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THE SCENARIO

A world with no economic borders

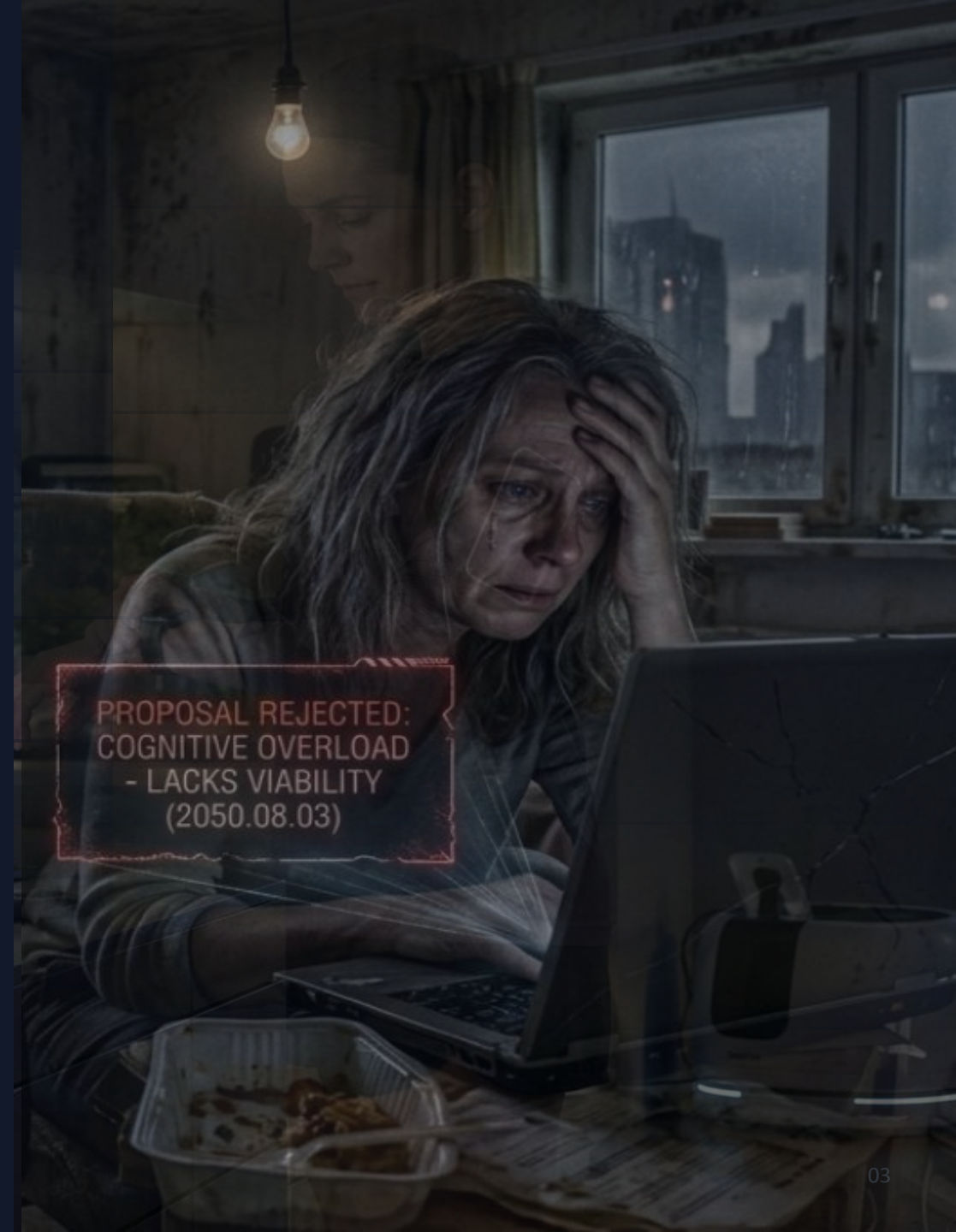
Two women in the UK, 2050. One in-demand professional. One carer in her home. This look-development board set the visual language for both their worlds.

PART

Ellie

45 · Labour Economist, St Albans

*"I am tracking seven income streams, coordinating care across three dependents
— and monitoring my own body the way I once read literature."*





PROPOSAL REJECTED:
COGNITIVE OVERLOAD
- LACKS VIABILITY
(2050.08.03)

20 YEARS
OF RESEARCH.
OF DISCOVERY.
OF IMPACT.

And yet,
it's a constant hustle.

