

# THE FIGHT AGAINST DIGITAL COLONIALISM



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**Digital colonialism consists of control over infrastructure, access, and data by foreign companies and governments**

**What is to be done?**

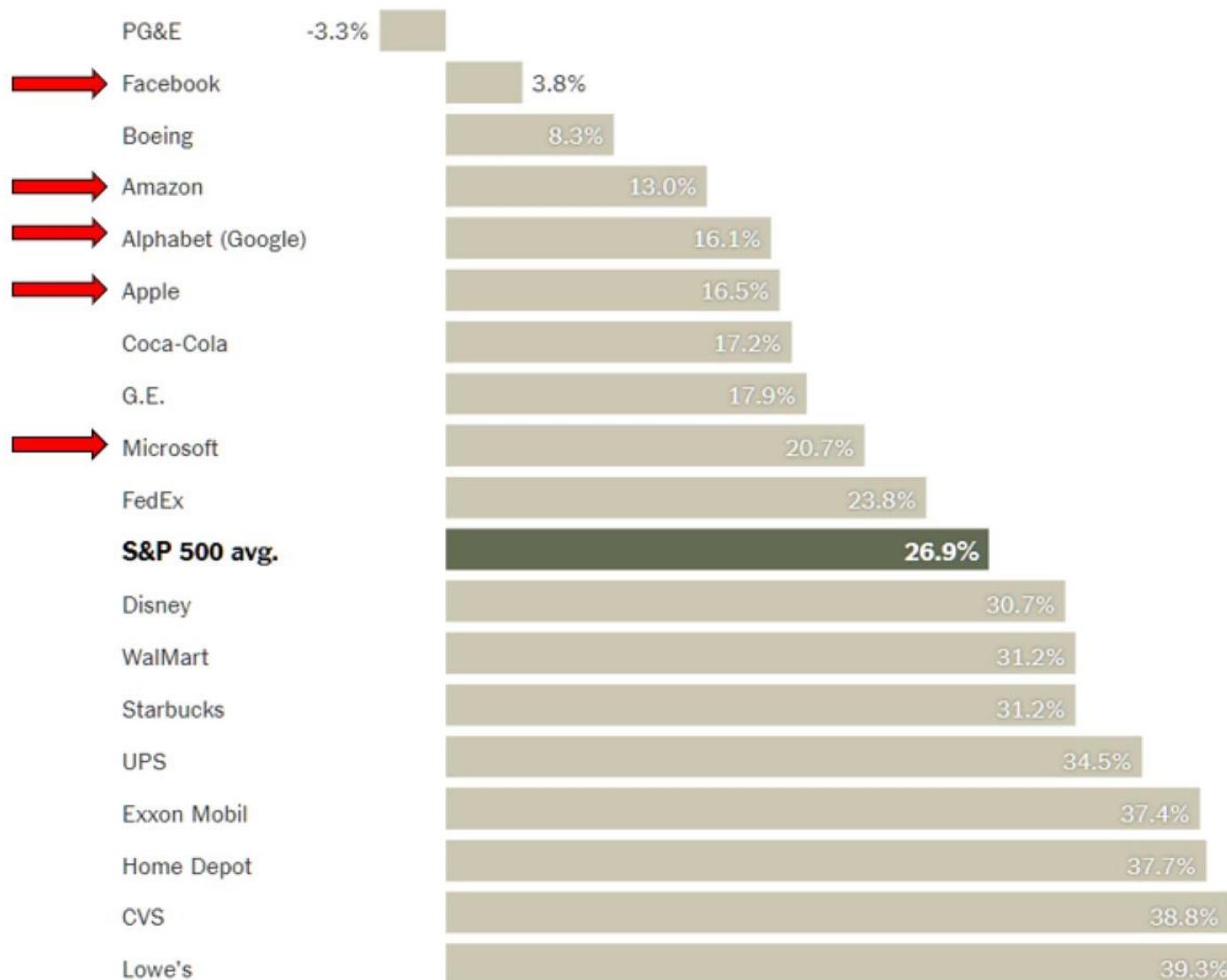
The  
Minimal  
Approach

Light Touch  
Regulation

Taxation

Don't be evil

# US Effective Tax Rate, 2007-2015





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# Fair Taxation for the Digital Economy

Why do we need to update the rules?

