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Michael Shellenberger and Ted Nordhaus are leading global thinkers on energy, climate, security, human development, and politics. Their 2007 book *Break Through* was called “prescient” by *Time* and “the best thing to happen to environmentalism since *Silent Spring*” by *Wired*. Their 2004 essay, “The Death of Environmentalism,” was featured on the front page of the *Sunday New York Times*, sparked a national debate, and inspired a generation of young environmentalists.

Over the years, the two have been profiled in the *New York Times*, *Wired*, the *National Review*, *The New Republic*, and on NPR. In 2007, they received the Green Book Award and *Time* magazine’s 2008 “Heroes of the Environment” award.

In 2011, Nordhaus and Shellenberger started the *Breakthrough Journal*, which *The New Republic* called “among the most complete answers” to the question of how to modernize liberal thought, and the *National Review* called “the most promising effort at self-criticism by our liberal cousins in a long time.”

Shellenberger and Nordhaus are leaders of a paradigm shift in climate and energy policy. They proposed “making clean energy cheap” in the *Harvard Law and Policy Review*, explained why the Kyoto climate treaty failed in *Democracy Journal*, and predicted the bursting of the green bubble in *The New Republic* and *American Prospect*, criticized “green jobs” in *The New Republic*, and pointed a way forward for climate policy in the *Wall Street Journal*.

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