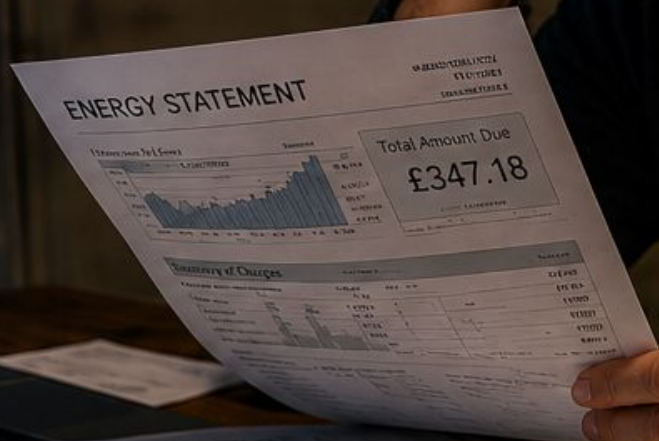
-  AWARD-WINNING THESIS
-  PUBLISHED RESEARCH
-  WIDELY CITED
-  GLOBAL RECOGNITION

GLOBAL COMPETITION.

Same platforms.
Same race.

-  Nairobi ★ 4.9
-  Medellín ★ 4.8
-  Kraków ★ 4.9
-  Taipei ★ 4.9

We're all competing
for the same contracts.



WEEKLY BUDGET

ENERGY	£347
WATER	£62
COUNCIL TAX	£115
INTERNET	£36
ROBOT CARE	£400
FOOD	£120
TRANSPORT	£40
EDUCATION	£60
SUPPLEMENTS	£50

PLATFORM FEES
22% – 35%
TAKEN OFF THE TOP



RATINGS ARE EVERYTHING.



1 POOR REVIEW
NO APPEAL.
NO HR.
JUST THE NUMBER.

**AND WHAT IT DOES TO
YOUR VISIBILITY.**

I have spent
two decades building
a reputation that
should have been
precise enough to

FOCUS.
RESILIENCE.

To Do:

- ☐ Call Energy Co.

- TODAY:
- ☒ Research paper
 - ☒ Client report
 - ☐ Proposal
 - ☐ Revisions
 - ☐ Zoom call
 - ☐ Deadline

SAME HUSTLE.
NEW CLIENTS.

POLYMER SCIENCE
ADVANCED MATERIALS



PATIENT ID: [FRACTURED CODE]

VITAL SIGNS:

Heart Rate: 98 bpm [FLUCTUATING]

Oxygen Sat: 91% [LOW]

COGNITIVE STATUS:

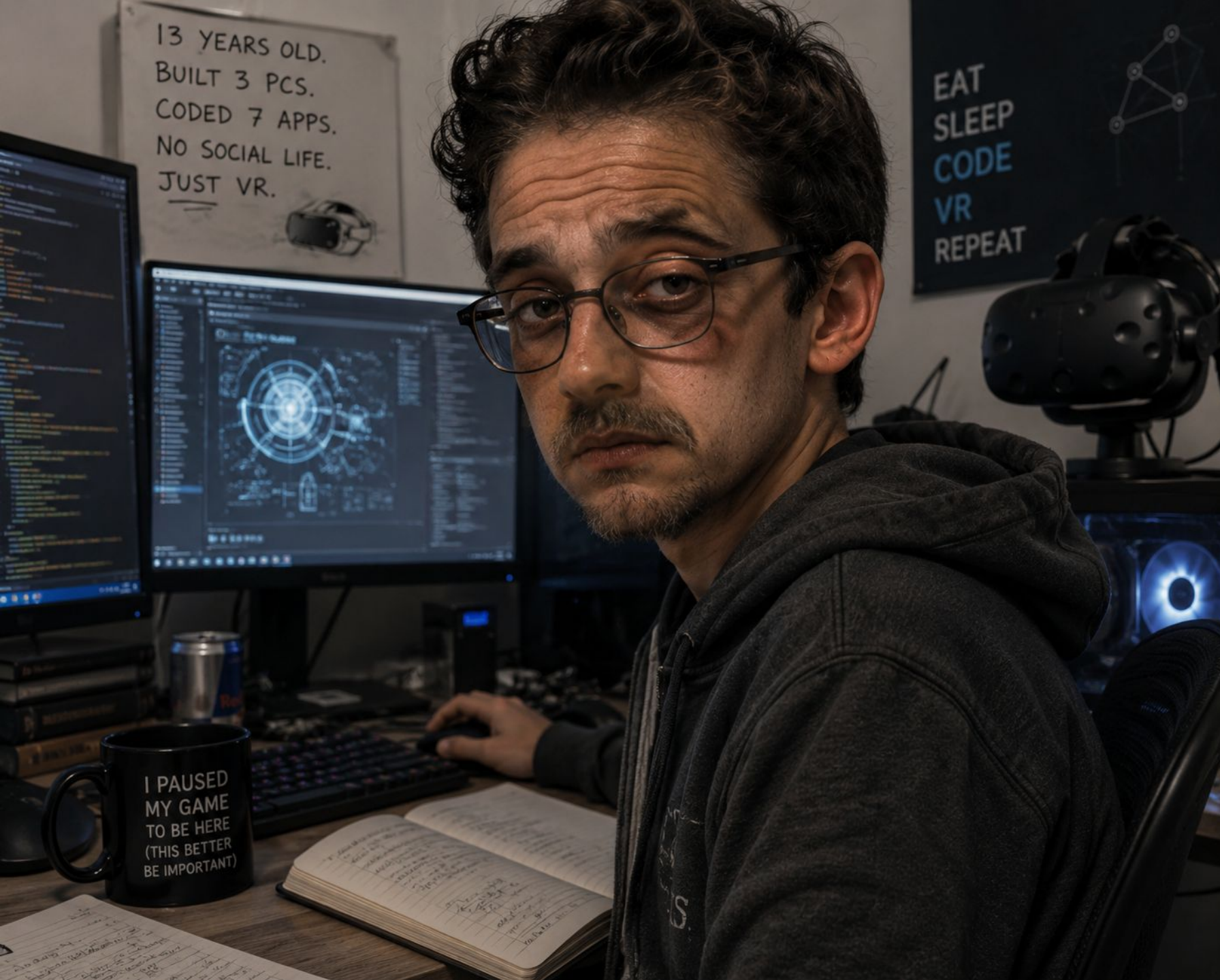
Dementia index: Critical [PROGRESSED]

