## "Why Bother?"

For weeks now we have watched the spectacle of grown politicians who should have more sense, debating whether to have 20% cuts by 2020, or 50% cuts by 2050, or something even more stupid like Al Gore's target of producing 100% of electricity from windmills, sunshine and hot rocks within 10 years. Our own weirdo, Bob Brown, wants a carbon free world. None of them have any idea how to achieve these dream-time targets, some have no intention of trying, and our bemused population has no idea what it will cost.

But why is no-one asking "Why Bother trying?"

There is no global warming crisis, carbon dioxide is a clean beneficial agent in the atmosphere, and even if it happened to double, all we would notice would be a greener planet. As the Russians understand very clearly, "a warm greenhouse is better than a cold icehouse."

The sensible Italian Prime Minister remarked last week that it is absurd to be talking about carbon emissions in the face of a world financial crisis.

"It is like someone with pneumonia thinking about having a hairdo."

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