

7 SIMPLE IDEAS ON THE 2030 AGENDA... AND 3 LESS SIMPLE ONES



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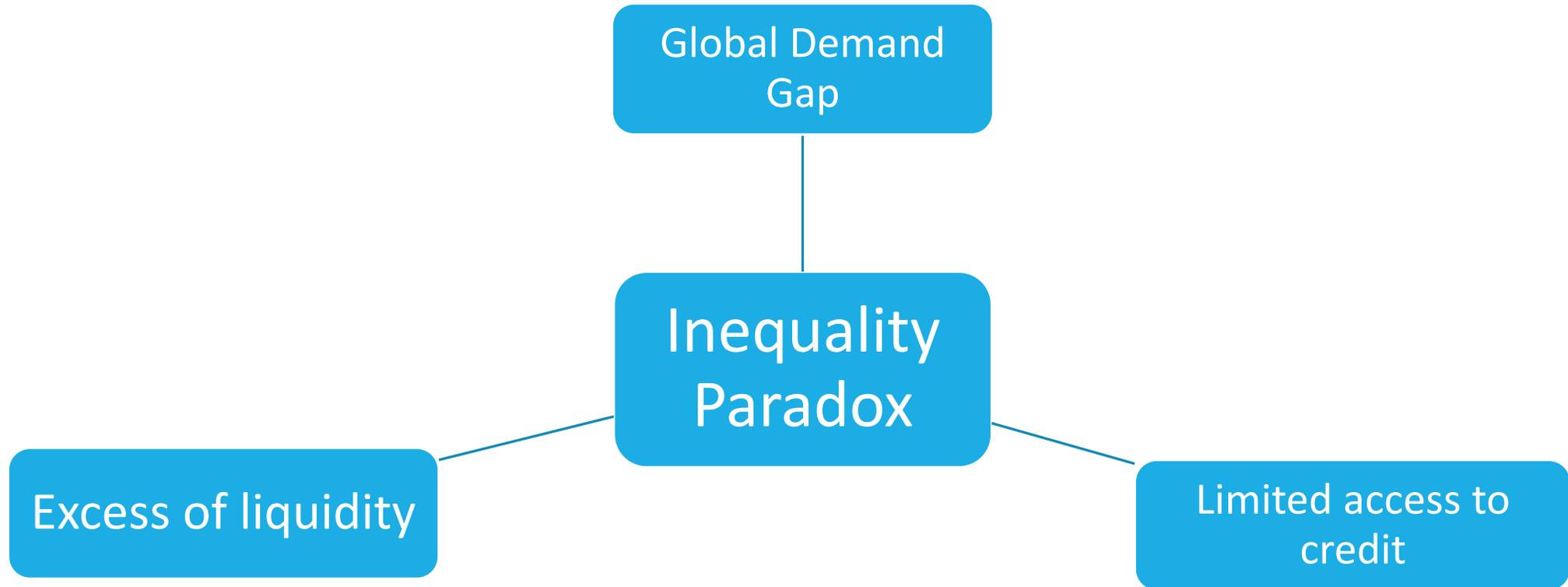
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1. World Community Off Track

