

# Earthland

**Think of the world as a single country!**

**What does it look like?**

**A “developing” country!**



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# **The South Commission**

Were all humanity a single nation-state, the present North-South divide would make it an unviable, semi-feudal entity, split by internal conflicts. Its small part is advanced, prosperous, powerful; its much bigger part is underdeveloped, poor, powerless. A nation so divided within itself would be recognized as unstable. A world so divided should likewise be recognized as unstable. And the position is worsening, not improving.

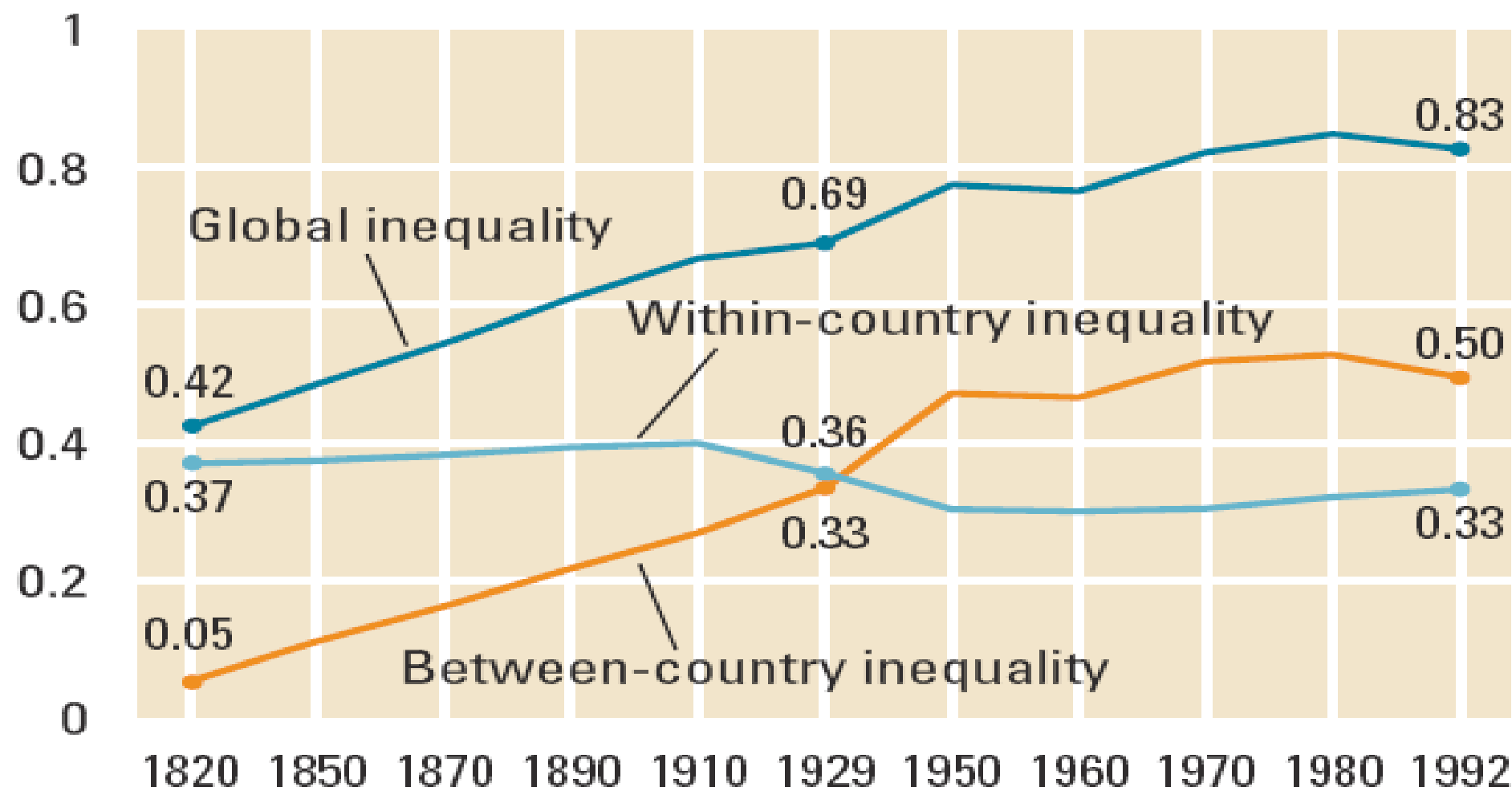
