the material of Geoscientists? They are individuals with analytical capabilities, with skills to recognize problems, with skills to structure ways to deal with those problems, and with abilities to make the best usage of available resources. They are individuals who have made the conscious choice to dedicate their whole lives to study, understand, and sustain earth; hence all its inhabitants. It's not a mere profession for them; it's an obsession and way of life. By definition; they are scientists of Earth, they care about Earth as if they have fallen in love with it. It wasn't just a feeling that rushed through their veins for an hour then dissipated; they decided to pursue their own lives for the sake of maintaining that of Earth. Who share those attributes with geoscientists: lawyers; businessmen; retired brass? The MRW for this argument is: "taking care of Earth and its inhabitants" plus all required skills to accomplish that.

Individuals with the mere skill of understanding and drafting laws, negotiating deals, making profits and accumulating money, and discipline don't have that characteristic. All those classes have certain attributes that qualify them to have great insight about how politics should be formulated, but none of them have the attributes geoscientists have embedded in their own nature. Lawyers, businessmen, and retired brass, as with all other professions, should be in the position to provide consultancy to the geoscientist politicians who take final decisions; they should not be the ones to make them.

The fact that delegations of geoscientists go to visit politicians; the fact that geoscientists are briefed for their opinions; the fact that some geoscientists send letters to politicians to solicit them and it's entirely up to those politicians to adopt the contents of those letters or not; all those facts tell one simple story: geoscientists still do not understand their pivotal significance to humanity, as regrettable as it might be to say. This must change for the goodness of Earth and for the goodness of its inhabitants, before it's too late. Geoscientists must be the ones visited; they must be the ones briefing others; they must be the ones to take decisions.