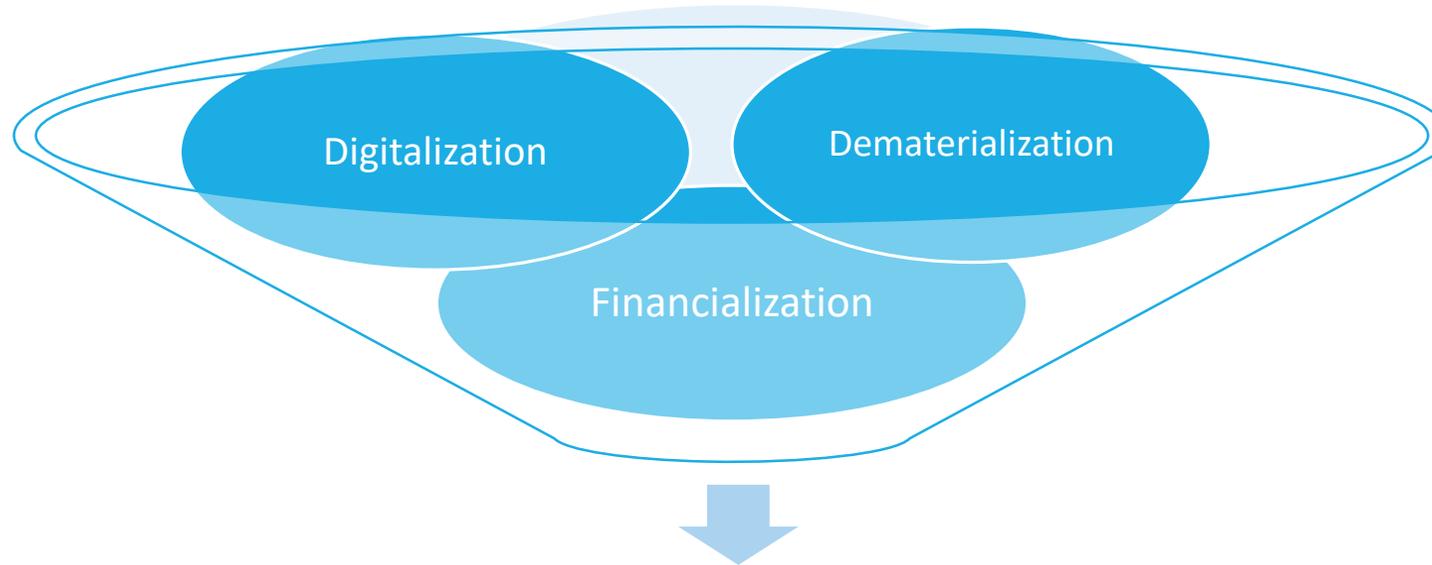
The latest economic upturn, mostly within the Global North, has been accompanied by an increase in hunger and the worsening of vulnerabilities, heightened carbon emissions, and the persistence of structural levels of inequalities between and within countries

Our economy fails when it downturns and fails us again when it moves forward

2. The paradox of inequalities: economic conundrum orthodoxy cannot explain



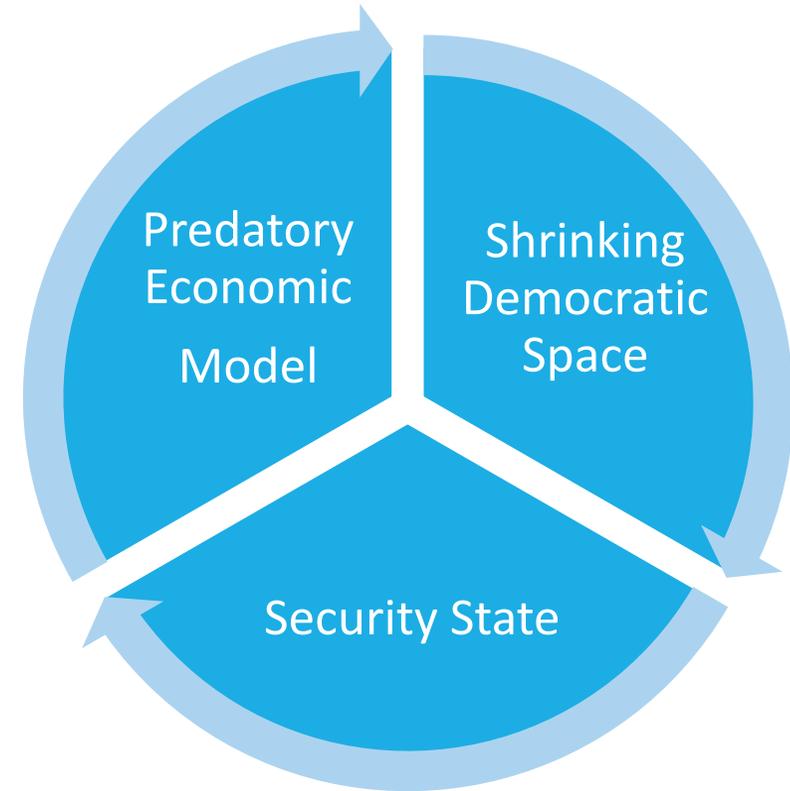
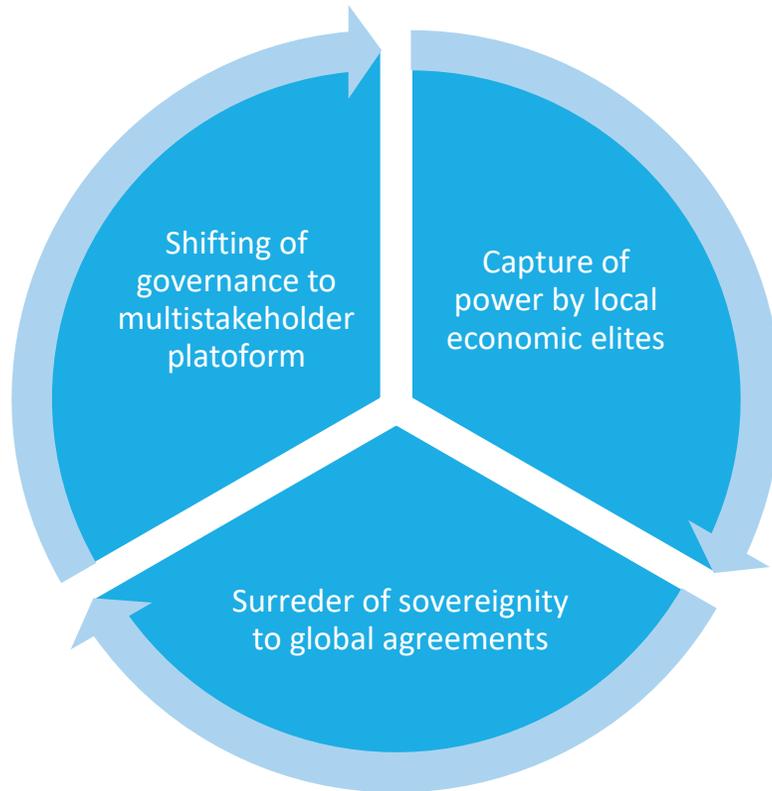
3. New speed drivers of inequalities



