

EARTH POLYCRISIS – REALITY CHECK: A Book by FRANK That Examines the Real Facts and Practical Answers to a Planet in Cascading Crisis

A 257-page investigation that separates facts from political illusions and sets out practical ways to survive a century of connected climate, energy and resource shocks

Nakhon Ratchasima, Thailand – Geopolitician, author and strategic metals consultant FRANK presents *EARTH POLYCRISIS – Reality Check*, first published in April 2023. It is a hard-hitting study of the crises threatening humankind's future. They are not happening one at a time. They are feeding each other.

The book builds on the idea of "polycrisis" first put forward by French philosopher Edgar Morin. FRANK shows how droughts, floods, war, energy shocks and food shortages interact to cause damage "greater than the total of those crises in isolation." One example is the fight over grain shipments from the Ukrainian port of Odessa. It was a weaponization of food that caused a food crisis thousands of kilometres away, in Africa.

Part 1: The Reality

The first part takes apart comfortable stories with data. Its subjects include the start of a seventh mass extinction, the 2022 climate disasters, falling Arctic sea ice, the Thwaites "melting monster" in Antarctica, thawing permafrost, and methane, which the book calls "the real ugly polluter." FRANK also takes on some awkward targets: the Big Oil lobby, carbon offsets he calls useless, greenwashing, too much faith in electric vehicles, and the damage done by mining battery metals. He also looks at agnotology, the deliberate spreading of doubt.

Part 2: The Solutions

The second part looks at the green transition without ideology. It covers the solar boom, offshore wind, the race for hydrogen, geothermal, hydropower and ocean energy. It also covers natural gas as a bridge fuel, carbon capture, biogas, the return of nuclear fission and the long wait for fusion. The book examines new tools such as geospatial intelligence, Saildrone ocean monitoring, batteries made from wood and electricity from plants. It weighs geoengineering, sobriety, degrowth and the debate between anti-humanists and transhumanists.

An Accident in Slow Motion

The book's central argument is about speed. Covid felt like a disaster because it struck fast. The climate crisis moves forward slowly, year after year, but with growing brutality. That slow pace lets decision-makers stay passive, and some even profit along the way. At the time of writing, the Global Carbon Project gave a 50% chance that warming would pass 1.5°C within nine years if emissions continued at the same level.

"This is not a book of fear, and not a book of false comfort," says FRANK. "It is a reality check. The facts first, the illusions removed, and then the solutions that can actually work."

About the Author

FRANK is a geopolitician with a PhD in Geopolitics and a Master's in Economics. He has more than 50 years of international business experience across five industries and has founded eight companies. He advises boards on multi-strategies and deep tech, works as a field consultant in critical minerals and strategic metals, and edits the *Futurology Chronicle*. *EARTH POLYCRISIS* is part of his *Reality Check* series, published under the pen name .FRANK. Signing as The Future Whisperer, his motto sums up his method: "Not louder. Earlier. And colder."

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