Because our societies deserve:

- ✓ **Tax fairness**

A level playing field for all businesses

- ✓ **A competitive economy**

Supporting business growth and innovation

- ✓ **Sustainable tax revenues**

A future-proofed solution



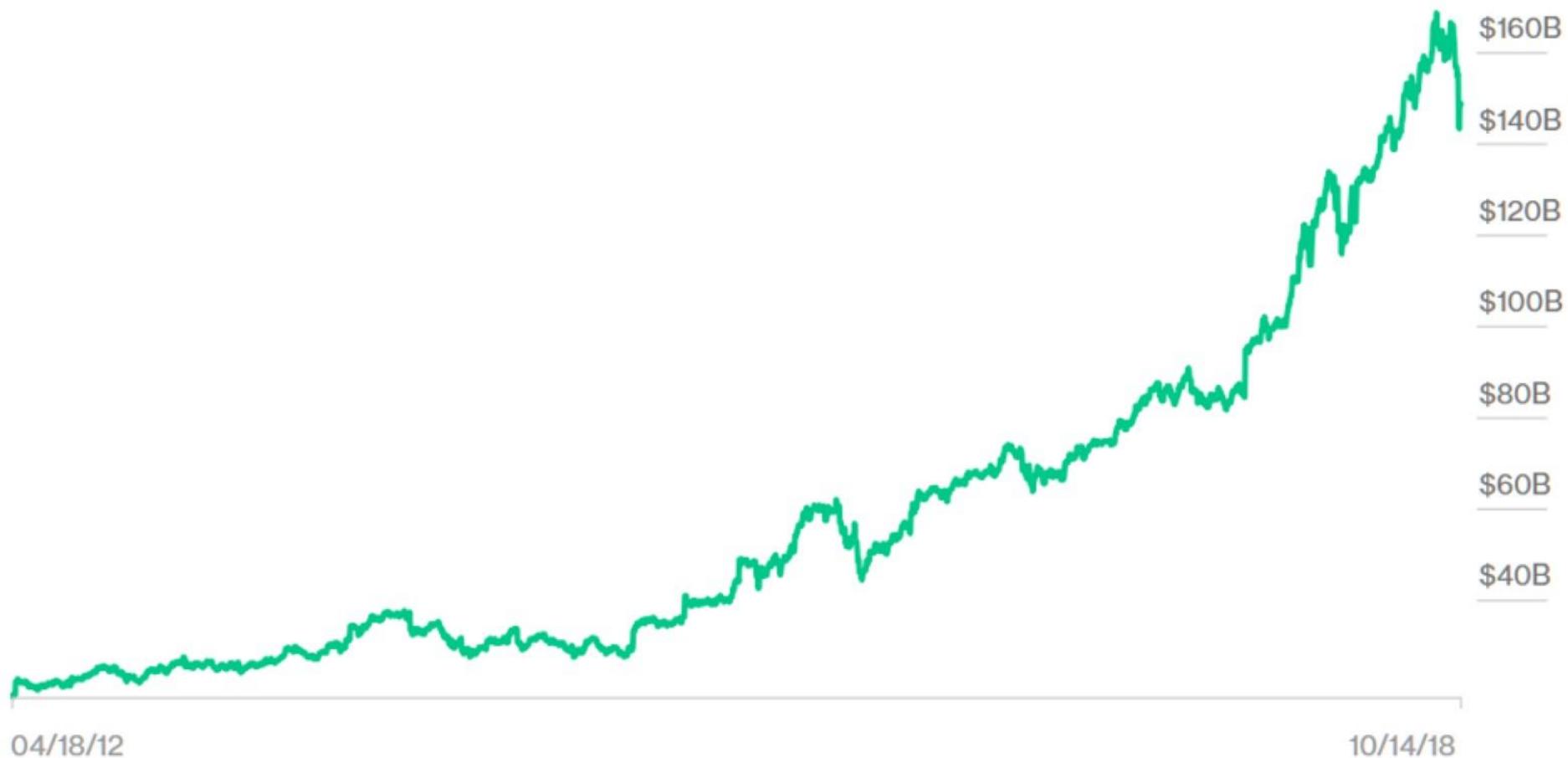


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# Jeff Bezos' Net Worth



Source: Bloomberg Billionaires Index

