



Disruptive Dragonfly

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... a selection of articles, books and websites
from around the world
offering insights and critical reflection
that disrupt and
engage for change

Wow – Global absolute poverty fell by almost half on Tuesday. The numbers are good news for people who care about poverty, but they matter much less for people who are poor.

<http://www.cgdev.org/blog/global-absolute-poverty-fell-almost-half-tuesday>



Why mediocre bosses get hired . . .

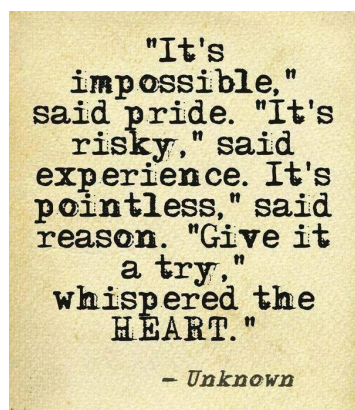
<https://www.linkedin.com/today/post/article/20140704182324-11075081-why-mediocre-bosses-get-promoted?trk=eml-ced-b-art-M-18569501546382842940&midToken=AQHWa26Eeok80A&fromEmail=fromEmail&ut=2MecThHwmmfCk1>

Abbot and Co. - working from Orwell's playbook – the capacity for compassion is undermined so that the quality of cruel disregard enters into the fabric of everyday life

<http://www.eurekastreet.com.au/article.aspx?aeid=41711#.U8jmslBdVuA>

Don't believe the lie that there is no other successful political economy to neoliberal free markets. A cooperatively-owned olive oil factory, houses built by and for the community, and a famous looting of a large-scale supermarket, led by the town's charismatic mayor, in which proceeds were donated to food banks, are amongst the steps that have helped position Marinaleda as a beacon of hope.

<http://www.resilience.org/stories/2014-07-16/marinaleda-the-village-where-people-come-before-profit>



This is what we mean by "transfer economy". The middle class has not become poorer solely because of financial crises, economic downturns, austerity, or cut-throat competition from emerging economies; it has gradually lost out because wealth has been transferred into the hands of the richest.

http://theconversation.com/how-to-stop-the-middle-class-getting-poorer-and-poorer27246?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Latest+from+The+Conversation+for+30+May+2014&utm_content=Latest+from+The+Conversation+for+30+May+2014+CID_11a223f9d6a5087d58cfb1b7ee022db6&utm_source=campaign_monitor_uk&utm_term=How%20to%20stop%20the%20middle%20class%20getting%20poorer%20and%20poorer

Nick explains: the Senate is a schmooze? No a schomezzelleee!

http://www.theguardian.com/world/video/2014/jul/11/nick-xenophon-senate-explainer-video?CMP=ema_792



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