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## The Wisdom of Sustainability Buddhist Economics for the 21st Century By Sulak Sivaraksa

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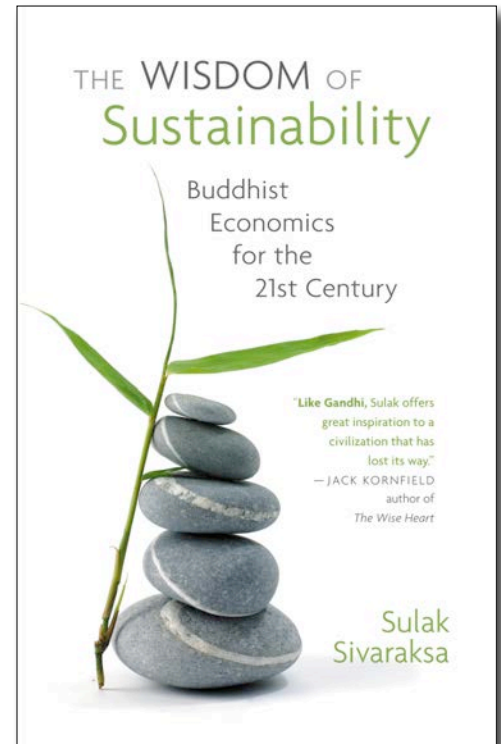
Sulak Sivaraksa is one of Asia’s leading social thinkers and activists. His wide-ranging work includes founding the International Network of Engaged Buddhists and dozens of other educational and political grassroots organizations, and authoring more than 100 books in Thai and English, including *Seeds of Peace: A Buddhist Vision for Renewing Society*. He was nominated twice for the Nobel Peace Prize, received the Right Livelihood Award, known as the alternative Nobel Peace Prize, and this year will be recipient of the prestigious Niwano Peace Prize.



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