



Real Utopia: Participatory Society for the 21st Century

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Remainder mark on bottom edge of pages. What if we had direct control over our daily lives? What if society's defining institutions?those encompassing economics, politics, kinship, culture, community, and ecology?were based not on competition, individual ownership, and coercion, but on self-management, equity, solidarity, and diversity? Real Utopia identifies and obliterates the barriers to an egalitarian, bottom-up society, while convincingly outlining how to build it.Instead of simply declaring "another world is possible," the writers in this collection engage with what that world would look like, how it would function, and how our commitments to just outcomes is related to the sort of institutions we maintain. Topics include: participatory economics, political vision, education, architecture, artists in a free society, environmentalism, work after capitalism, and poly-culturalism. catchall phrase here is "participatory society"?one that is directly democratic and seeks institutional solutions to complex sociological and economic questions.Contributors include: Michael Albert, Barbara Ehrenreich, Steve Shalom, Robin Hahnel, Marie Trigona, Noam Chomsky, Paul Burrows, Justin Podur, Tom Wetzell, Cynthia Peters, Andrej Grubacic, and Mandisi Majavu, among others.Chris Spannos is an activist, organizer, and anti-capitalist. He is a full-time staff member with the internationally acclaimed ZNet, a web site dedicated...



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