Generate Distance, Invisibilize Production, Undermine Democratic Accountability

Reframe labour-capital interface -> financial capital and control of information

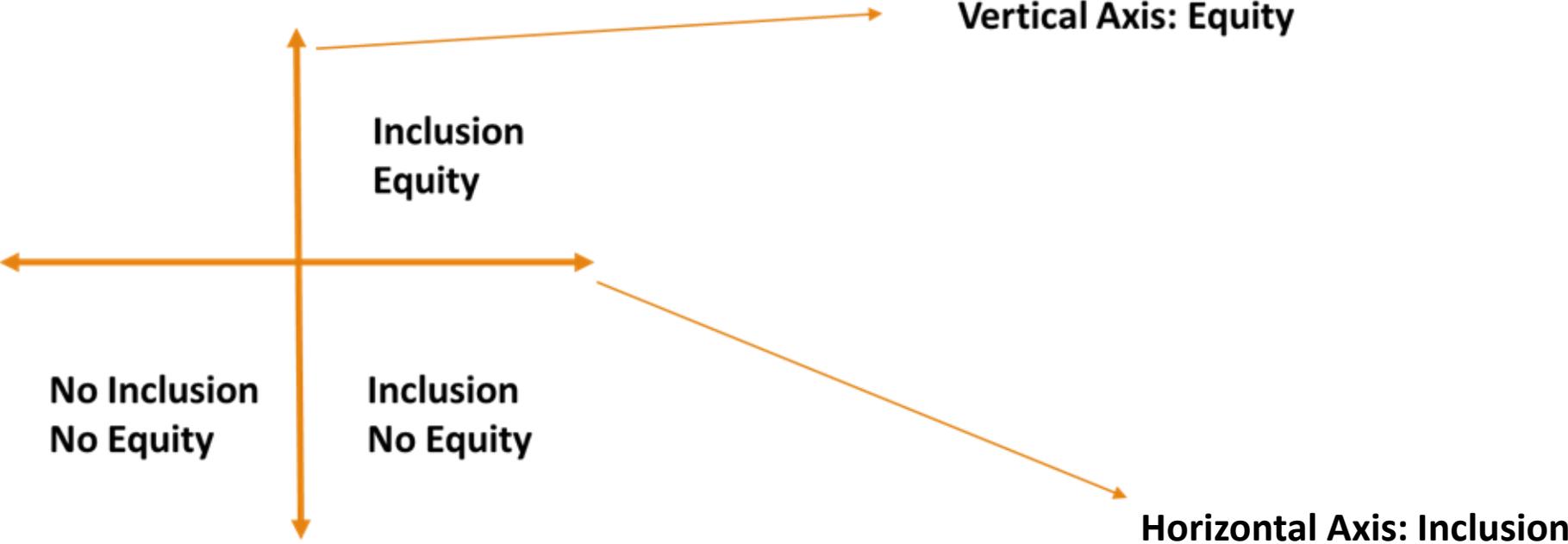
4. Tension between democratic aspirations and shrinking national sovereignty



