The rising concern about a potential global energy crisis and its impact on the economy and environment calls for a transition from the current development paradigm to a sustainable one. Such a transition poses a significant challenge for scientists, industries and governments requiring innovative energy and environmental policies to save energy and reduce environmental and social impacts. Management towards a low carbon future needs to be cognizant of the social, cultural and institutional as well as the biophysical and geographical context within which it takes place taking advantage of the synergies provided by ecosystem services and technological regimes developing nature-inspired production and consumption systems. There is already plenty of literature on these problems, along with an abundance of journals with disciplinary territories and sharp boundaries on the intellectual landscape. However, we need a problem-oriented forum, transcending disciplinary boundaries, for putting the pieces together promoting informed discussions of an integrated vision of a sustainable human and natural world.

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