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Exploration of Prefixes of Global Discourse

Implications for sustainable confidality

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Introduction

The two tables presented below endeavour to highlight the use of prefixes and especially the use of "con" as a prefix. These complement the earlier tables on a more extensive array of prefixes (*New Paradigms via a Renewed Set of Prefixes: dependence of international policy-making on an array of operational terms*, 2003). Table 2 is reproduced from that study. It should be stressed that **these exercises are deliberately exploratory with the intention of scoping out the possibility for more systematic and detailed investigation**. Indicative **extracts** from the tables here are presented in the [main paper](#).

One question is how such information might be more fruitfully presented to encourage investigation and offer an early sense of potentially interesting conclusions. What is the form of presentation of an array of prefixes which would enable new thinking on global discourse of relevance to any global currency? This question is taken up in a second Annex B (*Embodiment of Identity in Conscious Creativity*).

The first table highlights the "con-words", using one tentative clustering. The second distributes usage of the word-roots between a selected set of prefixes, using a second approach to clustering. The second table, from the earlier research, combines the prefixes, co- and com- with con-, whereas the first considers only the latter.

Notable omissions from the first table are instances of "double" prefixes, such as **unconscious**. A questionable feature of this preliminary exercise is the inclusion as prefixed "con-words" of words where the root is not a word independent of the prefix (as with the "-scious" portion of "con-sciuous"). In this respect the case of "-cept" (as in concept") is especially interesting through its etymological relation to "taking in" -- potentially as a prelude to engendering. The tables could of course be enriched in future by indicating frequencies of prefix usage.

Alternative clusterings of word-roots

Two separate approaches were taken in tentatively clustering the items in the tables

Alternative clusterings of word-roots	
Table 1	Table 2
1. Structure / Order / Pattern <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Boundednes / Integrity / Identity 2. Complementarity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attitude • Attribute • Change • Cut • Engage • Hold • Initiate • Match • Mirror • Move • Position
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4. Agreement / Disagreement <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Norm / Patten 2. Visibility / Salience / Transparency / Trickery / Subterfuge / 	

3. Judgement / Opinion / Belief 4. Discourse 5. Deprive / Attribute 5. Engender 1. Influence 2. Outcome 3. Collapse / Fusion 6. Implication / Meaning 1. Knowledge 7. Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relate • Shape • Verify • View
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Word-roots prefixed with "con-"

Considerations in identifying words for this table:

- exclude words in which the part after "con" has no separate meaning, so no short words (eg cone)
- include words to which other prefixes can be applied (conscience: nescience, prescience)
- give priority to "con-" words of potential interest to the argument

Table 1: Word-roots prefixed with "con" juxtaposed with their use with other prefixes (roughly clustered as indicated in the left-hand column)		
Root	Con+root	Variants based on other prefixes whether on noun or verb (excluding versions with multiple prefixes)
1.0 Structure / Order / Pattern		
-join / -jointly	conjoin / conjointly	adjoin, conjoin, disjoin, enjoin, injoin, interjoin, misjoin, rejoin, subjoin, underjoin, unjoin
-vene / -vention	convene / convention	circumvention, contravention, intervention, invention, obvention, prevention, subvention, supervision,
-ference	conference	circumference, deference, difference, inference, interference, preference, reference, transference
-volution / -volute	convolution / convolute	advolution, circumvolution, devolution, evolution, intervolution, involution, revolution,
-stitution	constitution	destitution, institution, prostitution, reinstatement, restitution, substitution
-figuration / -figure	configuration / configure	defigure, disfigure, prefigure, refigure, transfigure
-struct / -struction	construct / construction	destruction, instruction, obstruction, substruction, superstruction
-tortion	contortion	detortion, distortion, extortion, intortion, retortion
-gregation / -gregate	congregation / congregate	aggregation, disgregation, segregation
-clave	conclave	enclave, exclave, inclave
-verge / -vergence	converge / convergence	devergence, divergence
-glomeration	conglomeration	agglomeration
-nect / -nection	connect / connection	subnect
-terminous	conterminous	-
-stellate / -stellation	constellate / constellation	-
-fraternity	confraternity	-
-sortium	consortium	-
-catenate	concatenate	-
-federate / -federation	confederate / confederation	-
-dominium	condominium	-
1.1 Boundedness / Integrity / Identity		
-traction	contraction	abstraction, attraction, detraction, distraction, extraction, protraction, retraction, substruction, subtraction
-stable	constable	bistable, contrastable, instable, intastable, metastable, nonstable, prestable, unstable
-dition	condition	dedition, edition, extradition, perdition, prodiction, rediction, sedition, tradition
-tain / -tainer	contain / container	attain, detain, distain, obtain, pertain, retain, sustain
-strict / -striction / -stringe	constrict / constriction / constringe	astriction, districion, obstruction, presstriction, restriction
-strain / -straint	constrain / constraint	distrain, overstrain, restrain, superstrain, unstrain
-text	context	intext, pretext
-servation / -serve	conservation / conserve	preservation, reservation
-tinence	continence	abstinence, pertinence,
-tact	contact	intact
-tour	contour	detour
-valesce	convalesce	-
1.2 Complementarity		
-verse	converse	adverse, averse, converse, diverse, everse, inverse, obverse, perverse, reverse, subverse, transverse, traverse, underverse, universe
-sistence	consistence	absistence, insistence, overinsistence, persistence, resistance, subsistence,
-sonance	consonance	assonance, dissonance, equisonance, resonance, unisonance,
-silience	consilience	dissilience, resilience, transilience
-similitude	consimilitude	dissimilitude, verisimilitude,
-socation	consociation	association, dissociation
-tiguity	contiguity	-
-comitant / -comitance	concomitant / concomitance	-
-gruence / -gruity	congruence / congruity	-

