

## Ken Wilber's 20 Tenets of the Tendencies of Evolutionary Systems

1. Reality as a whole is composed of 'Holons'
2. All holons display the fundamental capacity of agency or self-preservation
3. All holons display the fundamental capacity of communion or self-adaptation
4. All holons display the fundamental capacity of eros or self-transcendence
5. All holons display the fundamental capacity of thanatos or self-dissolution
6. Holons emerge
7. Holons emerge holarchically
8. Each emergent holon transcends but includes its predecessor(s)
9. A lower holon sets the possibilities of the higher and the higher holon sets the possibilities of the lower
10. The number of levels that a holarchy comprises determines whether it is 'shallow' or 'deep' and the number of holons on any level determines its 'span'
11. Each successive level of evolution produces greater depth and less span.
12. The greater the depth of a holon, the greater its degree of Consciousness
13. Destroy any holon and all the holons above are destroyed but none of the holons below
14. Holarchies co-evolve
15. The micro is in relational exchange with the macro at all levels of its depth
16. Evolution has a directionality of increasing complexity
17. Evolution has a directionality of increasing differentiation/integration
18. Evolution has a directionality of increasing organisation/structuration
19. Evolution has a directionality of increasing relative autonomy
20. Evolution has a directionality of increasing telos/destiny

Additionally: Every holon issues an IOU to the Universe and all IOUs are redeemed in Emptiness/Oneness/Divinity

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