As a millennial, I spend majority of my time immersed in the virtual world, constant interaction and exploration of the internet catalyzes this digital sense of self that we ourselves create. Therefore, we are accustomed to personalizing and customizing an enticing somewhat individualized aesthetic. It seems that as millennials we have this growing paradox in our identity with relation to time: a symbol of the technologically advancing future but still emotionally connected to the Golden Age of Disney Channel and other remnants of the nineties and early 2000’s which characterizes our childhood.

In this informational age of sensationalized news, clickbait, and hashtag activism there has been this extraordinary collision of our digital and physical world. In our constant quest of desire satisfaction through consumerism and entertainment, accelerated data our expectations of instant gratification.

(https://youtu.be/dGFSjKufIrI?t=5s)

One of the quintessential aspects of Charles Darwin's theory of evolution is how he introduces an agnostic origin of life and how that revolutionizes the society and social order of his time but in addition implies that the mechanisms of nature are difficult to understand with our human conceptualization of time since our own lives are a mere 100 years. Richard T. DeGeorge argues that we have moral obligations to future generations: to infringe upon their rights and safety. Earnest Partridge insists that all stable healthy human being must have self-transcendence which is to be invested in the prosperity and perseverance of entities outside one self. In his argument, he quotes Delattre:

The destruction of the future is suicidal by virtue of its radical alteration of the significance and possibilities of the present. The meaning of the present depends upon the vision of the future as well as the remembrance of the past. This is so in part because all projects require the future, and to foreclose projects is effectively to reduce the present to emptiness.

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Hypocrisy! One on the main fallacies plaguing 19 Century America cleverly displayed in Mark Twain’s “The Adventures of Tom Sawyer” as he illustrates how society’s self-perception of temperance and virtuous church goers conflicts with their egregious behavior and intolerance. Today, we too experience a great deal of hypocrisy
of the growing apathetic attitudes led on by our extraordinarily diminished attention spans of the real issues of our world despite the fact we seem to self-identify as a progressive and informed generation.

To relieve this cognitive dissonance of our conflicting attitudes and behaviors, forward offers space that our generation can help advance environmentally friendly consumerism by welcoming sustainable resources into their space by taking into account that the consequences of our actions and decisions are not exclusively bound to our lifetime. Rather, that there are positive steps we as a humanity can make in the present to positively influence and ensure the well-being of future generations we can think forward.