Future Generations: A bibliography (In English only)
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I. Apparently the first major philosopher to identify and write extensively about the issue of intergenerational fairness was John Rawls, *A Theory of Justice*, Harvard University Press, 1971 (See also his *Justice as Fairness: A Restatement*. Harvard University Press, 2001)

Two volumes were devoted entirely to Future Generations soon after:


II. Subsequently, several futures generation groups were established:


B. Following the Rio UN Conference on the Environment in 1992, another group, Institute for the Integrated Study of Future Generations, was established in Kyoto, Japan, by Katsuhiko Yazaki of Japan and Tae-Chang Kim of Korea. It also held conferences and published several volumes of essays:
   In addition to essays by Yazaki and Kim, there were articles on "Why we should care about Future Generations now" by Sakae Shimizu, Wendell Bell, Emmanuel Agius, Allen Tough and Rick Slaughter
In addition to essays by the previous authors, this volume also had articles by Eric Chaisson, Jim Dator, Howard Didsbury, Jr., Kido Inoue, Theodore Kheel, Daniel Leighton, and Oliver Markley.


New contributors were Sohail Inayatullah, Christopher Jones, Godwin Sogolo, Wilfrido Villacorta, Alexandre Timoshenko, Duane Elgin, Christopher Stone, Bruce Tonn, Ana Maria Sandi, Nicholas Albery, Martha Rogers, Natalie Dian and Christel Nilsson, John Seed and Anja Light, Ernest Partridge, Keekok Lee, Norman Care, and Salvatore Privitera.


C. A group concerned with intergenerational justice formed in Germany, publishing essays and a journal:


*Intergenerational Justice Review* (IGJR)

Stiftung für die Rechte zukünftiger Generationen(FOUNDATION FOR THE RIGHTS OF FUTURE GENERATIONS) Oberursel, Germany.

D. One futurist who has thought and written extensively about future generations for some time is Bruce Tonn:


III. Other books and articles about future generations:


Alan Auerbach, et al., eds., *Generational Accounting around the World*. University of Chicago Press, 1999


Jim Dator, Dick Pratt, Yongseok Seo, *Fairness, Globalization, and Public Institutions: East Asia and Beyond* (University of Hawaii Press, 2006), pp. 25-31 where "fairness" is defined and discussed, including in relation to "future generations", and pp 186-92 when "future generations" are discussed in relation to "governmental foresight" activities.


Andrew Dobson, ed., *Fairness and Futurity*. Oxford University Press, 1999


Chris Groves, "Do we have responsibilities to future generations?" <www.cardiff.ac.uk/sosci/futures/conf_cg_philicafe150708.pdf>


Peter Laslett and James Fishkin, eds., Justice between Age Groups and Generations. Yale University Press, 1992


Rachel Muers, Living for the Future: Theological Ethics for Coming Generations. T & T Clark, 2008?


Derek Parfit, "Doing the Best for our Children," in Michael Bayles, ed., Ethics and Population. Schankman, 1976


**IV. Court Case:**

To my knowledge, only one judiciary has acted affirmatively on behalf of future generations. In the case, *Oposa vs. Factoran, Jr.*, (1993) the Philippine Supreme Court ruled that representatives of future generations have standing and thus can bring legal action to prevent environmental destruction which diminishes the quality of life of future generations.

**V. Unesco Declaration:**


**VI. On "Discounting the Future" See:**