*The Challenge to the South, OUP 1990*

# The Brundtland Commission

- Endemic poverty/inequity = ecological crises
- Needs determined socio-culturally; promote values to enable living within ecological limits
- SD=Increase productive potential + ensure equitable opportunity+pop within limits
- Growth has no set limits before disaster; but need equity long before reaching ult limits
- Strategies for R (sus yld) and NR (options)
- Common interest does not stop growth

**Figure 3.10 Inequality between countries became much more important over the long run**

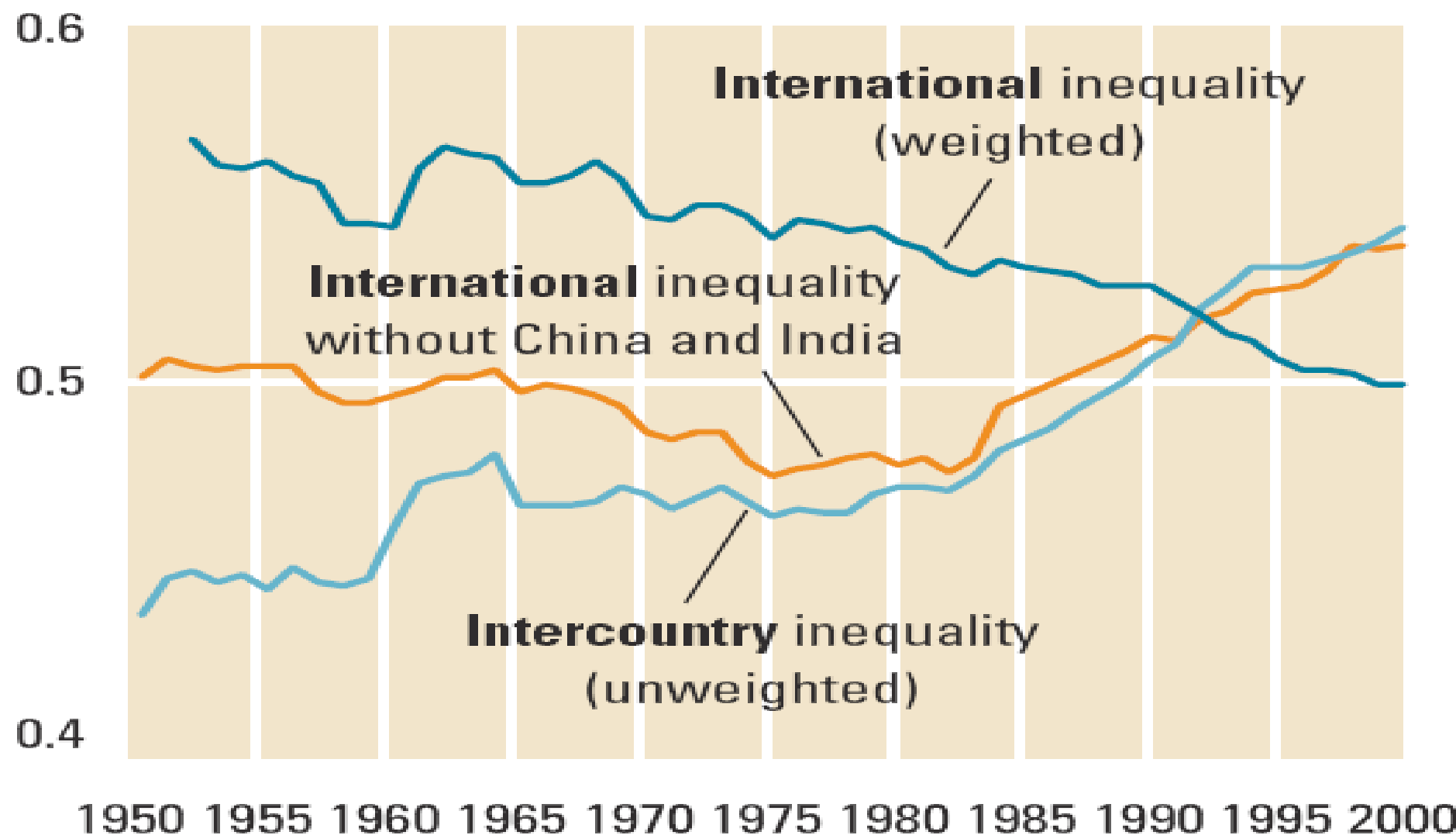
Mean log deviation



*Source:* Authors' manipulation of data from Bourguignon and Morrisson (2002).