# The European Approach

Data Sharing

Competition Policy

Data Portability

Interoperability

Personal Data Markets

# Die Tech-Riesen des Silicon Valleys gefährden den fairen Wettbewerb

Die Digitalisierung muss im Dienst der gesamten Gesellschaft stehen. Das bedeutet auch, die Monopolstellung von Tech-Riesen wie Google oder Amazon zu brechen.

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I totally agree with @Wadhwa that India is effectively letting modern world East India Companies own its Internet.



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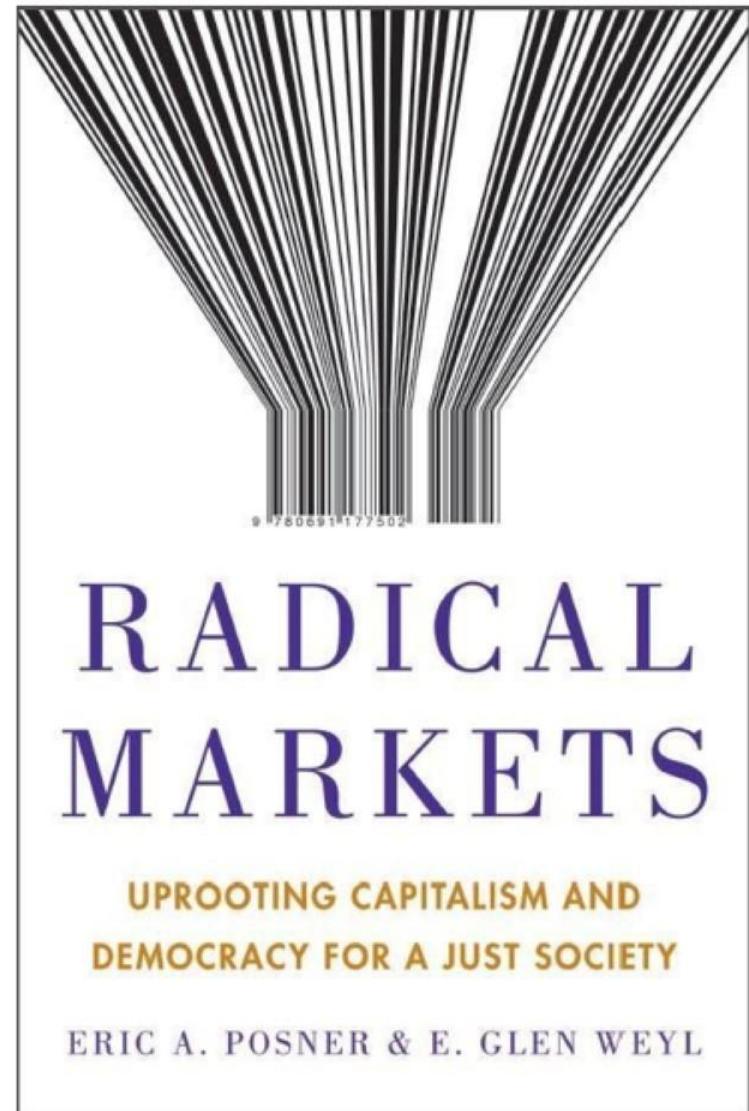
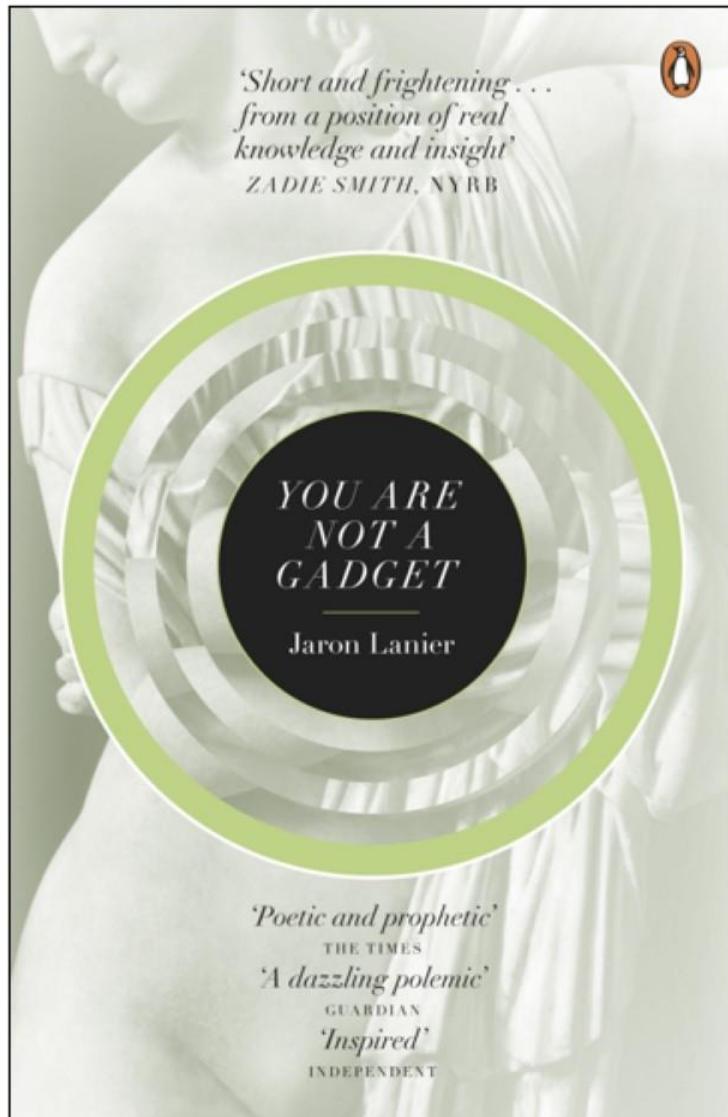
Who are you more worried about: companies that are selling you and lying to you at the same time, or governments that are trying to operate for its population?

