

Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work

Demanding the Post-Work Future

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DEMAND 1: Full Automation

What? We need to embrace automation, not fear it. Automation of work should be a political goal, not a perceived inevitability.

Why? Capitalism has provided us with abundance at the expense of freedom. Automation can enable both freedom and abundance. Automation is also a practical reality that we need to accept.

Barriers - possible technical limitations; economic viability; and moral status attached to work

DEMAND 2: Shorter Work Week

What? Reduce the working week without reducing pay. Srnicek and Williams favour a three-day weekend.

Why? Used to be a central aim of the labour movement. Needs to be reasserted following the erosion of work-life balance and the rise of shadow work.

Would also help to: (i) increase leisure; (ii) deal with the reality of automation; (iii) improve environment; and (iv) strengthen the bargaining power of labour (though one could be sceptical of this)

DEMAND 3: Universal Basic Income

What? An unconditional, universal income. Must be a supplement to welfare, not a replacement.

Why? Ensure that we don't suffer in our increased leisure time; breaks the link between income and work.

Barriers - Must resist the conservative case for the UBI which sees it as a replacement to welfare and a way of maintaining consumer demand. This is about political transformation, not just economic stability. It can help to reduce insecurity, and change the way we value different forms of work (e.g. care work).

DEMAND 4: Devalue the Work Ethic

What? Remove the pressure and incentive to work, and the bias against non-work.

Why? We are too prone to valorise work and to view ourselves as 'competitive subjects' who are actualised through our working lives. The reality is that work is not enjoyable for most people (only 13% claim to be satisfied); it is a means to an end.

In addition to this, the valorisation of work is no longer feasible or desirable in an age of increasing automation and workplace precarity.

Neoliberalism isn't working. Austerity is forcing millions into poverty and many more into precarious work, while the left remains trapped in stagnant political. *Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work* is a monograph by Nick Srnicek and Alex Williams, published by Verso Books. *Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work* Nick SRNICEK, Alex Williams ISBN: [Kostenloser Versand für alle Bücher mit](#). *Inventing the Future* has ratings and reviews. Trevor said: This book is particularly useful for its comprehensive history of neoliberalism and es. Buy *Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work* by Nick Srnicek, Alex Williams (ISBN:) from Amazon's Book Store. Everyday. Buy *Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work* Revised, Updated ed. by Nick Srnicek, Alex Williams (ISBN:) from Amazon's. Abstract. Against the confused understanding of our high-tech world by both the right and the left, this book claims that the emancipatory and future-oriented. *Inventing The Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work* *Inventing the Future* has been around long enough for the blogs to have. Nick Srnicek and Alex Williams's *Inventing the Future* argues that the They trace the roots of the neoliberal thought collective to a diverse range of trends in preWorld War II economic we can change tracks, can change the meaning of a future without work. *Postcapitalism and a World Without Work*. Allen Lane, pp, ?, June , ISBN 0 14 0; *Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World without Work* by Nick Srnicek. Review: Nick Srnicek, and Alex Williams () *Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work*. Callum McGregor. *Inventing the Future: Postcapitalism and a World Without Work* Good Reads, by Nick Srnicek, Alex Williams A major new manifesto for a high-tech. Srnicek and Williams in their book, *Inventing the Future* (which expands on their *Accelerationist Manifesto*) do us a great service in. *Inventing the Future. Postcapitalism and a World Without Work*. Er is geen vertaling beschikbaar in het Nederlands. Where did the future go?. A major new manifesto for a high-tech future free from work Neoliberalism isn't working. Austerity is forcing millions into poverty and many more.

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