2.0 Time		
-current	concurrent	countercurrent, crosscurrent, decurrent, discurrent, excurrent, incurrent, intercurrent, occurrent, percurrent, recurrent, uncurrent, undercurrent,
-secutive	consecutive	prosecutive, subsecutive
-temporary / -temporaneity	contemporary / contemporaneity	cotemporary, extemporary
-tinuity	continuity	-
-tinuum	continuum	-
3.0 Focus / Concern / Commitment		
-fluence	confluence	affluence, circumfluence, diffluence, effluence, fluence, influence, profluence, refluxence, superfluence
-cise	concise	abscise, circumsise, criticise, excise, incise, precise
-cern	concern	decern, discern, excern
-dense / -densation	condense / condensation	-
-centrate	concentrate	-
-cert	concert	-
-solidate	consolidate	-
3.1 Intimacy / Entanglement		
-sort	consort	assort, besort, missort, resort
-specific	conspecific	nonspecific, subspecific, unspecific
-nubial	connubial	manubial, pronubial
-sanguine / -sanguinity	consanguine / consanguinity	ensanguine, exsanguine
-cubine / -cubinage	concubine / concubinage	succubine
-fidentiality / -fiding	confidentiality / confiding	-
-genital	congenital	-
-jugal	conjugal	-
-cupiscence	concupiscence	-
-dom	condom	-
3.2 Empathy / Feeling		
-tent / -tentment	content / contentment	attent, detent, distent, extent, intent, ostent, portent, potent, retent, untent
-temper	contemper	attemper, destemper, distemper, mistemper, obtemper, untemper
-genial	congenial	primigenial, primogenial, ungenial
-solation / -sole	consolation / console	desolation, insolation, isolation
-dolence	condolence	indolence, redolence
-fidence	confidence	diffidence, prefidence
-tempt	contempt	attempt, overtempt
-trition	contrition	attrition, detrition
-dign	condign	indign
-nption	connption	-
-descension	condescension	-
4.0 Agreement / Disagreement		
-cession / -cede	concession / concede	abscission, accession, decession, discession, incession, intercession, introcession, precession, procession, recession, retrocession, secession, succession
-vent	convent	advent, circumvent, event, intervent, invent, prevent, provent,
-cur	concur	excur, incur, intercur, occur, recur, reincur, transcur
-tract	contract	attract, detract, distract, extract, protract, retract, subtract
-sent / -senting	consent / consenting	absent, assent, dissent, present, resent, unsent
-test	contest	obtest, pretest, protest, retest
-cordance	concordance	accordance, discordance, recordance
-firm / -firmation	confirm / confirmation	affirmation, obfirmation
-sension	consension	dissension, presension
-substantiate / -substantiation	consubstantiate / consubstantiation	transubstantiate
-flict	conflict	afflict, inflict,
-front	confront	affront, effront
-sensus / -sensual	consensus / consensual	supersensual,
-ciliation	conciliation	domiciliation
-done / -donation	condone / condonation	-
-troversy / -troversial	controversy / controversial	-
-cordat	concordat	-
4.1 Pattern / Norm		
-form / -formity	conform / conformity	biform, deform, efform, enform, inform, outform, perform, preform, reform, transform, unform, uniform, variform
-stant	constant	circumstant, distant, instant, restant, substant
-suetude	consuetude	assuetude, desuetude, insuetude
4.2 Visibility / Salience / Trickery / Subterfuge		
-spiracy / -spiration	conspiracy / conspiracy	aspiration, inspiration, interspiration, perspiration, respiration, suspiration, transpiration,
-vert	convert	revert, divert, subvert, invert, pervert
-juration / -juror	conjuration / conjuror	abjuration, adjuration, objuration
-spicuous	conspicuous	perspicuous, transpicuous
-nivance / -nive	connivance / connive	-
-ceal	conceal	-
4.3 Judgement / Opinion / Belief		
		adversion, anteversion, aversion, contraversion, controversion, diversion, eversion,