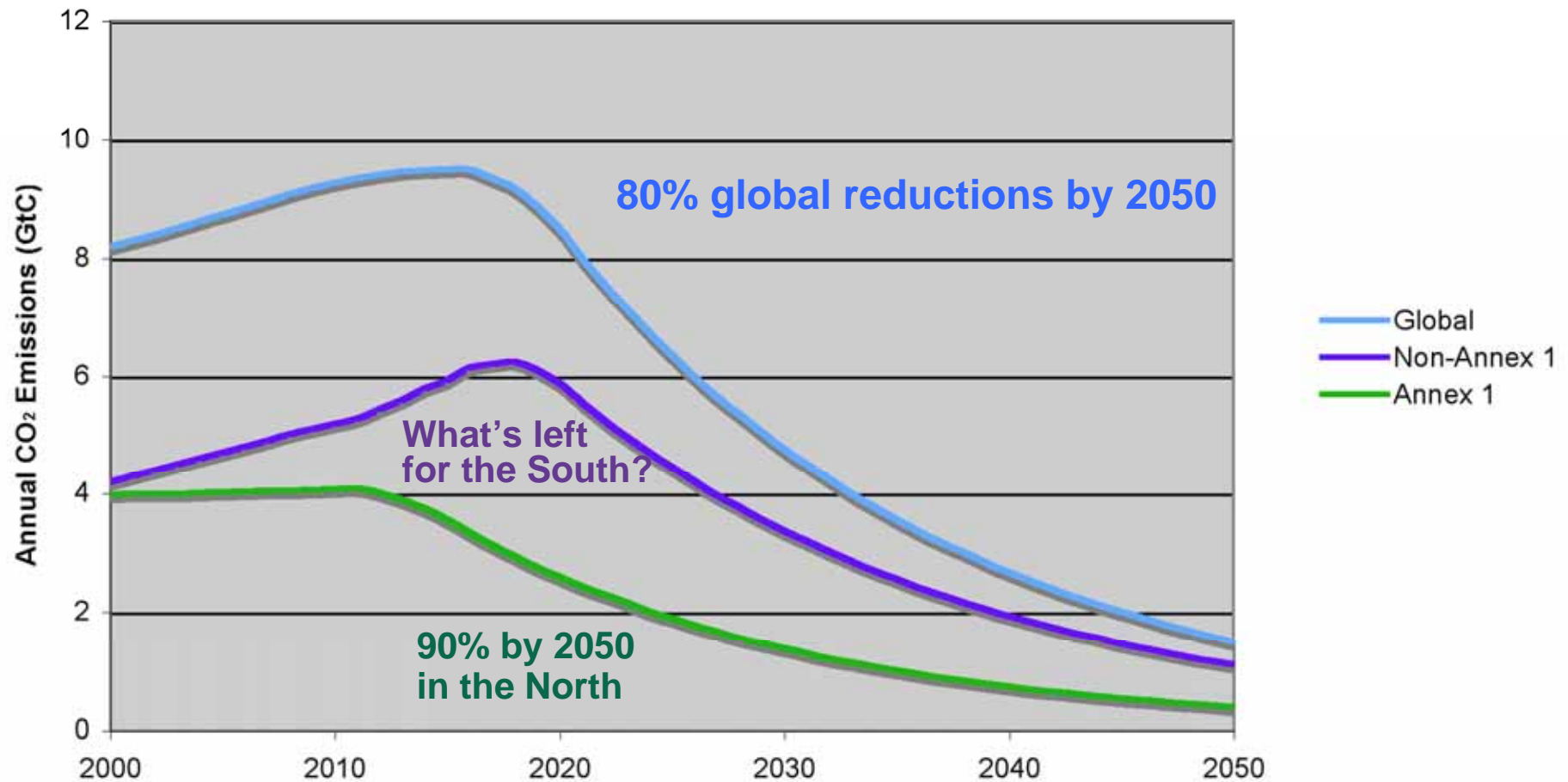
**Figure 3.7 Since 1950, intercountry inequality increased, while international inequality declined**