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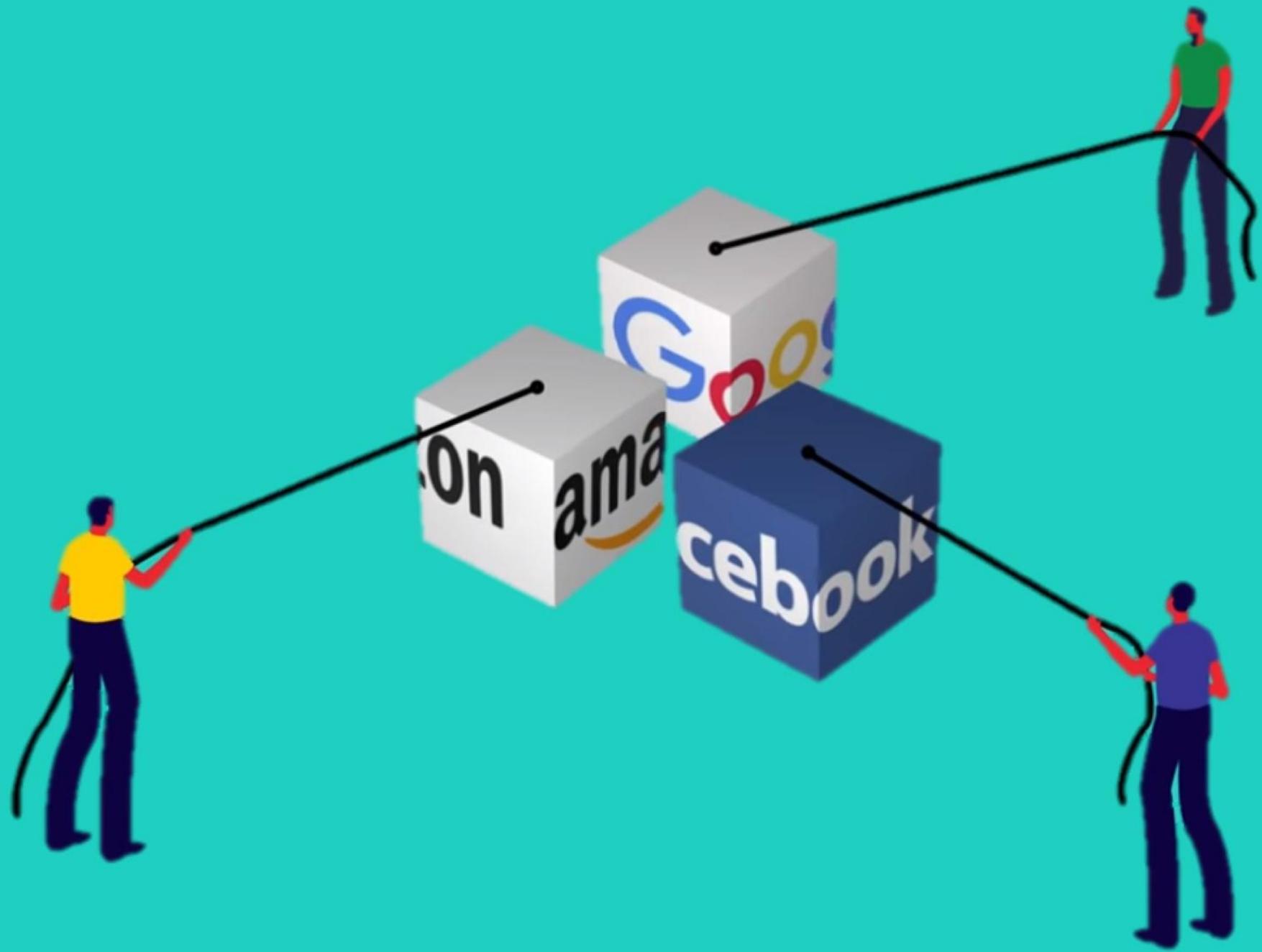
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# Personal Data Markets

