



A Masterclass for Policymakers and Policy Advisors: Rethinking the Theoretical Foundation of Economics

Collective problems require collective intelligence.

Climate instability, technological disruption, social fragmentation, and geopolitical risk are escalating simultaneously – yet the institutions designed to manage them are increasingly misaligned, siloed, and contested.

The Multilevel Economics Masterclass equips policymakers and policy advisors with a new analytical and practical framework for addressing today's interconnected challenges—one that moves beyond the false choice between market fundamentalism and centralized control. Grounded in the multilevel economic paradigm, the Masterclass provides the concepts, tools, and applied methods needed to design policies and institutions that strengthen cooperation, restore agency, and promote sustainable human flourishing at local, national, and global levels.

Why This Masterclass Matters for Policymakers

Most policy failures today do not stem from lack of expertise or effort. They stem from misalignment across levels of governance.

- Policies optimized at the individual or sectoral level undermine collective outcomes.
- National strategies fail to scale to global challenges.
- Global agreements lack the institutional and social foundations needed for implementation.

The multilevel economic paradigm addresses this gap by asking a different question:

How can institutions be designed so that individuals, organizations, nations, and global systems all pull in the same direction?

This Masterclass translates cutting-edge research on cultural evolution, multilevel selection, and complex adaptive systems into actionable guidance for real-world policymaking.

What Policymakers Will Gain

Participants in the Policy Track will leave with:

- A clear diagnostic framework for identifying multilevel misalignment in existing policies and institutions.
- Practical tools for designing institutions that align incentives, norms, and identities across governance levels.
- A deeper understanding of how solidarity, agency, economic gain, and environmental sustainability can be jointly promoted—rather than traded off against one another.
- A policy brief or institutional design proposal directly relevant to their current portfolio (2–3 pages, suitable for internal circulation or external consultation).
- Access to an international network of policy innovators working across G7, G20, and multilateral contexts.

From Theory to Policy Practice

The Masterclass is not a lecture series. It is a **guided policy laboratory**. Across seven interactive weekly sessions, participants apply the multilevel paradigm to concrete policy challenges such as:

- Climate finance and climate cooperation
- Digital governance and AI disruption
- Corporate governance and long-term value creation
- Social cohesion and democratic resilience
- Crisis response under radical uncertainty

Participants are encouraged to bring live policy challenges from their own institutions. These are analyzed collaboratively using structured diagnostic and design tools, enabling immediate relevance and institutional learning.

The Policy Track: Designed for Action

The Policy Track is specifically structured for policymakers and advisors working in:

- National ministries and regulatory agencies
- International organizations and development banks
- Central banks and fiscal authorities
- Think tanks and policy advisory units

Policy Track Output

Each participant develops a concise, decision-ready policy brief or institutional design plan that:

- Identifies the multilevel nature of a collective problem
- Diagnoses failures of alignment across actors and governance levels
- Proposes institutional, regulatory, or incentive-based reforms
- Anticipates political, social, and implementation constraints

A Global Policy Ecosystem

Participants join a broader ecosystem translating the multilevel paradigm into global policy practice, including:

- **Global Solutions Initiative:** Connecting ideas to G20, G7, and international policy dialogues
- **Prosocial World:** Advancing evidence-based cooperation and institutional design
- **Institute for Global Prosperity:** Linking policy design to lived prosperity and community outcomes
- **Economics:** Shaping public narratives around economic transformation

Selected policy outputs may feed into international policy dialogues, solution spaces, and public-facing policy platforms, extending their impact beyond the classroom.

Format and Commitment

- **Duration:** Seven weekly sessions
- **Format:** Online, interactive (90 minutes per session, plus optional discussion)
- **Approach:** Small-cohort, practice-oriented, cross-sectoral
- **Participants:** Policymakers, senior advisors, researchers, and institutional leaders

The Masterclass is designed to engage institutions, not just individuals, supporting internal dissemination and follow-on pilot initiatives.

A New Policy Mindset for a Fragmented World

The multilevel economic paradigm does not offer a technocratic fix or a one-size-fits-all blueprint. Instead, it provides a policy mindset suited to complexity, uncertainty, and pluralism – one that recognizes that cooperation must be cultivated, not assumed.

For policymakers, it offers a way to rebuild trust, coordination, and effectiveness by ensuring that governance structures match the scale and scope of the problems they are meant to solve.

Join the Masterclass

If you are working at the frontier of policy design, and seeking tools equal to today's shared challenges, we invite you to join this global learning community.

For participation or further information:

- Visit our [Website](#)
- Or email hello@prosocial.world