Gini index



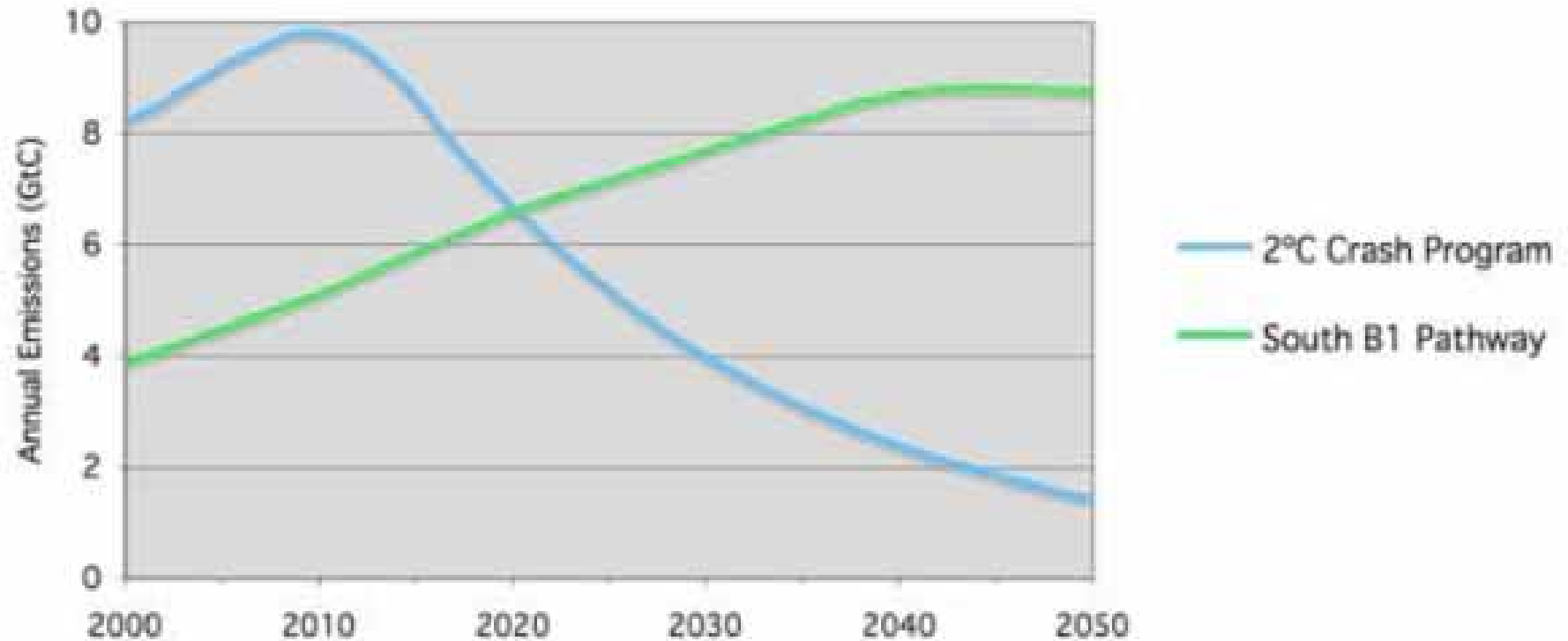
Source: Milanovic (2005).

# Emission Trajectories for 450 ppm



What kind of climate regime can make this possible?

# From emissions to obligations



Available Southern emissions budget under the 2°C Crash Program, plotted against the South's SRES B1 pathway emissions. Note that Northern emissions are assumed to magically drop to zero in 2020 – the South's budget reflects the *entire* global emissions budget.



Human Development Index

