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Michael is considered a "climate guru," "North America's leading public intellectual on clean energy," and "high priest" of the environmental humanist movement.

He is an invited reviewer of the next Assessment Report for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and advises policymakers around the world, including in the U.S., Japan, Taiwan, South Korea, the Philippines, Australia, United Kingdom, the Netherlands, and Belgium.

Michael has helped save nuclear reactors around the world, from Illinois and New York to South Korea and Taiwan, thereby preventing an increase in air pollution equivalent to adding over 24 million cars to the road.

He is a regular contributor to Forbes, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, and The Washington Post, and his TED talks ("How Fear of Nuclear Hurts the Environment," "Why I Changed My Mind About Nuclear Power" and "Why Renewables Can't Save the Planet") have been viewed over four million times.

Michael was featured in "Pandora's Promise," an award-winning film about environmentalists who changed their minds about nuclear, and appeared on "The Colbert Report." He debated Ralph Nader on CNN's "Crossfire" and Stanford University's Mark Jacobsen at UCLA .

He is co-founder of Breakthrough Institute, where he was president from 2003 - 2015, and served as an advisor to MIT's "Future of Nuclear Energy" task force.

He is coauthor of visionary books and essays including "An Ecomodernist Manifesto," "The Death of Environmentalism," Love Your Monsters, and Break Through: From the Death of Environmentalism to Politics of Possibility, which was called "prescient" by Time Magazine, and "the best thing to happen to environmentalism since Rachel Carson's Silent Spring" by Wired Magazine. He has been profiled in the New York Times, San Francisco Chronicle, National Review, New Republic, and NPR.

Michael's research and writing have appeared in The Harvard Law and Policy Review, Democracy Journal, Scientific American, Nature Energy, PLOS Biology, The New Republic, and cited by the New York Times, Slate, USA Today, Washington Post, New York Daily News, The New Republic.

Michael has been an environmental and social justice advocate for over 25 years. In the 1990s he helped save California's last unprotected ancient redwood forest, and inspire Nike to improve factory conditions in Asia. In the 2000s, Michael advocated for a "new Apollo project" in clean energy, which resulted in a \$150 billion public investment in clean tech between 2009 and 2015.

Michael lives in Berkeley, California and travels widely.