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CRISES OF HUMAN AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: THE END OF HUBRIS

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The *development delusion* in a globalized culture is a fascinating subject for informed debate and discussion. *Fallacies of Development* critiques the contemporary interventionist approach to social development. It offers a hermeneutical system of linkages that seeks to connect certain dots out of the box.

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