

Saving Globalization

Why Globalization and Democracy Offer the Best Hope for Progress, Peace and Development

Globalization is not new, nor is it a policy, it's a process that has existed as long as man looked over the horizon, travelled and traded. It can't be stopped but it can be slowed. It came to a grinding halt in August 1914 and the Marxist detour cost millions of lives and lost three generations their opportunity and hope in many countries. More wealth has been created in the past 60 years than in all of history. After the most successful decade of sustained economic growth in history, this progress is threatened. Extreme inequality, corruption and environmental degradation threaten the stability and legitimacy of many developing countries' regimes. Anti-globalization and anti-capitalist campaigners' confidence has been emboldened due to the present economic crisis. Protectionist rhetoric is growing as are the arguments to control and regulate markets. Leaders are meeting to discuss how to face these problems and create a new international architecture. How did we get to this position? What should we do? What is it that determines why some contemporary states are successful while others have failed? Saving Globalization departs from its analysis of the globalised economy in the twenty-first century to answer these questions by tracing the development of what Moore considers to be 'the big ideas of history': democracy, independent courts, the separation of church and state, property rights, independent courts, a professional civil service, and civil society. Democratic capitalism has worked for most people. Why? It is a remarkable story, from the Greeks to the Geeks, encompassing technological progress and the corrections and contradictions between liberty and equality, technology, growth and the environment. In defence of the many virtues and opportunities that globalisation offers, Mike Moore makes the case for a fresh and new approach to our international institutions and for domestic policies that promote equity and fairness. The book controversially attacks the new enemies of reason and evidence. The threats now come from all sides, especially workers in developed countries who fear for their jobs. Mike Moore is a political practitioner turned theoretician.

Saving Globalization provides an eloquent and persuasive defense of liberal democracy at a time when democratic values are embattled and scoffed at by some, under-valued and taken for granted by others. Mike Moore's insights are relentlessly sensible, brilliantly presented, and sure to infuriate those who have concluded that democracy is either inefficient or unfashionable. I expect this welcome book to serve for years to come as an arsenal of facts for advocates of democracy and development. Madeleine K. Albright US Secretary of State, 1997-2001 If we accept that wealth is man-made, then we must accept that poverty is man-made too, therefore it can be fixed by man. If democracy is the voice of God, then Mike Moore is democracy's gift to the world. If anti-globalizers brand him as "starving the poor," I think of him as feeding the poor. I have never seen a bigger proponent for a more open society and global economy than Mike Moore. In Saving Globalization, Mike recalls his works and inspirations in helping to make this world a better place in which to live. He explains why he is convinced that globalization is the most effective way to deal with poverty and offers convincing arguments on why we should embrace a world without walls and not be afraid of it. Jose Ramos Horta President of Timor-Leste Nobel Peace Prize 1996 In his new, important and timely book, Saving Globalization, Mike Moore shares with us his enormous wealth of experience gained during 30 years in public life. It is a book that should be read by anyone who cares about the future of our present civilization. Vaclav Havel President of Czechoslovakia (1990-1993) and Czech Republic (1993-2003) The biggest of ideas are sometimes the simplest. In our daily quest to expand our horizons and increase our wealth we sometimes forget that. In this book, Mike Moore is taking us back to basics. He reminds us that a world without walls cannot function peacefully if it is a world without rules, standards and values and that global consumer democracy will quickly punish companies and countries that do not behave ethically. Mike reinforces the idea that even democratic societies run by the



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