

Monday January 14th:

REGENERATIVE ECONOMICS AND COLORADO OPPORTUNITIES

SPEAKER: HUNTER LOVINS, President & Founder, Natural Capitalism Solutions

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“Humanity’s collision with planetary boundaries requires a radical rethink of economic theory and practice.” –*A Finer Future: Economics in Service to Life* (2018)

Our speaker, **Hunter Lovins**, and three other co-authors seek to replace the dominant narrative of growth-based neoliberal economics with *regenerative economics*—based upon “patterns and principles that nature (living and nonliving alike) uses to build stable, healthy, and sustainable systems throughout the world” (p. 62). *Is a timely shift to regenerative economics possible? How can Coloradans support and sustain an economy in service of life?*

The mission of **Natural Capitalism Solutions** “is to educate senior decision-makers in business, government and civil society about how to implement more regenerative practices profitably. In partnership with leading thinkers and organizations, Natural Capitalism Solutions creates innovative, practical tools and implementation strategies for companies, communities and countries” (www.natcapsolutions.org). One of its programs promotes **carbon farming**—“the explicit use of agriculture to sequester and store carbon in soil and vegetation” (www.coloradocarbonfund.org).

“A renowned author and champion of sustainable development for over 35 years, Hunter has consulted on sustainable agriculture, energy, water, security, and climate policies for scores of governments, communities, and companies worldwide. Within the United States, she has consulted for the Presidential Cabinet, Department of Defense, EPA, Department of Energy and numerous state and local agencies.” *Hunter is also a member of the transition team for Colorado Governor-elect, Jared Polis.*