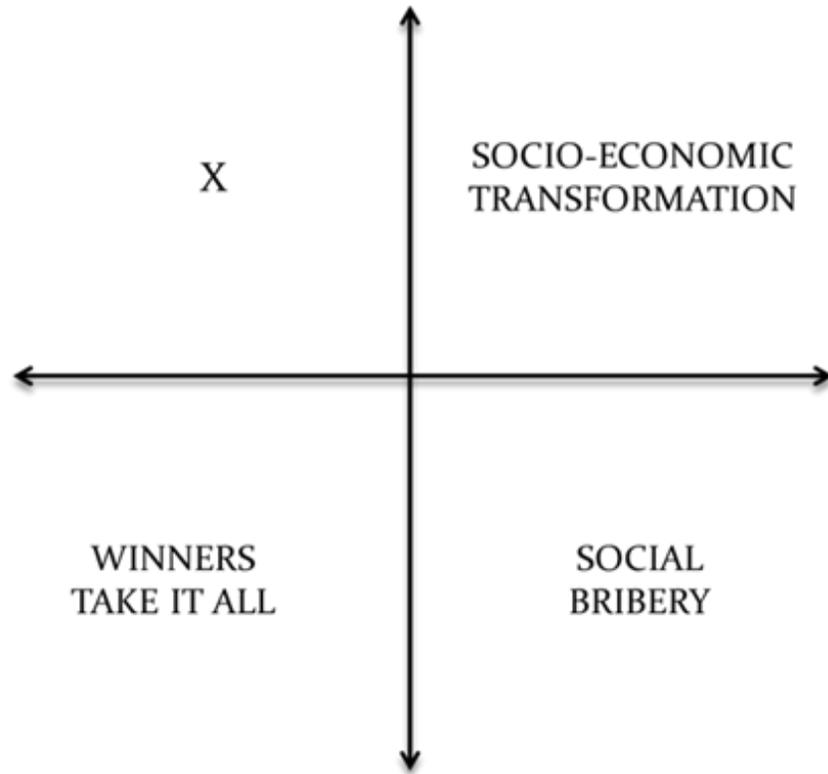
5. Development at the rescue of finance

Despite the narrative of seduction of the private sector and private finance to contribute to sustainable development, the reality is that the commodification of rights is being used as the key strategy to boost the structural demand gap