Recall Ability: <5%

ENVIRONMENTAL:

Air Quality: POOR [FILTER FAIL]

ALERT: [CRITICAL CARE NEEDED]



13 YEARS OLD.
BUILT 3 PCS.
CODED 7 APPS.
NO SOCIAL LIFE.
JUST VR.

EAT
SLEEP
CODE
VR
REPEAT

I PAUSED
MY GAME
TO BE HERE
(THIS BETTER
BE IMPORTANT)





PART

Amhale

28 · Entrepreneur from South Africa

"I write my plans on the backs of my employer's articles — and hide them in a slit of my mattress, out of the hands of any AI bot."





1. My name is Amahle. I am a 28 year old South African entrepreneur. I own three successful climate-tech firms, one for which I am presently negotiating a sale to Global Change Systems, the world's premier climate adaptation and resilience infrastructure company valued at \$1000 trillion.



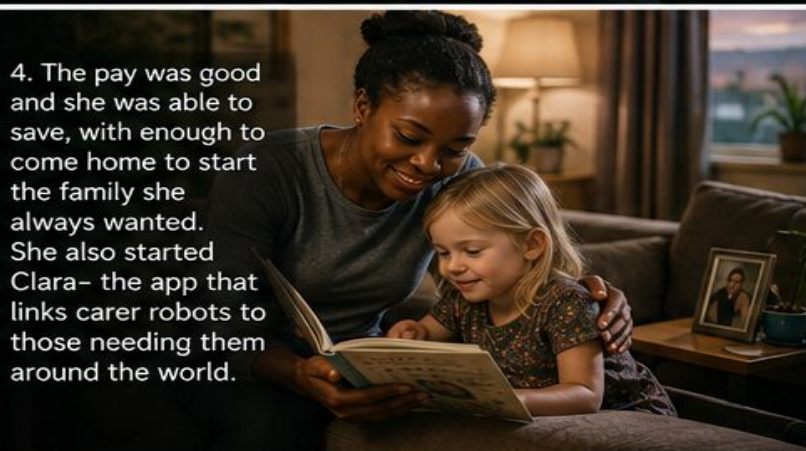
2. I credit my success to the immense family and community support I had as a young child with big dreams. And of course hugely to my mother as well.