-version	conversion	extraversion, extroversion, introversion, inversion, obversion, perversion, retroversion, reversion, subversion, transversion,
-scribe / -scription	conscribe / conscription	ascription, circumscription, description, inscription, prescription, proscription, rescription, subscription, superscription, transcription,
-viction / -vince	conviction / convince	eviction, reviction
-ceit	conceit	deceit, receipt
-demnation	condemnation	-
-vict	convict	-
4.4 Discourse		
-vocation / -voke	convocation / convoke	advocation, avocation, devocation, equivocation, evocation, invocation, provocation, revocation, sevocation, univocation
-gress	congress	aggress, digress, egress, ingress, progress, regress, transgress
-fer / -ference	confer / -ference	afer, circumfer, defer, infer, prefer, refer
-versation / -verse	conversation / converse	aversation, malversation, tergiversation
-fess / -fession	confess / confession	profess
-sult / -sultation	consult / consultation	insult, result
-fabulate	confabulate	-
4.5 Deprive / Attribute		
-sign / -signment	consign / consignment	assign, cosign, countersign, design, ensign, obsign, resign, subsign, undersign
-fine / -finement	confine / confinement	affine, define, diffine, prefine, redefine, refine, superfine
-ferment / -ferral	conferment / conferral	deferment, preferment, referment
-signify / -signification	consignify / consignification	adsignify, presignify
-fute	confute	refute
-fiscate	confiscate	-
-gratulation	congratulation	-
5.0 Engender		
-cept / -ception / -ceive	concept / conception / conceive	acceptance, contraception, deception, exception, inception, interception, misconception, perception, preception, proception, proprioception, reception, superconception, susception,
-fect / -fection	confect / confection	affection, defection, disaffection, effectation, infection, perfection, profaction, refaction
-coct	concoct	decoct, excoct, recoct
5.1 Influence		
-duce / -ducive	conduce / conducive	abduce, adduce, circumduce, deduce, educe, induce, interduce, introduce, obduce, produce, reduce, seduce, subduce, traduce, transduce
-duct / -duction / -ductor	conduct / conduction / conductor	abduct, adduct, deduct, educt, induct, introduct, obduct, product, reduct, subduct, traduct
-crete	concrete	accrete, decrete, discrete, excrete
-trol	control	-
5.2 Outcome		
-clusion (closure)	conclusion	circumclusion, disclusion, exclusion, inclusion, interclusion, occlusion, preclusion, reclusion, seclusion
-gestion	congestion	digestion, disgestion, egestion, indigestion, ingestion, suggestion,
-found	confound	infound, profound, refund
-secrate / -secration	consecrate / consecration	desecrate, obsecrate, unconsecrate
-sequence	consequence	subsequence
-summate / -summation	consummate / consummation	missummation
-tagion / -tagious	contagion / contagious	-
-taminare / -tamination	contaminate / contamination	-
5.3 Collapse / Fusion		
-fusion	confusion	affusion, circumfusion, diffusion, effusion, fusion, infusion, interfusion, intrafusion, perfusion, profusion, refusion, suffusion, transfusion
-flux	conflux	afflux, deflux, efflux, influx, overflow, reflux, superflux, transflux
-sume / -sumption	consume / consumption	absumption, assumption, presumption, resumption, subsumption, transumption
-glutination	conglutination	agglutination, deglutination
-flation	conflation	inflation / reflation
-flagration	conflagration	deflagration
-geal	congeal	-
-globation	conglobation	-
6.0 Implication / Meaning		
-jection	jection	abjection, adjection, dejection, disjection, ejection, injection, interjection, introjection, objection, projection, rejection, subjection, superinjection, trajectory
-tention / -tentious	contention / contentious	abstention, attention, detention, distention, intention, irretention, pretention, retention, sustention,
-nate / -nature / -nation	connate / connature / connation	denature, ornature, transnature, unnature,
-notation / -note	connotation / connote	annotation, denotation, subnotation,
-jecture	conjecture	dejecture, projecture
-sider / -sideration	consider / consideration	desideration
-sternation	consternation	prosternation
-template / -templation	contemplate / contemplation	-
-strue	construe	-
-statation	constatation	-
6.1 Knowledge		
-science	conscience	inscience, nescience, omniscience, prescience, unscience,
-scious	conscious	lascious, luscious, multiscious, omniscious
-sentient	consentient	assentient, cosentient, dissentient, insentient, presentient
-cussion	concussion	discussion, excussion, percussion, recussion, repercussion, succussion