Let's imagine three scenarios

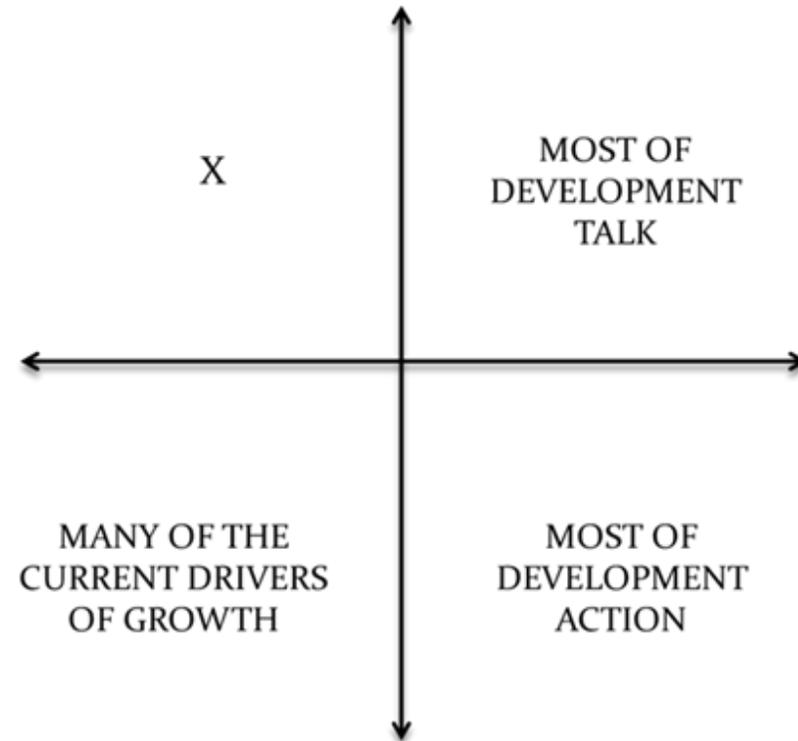
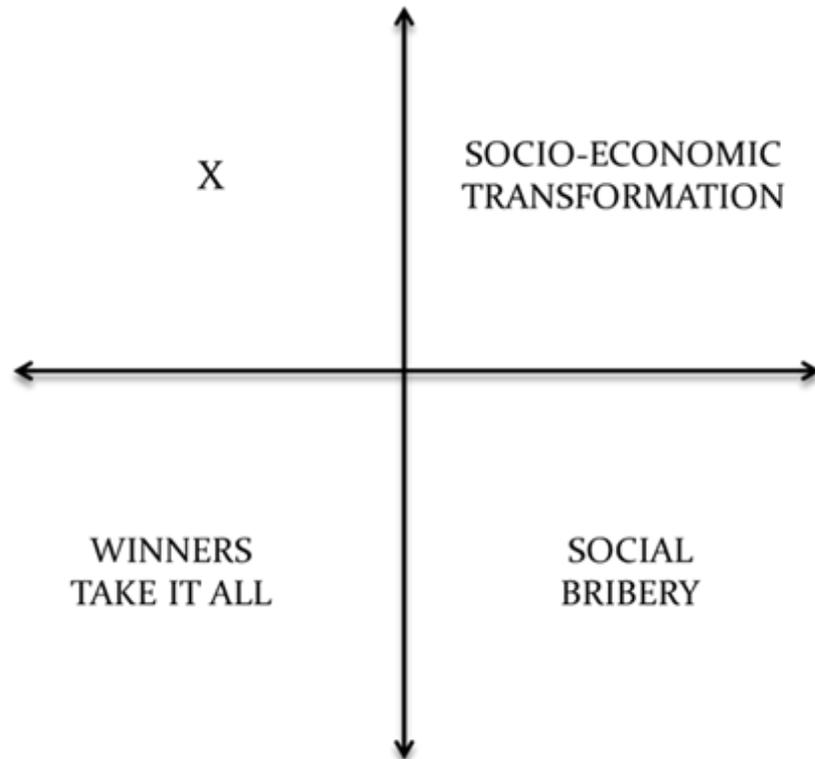


6. The Grand Social Bribery



The grand narrative of “inclusion”, including the focus on social protection, risks to generate a grand social bribery

7. HLPF as Collective Hypnosis



How to can we rethink our engagement?

3 NOT QUITE AS SIMPLE IDEAS



8. SDGs as policy change challenge

Micro

- Transformation of production model

Meso

- Shift of centre of gravity in favour of domestic economies

Macro

- Removal of systemic structural obstacles to transformation

9. Break the Flow & Generate Dissonance

1. Generate high levels of dissonance: side events and small talks will not do
2. De-silo SDG discussions -> challenge single SDG focus to address interlinkages
3. Expose systemic structural drivers within current economic frameworks -> centrality of FfD agenda
4. Reclaim decision-making capacity at UN level

10. Pick a Horse & Lead the Way

1. There can be no policy transformation without significant democratization of global economic governance
2. In today's political climate it is challenging to win a substantive fight, but it might be possible to win one in terms of institutional redesign -> Global Tax Commission?
3. Taking an institutional redesign decision may re-awaken the normative potential of the UN General Assembly
4. There is a need to place social movements (and their potential for mobilization) in the lead of the struggle

Thank you for your attention!

You cannot carry out fundamental change without a certain amount of madness. It comes through non-conformity, the courage to turn your back on the old formulae and to invent the future

Thomas Sankara