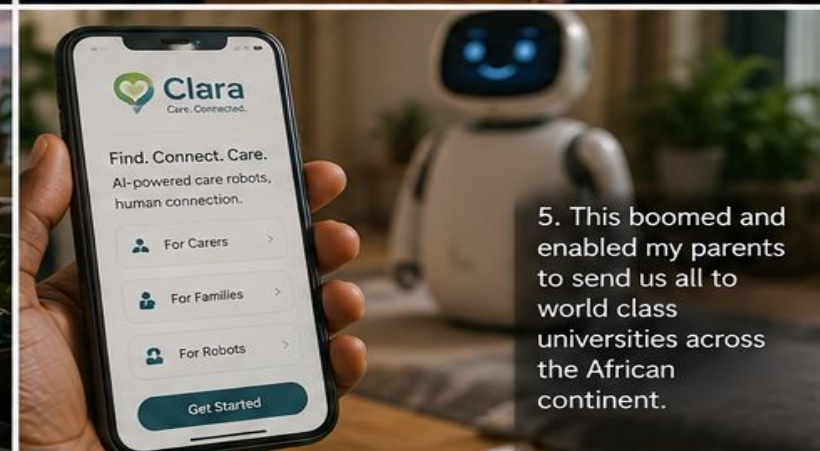
Departures

Destination	Time	Status
LONDON	16:20	ON TIME

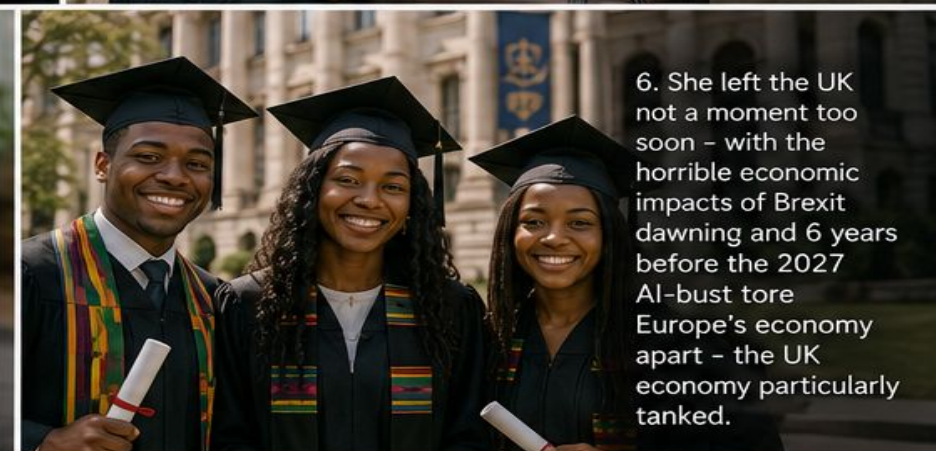
3. She took a risk, leaving her own family at age 16 to work as a nanny in what was then a prosperous UK.



4. The pay was good and she was able to save, with enough to come home to start the family she always wanted. She also started Clara- the app that links carer robots to those needing them around the world.



5. This boomed and enabled my parents to send us all to world class universities across the African continent.



6. She left the UK not a moment too soon - with the horrible economic impacts of Brexit dawning and 6 years before the 2027 AI-bust tore Europe's economy apart - the UK economy particularly tanked.



UK ECONOMY IN DECLINE

- Brexit fallout
- AI-bust 2027
- Recession
- High debt
- Low growth

2016 2018 2020 2022 2024 2026 2028

7. In the constant race for more wealth and things, the West over-invested in hallow tech firms whose value was all based on hype.



8. She loved her British family - having established a strong bond particularly with the child she cared for - Ellie.



9. Ellie, a very bright labour economist, pursuing that career when it made sense financially. I am sure Ellie's mother and she never expected that their nanny's children would be providing the critical remittances to help them get by 30 years later. How the world has changed.....

CLIMATE INNOVATION.
AFRICAN SOLUTIONS.
GLOBAL IMPACT.

Dreams
Plan.
Action.
Impact.