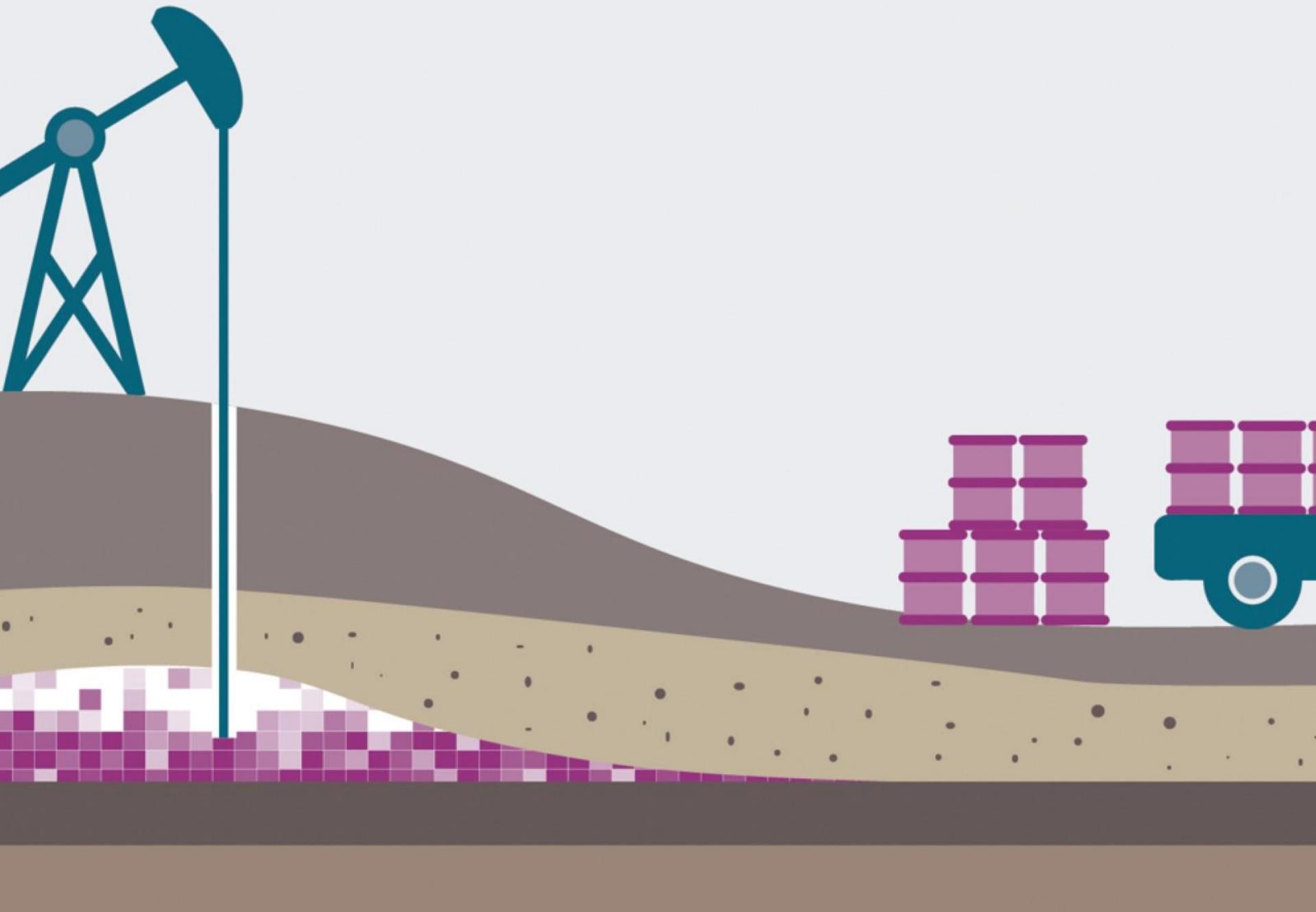


**Personal data markets  
commodify our behaviour  
and turn privacy into a  
privilege of wealth rather  
than a right**



# The liberal response to digital giants:

“The problem is they are not capitalist enough.”

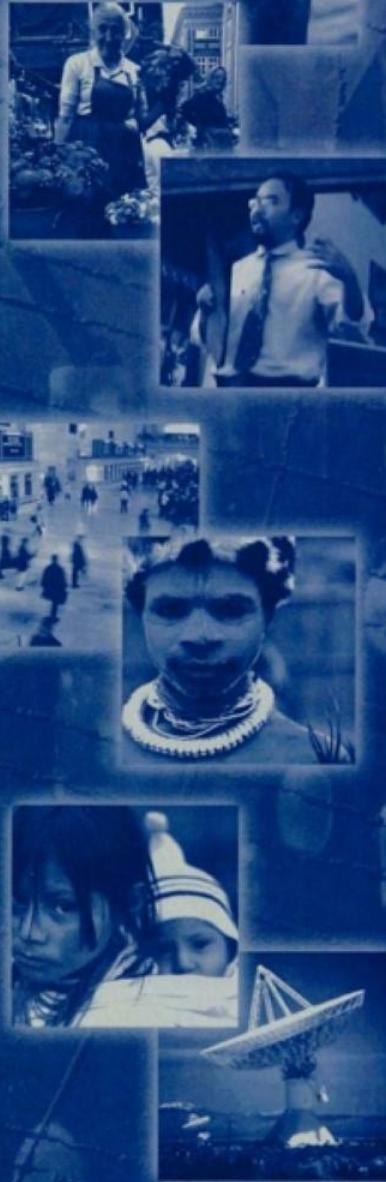




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Towards a New,  
More Just,  
and More Efficient  
World Information and  
Communication Order

The MacBride  
Commission



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