-scientious -versance	conscientious conversance	overconscientious, unconscientious
-noisseur	connoisseur	-
7.0 Misc		
-tingency / -tingent	contingency / contingent	-
-tribution	contribution	distribution, retribution,
-venance	convenance	prevenance, provenance, souvenance
-venience	convenience	intervenience, prevenience, provenience
-quer / -quest	conquer / conquest	request, inquest
-vey	convey	

Selected prefixes and their usage in relation to word-roots

Word-roots	Cluster	Prefixes								
		Co- Com- / Con-	Re- Retro-	De- Down From / Away	Dis- / Di- Separation Apart	Pro- / Pre- Before For / Forward	In- / Im- Into On / Upon	Ex- / E- Extro- Out of Beyond	A- / Ab-	
1-sent(ment)	Attitude	Consent	Resent		Dissent	Present(ation) / Present(i)ment			Assent	
2-script	Attribute	Conscript	Rescript	Description		Prescription / Proscription	Inscription		Ascription	
3-sign	Attribute	Consign	Resign	Design		Presign	Insignia?		Assign	
4-voke	Attribute	Convoke	Revoke			Provoke	Invoke	Evoke	Avocation	
5-act(ive)	Change	Coaction	Reactive	Deactivate	Disactive?	Proactive	Inactive	Exact		
6-duce	Change	Conducive	Reduce	Deduce		Produce	Induce	Educe	Adduce / Abduction	
7-gress(ion)	Change	Congress	Regress	Degress	Digress	Progress	Ingress	Egress	Aggress	
8-miss(ion)	Change	Commission	Remission	Demission	Dismiss	Promise?	Intromission	Emission		
9-spire	Change	Conspire	Respire / Despise?				Inspire	Expire	Aspire	
10-sume	Change	Consume	Resume			Presume		Exhume?	Assume	
11-cede	Cut	Concede	Recede			Procedure / Precede		Exceed?	Accede	
12-cession	Cut	Concession	Recession			Procession / Precession			Accession	
13-cision	Cut	Concision	Rescind?	Decision		Precision	Incision	Excision	Abcision	
14-tract	Engage	Contract	Retract	Detract	Distract	Protract	Intractable	Extract	Attract	
15-press(ion)	Hold	Compress	Repress	Depress		Prepress	Impress	Express		
16-serve	Hold	Conserve	Reserve	Deserve	Disserve					
17-tain	Hold	Contain	Retain	Detain	Disdain?				Attain	
18-ject(ion)	Initiate	Conjecture	Reject	Deject(ed)		Project	Inject	Eject	Abject	
19-vent(ion)	Initiate	Convention	Re(in)vent			Prevent	Invent	Event		
20-cord	Match	Concord	Record		Discord				Accord	
21-fer(ence)	Match	Confer(ence)	Refer(ence)	Defer(ence)	Differ	Proffer / Prefer(ence)	Infer(ence)			
22-verse	Mirror	Converse / Covert / Conversion	Reverse		Diverse	Proverse	Inverse / Introvert	Extrovert		
23-volution	Mirror	Convolution	Revolution	Devolution			Involution	Evolution		
24-motion	Move	Commotion	Remote	Demote		Promotion		Emote		
25-port	Move	Comport	Report	Deport	Disport	Proportion	Import	Export		
26-position	Position	Composition	Reposition	Deposition	Disposition	Proposition	Imposition	Exposition		
27-sist(ance)	Position	Consist	Resist	Desist			Insist	Exist?	Assist	
28-join	Relate	Conjoin	Rejoin		Disjoin					
29-late	Relate	Collate	Relate		Dilate	Prolate/Prelate				
30-pend	Relate	Co(de)pend		Depend		Propend/Prepend	Impending	Expend	Append	
31-tend	Relate	Contend			Distend	Pretend/Protend	Intend	Extend	Attend	
32-tent(ion)	Relate	Contention	Retention	Detention	Distention	Pretention	Intention	Extension	Attention	
33-fect	Shape	Confection	Refect(ory)	Defect		Prefect	Infection	Effect	Affect	
34-fine	Shape	Confine	Refine	Define					Affine	
35-flate	Shape	Conflate	Reflate?	Deflate	Dis(af)fection		Inflate			
36-form(ation)	Shape	Conform	Reform(ation)	Deform(ation)	Disformity?	Preform / Proforma?	Inform(ation)			
37-struct	Shape	Construct	Restructure	Destruct			Instruct			
38-prove	Verify		Reprove		Disprove		Improve		Approve	
39-sure	Verify		Re(assure)			Pressure	Insure		Assure	
40-test	Verify	Contest	Retest	Detest		Protest/Pretest	Intestate?		Attest	
41-validate	Verify	Covalidate	Revalidate	Devalidate			Invalidate			
42-ception	View	Concept	Reception	Deception		Precept	Inception	Exception		
43-spect	View		Respect			Prospect	Inspect	Expect ?	Aspect	
44-vice /	View		Revision	Devise	Division	Provision/Prevision				



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