Amahle Dlamini
FOUNDER & CEO

CLIMATE INNOVATION
AFRICAN SOLUTIONS
GLOBAL IMPACT



GLOBAL CHANGE
SYSTEMS

VALUATION

\$1000 TRILLION

Climate Adaptation &
Resilience Infrastructure







✈ Departures ✈

London →



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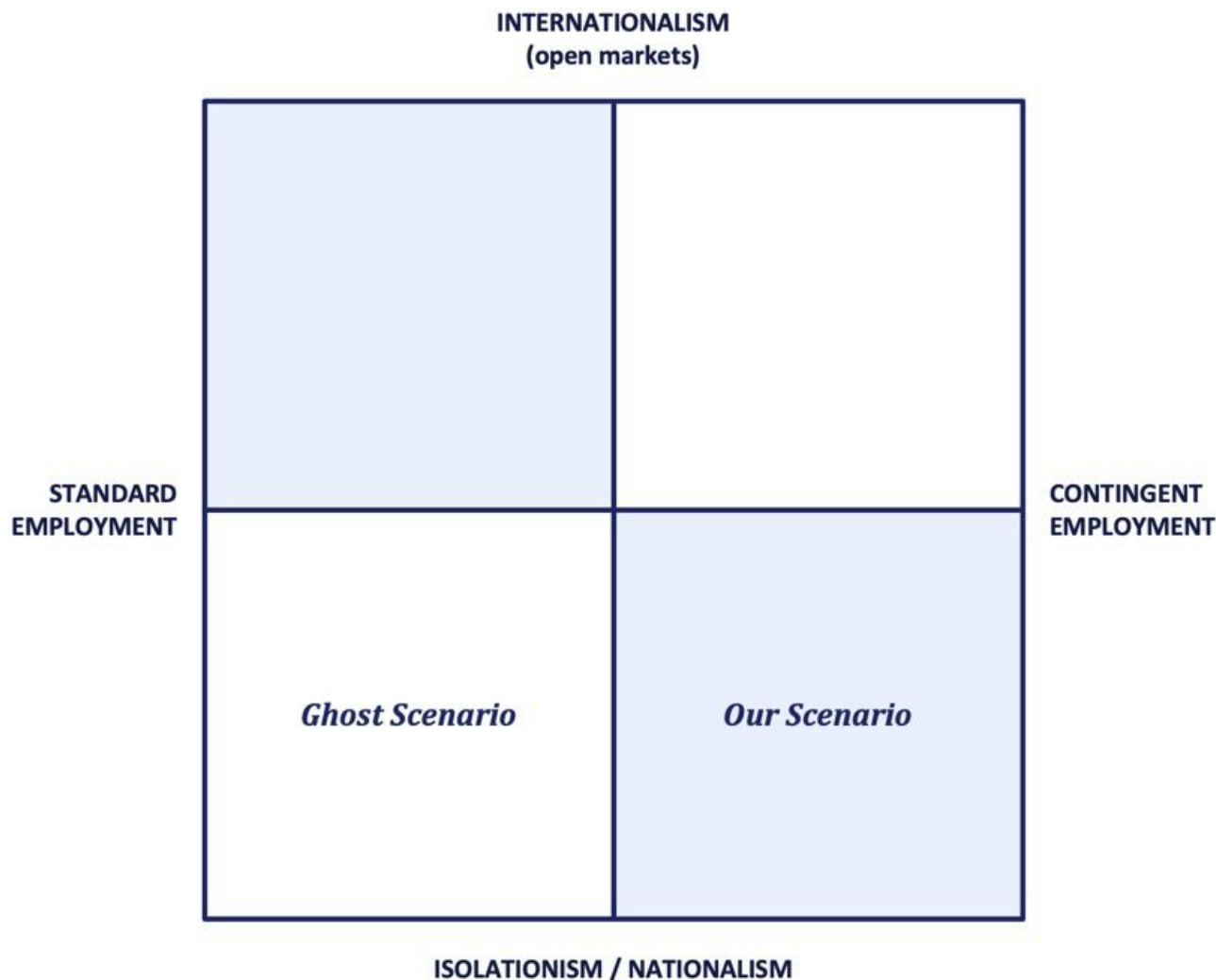








Scenario Framework & Assumptions



Assumptions our scenario challenges

- 1 Data privacy stays fiercely protected — by individuals and by UK/EU regulation — and existing protections are trusted to hold.
- 2 Employment stays largely “standard”: AI reshapes roles more than it grows the gig economy.
- 3 Self-employment remains the default for platform work, underpinned by regulation such as the Employment Rights Act; social media stays an open route to market.
- 4 Government protects the corporate tax base and the employment status quo, as gig/cross-border work is harder to tax and public funding is under pressure.
- 5 AI lifts solo-worker productivity and grows demand for oversight/verification faster than it destroys routine tasks; expert roles (e.g. “the economist”) stay valued.
- 6 Digital infrastructure is universal, and cross-border digital services remain lightly regulated.
- 7 Working from home is the norm, generally easing women's path to full-time work and career progression — though its effect on sectors' gender mix is unclear.
- 8 The gender pay gap persists, with women still clustered in less financially rewarding sectors.
- 9 Labour participation is dampened by health issues (especially mental health) and continued climate stress.
- 10 Formal care exists but is costly; a migrant care workforce continues to cover domestic demand.

Slide showing Axis, assumptions and
how we got here