Proposing a ‘3 Cs’ Roadmap for a Humane Society

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It is a proven fact that humanists respect the natural world and always think that human beings are part of the natural world with all other forms of life, and that nature is not indifferent to our individual existence. We accept responsibility for what we do and what we become, believing that our immortality is found in the examples we set and in the work we do. We cheer in the diversity around us and feel that the meaning and purpose of life must be found in living not in dying. Humanism is a philosophy that puts the emphasis on humans solving the problems of life without the bondage of inflexible authority of secular or religious institutions. In other words, humanism is a rational philosophy based on belief in the dignity of human beings, informed by science and motivated by human integrity, hope and compassion. Humanism is committed to rational thought and responsible behavior that will enhance the quality of life on this earth. Humanists also believe that moral values are neither divinely revealed nor the special property of any religious thought or tradition and that they must be found by humans through the use of their natural reason, and that our belief about right or wrong in human behavior must be constantly subjected to the deepest reflection in light of our evolving understanding of our nature and the world in which we live. In the words of Thomas Paine, "such is the irresistible nature of truth that all it asks, and all it wants, is the liberty of appearing." Humanists have faith in the human capacity to choose good over evil without the expectation of reward in another life. We seek insight from all cultures and from many sources - scientific, secular, and religious - recognizing that there are many truths and many ways to learn about how to live. Humanists encourage moral excellence, positive relationships and human dignity, compassion, cooperation and community. This is only possible if we accept 3 Cs of life that is “Create”, “Connect” and “Commit”. The proposed paper suggests to explain and elaborate the concept of 3 Cs and to put forward a blueprint to achieve a humane society that is just, promotes natural respect and dignity of the individual and would lay the path for a non-killing world for a lasting peace for a futuristic world civilization.

“Dignity does not consist in possessing honors, but in the consciousness that we deserve them.”
— Aristotle