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Comments on:

A Simple Equitable Scheme to reduce CO₂.....

- * Policy makers in all participating countries will need to agree on whose scientific designs to use. Whose standards, which is the “Best Science”?
- * Vehicles are a main source of CO₂. The cost of owning a low emission vehicle is getting lower each year. More alternative, low emission fuels are being used.
- * Countries who want to participate in the treaty but lack the government resources to implement the standards, could try local universities or some exchange programs with bigger nations.
- * Public awareness of the world’s CO₂ problem could be raised with the use of artists, musicians etc. These artists could be sponsored by the Insurance industry. They would be promoting the awareness of the CO₂ problem, not a commercial for the insurance company.

1. Policy makers in all participating countries will need to agree on whose scientific designs to use. As we've seen with the controversy of doctors being influenced by the drug industry, the "Best Science" in this scheme will need be decided by an a political non profit agency. This group should be an international collaboration so that no country's inventions and ideas are left out of the process. Those countries that are part of the treaty will have to make formal agreements to approve which scientific designs should be used.

2. For those who would complain that lowering emissions cost to much for the initial investment, A recent study showed that cars with lower CO2 emissions are now priced only slightly higher than regular gas fueled vehicles(about \$700). This makes for an easier choice to support CO2 reduction.

3. There may be several responsible countries who want to join this treaty but may not have the government resources to implement this kind of program or it's idea to policy makers. Perhaps that country does have a university where students can get a hands on training of this treaty. Information could be distributed online (where possible). Several departments of local educational could participate in the science, publicity to promote public awareness of harmful CO2 emissions. It would be in the best interest of those countries with more resources to send instructors and students to exchange strategy and ideas.

4. For those who may say that world wide awareness of the CO2 problem is very low. In 1972 pop singer Marvin Gaye released song about saving the environment. The public pays attention to creative people in the arts especially in Pop music. Since the insurance industry is involved, they could endorse artists in several countries, and have them help with world wide awareness. Perhaps the sales of these artists music about the environment would help offset some of the taxes smaller countries could not afford.