

Ethical aspects of terrorism's ideology. «Ethnic wars».

Spouses of missing politicians in Belarus speak before OSCE PA.

The time has come for Fair Trade, not the monopolistic free-for-all of so-called «Free Trade». The time has come for human globalization, not corporate globalization. The time is NOW for international justice and trade policies tempered by responsibility to the human community. We can't WTO any longer!

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Экономический рост — основной источник улучшающегося уровня жизни. Долгосрочный экономический рост зависит от многих факторов, таких, как высококвалифицированные кадры, инвестиции, постоянно развивающийся менеджмент, но один из наиболее важных факторов — развитие научных технологий (компьютерных, лазерных, нейрохирургии, генной инженерии). Разобраться в наиболее запутанных моментах современной науки (а именно, связанных с клонированием, трансплантацией, лечением рака и СПИ-Да, вживлением компьютерных чипов в человеческий мозг) довольно сложно. До сих пор неясны отрицательные и положительные моменты применения этих технологий на практике. Возможно, общество станет тратить меньше денег на здравоохранение и образование, что может привести к экономическому росту и возрастающему уровню жизни. С другой стороны, поступая подобным образом, человек бесповоротно вмешивается в естественный ход жизни, вызывая неразрешимые природные противоречия.

CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES OF MODERN ECONOMY AND ADVANCED SCIENCE INTERCONNECTION

Economic growth has been the major source of human race rising living standard. Short-term growth may be accomplished by moving to the production possibilities but long-term growth requires an expansion of an economy's productive capacities.

Growth is a complex process, its best sources of increased worker output being high level skills, more capital, improved management, etc. One of the most important sources is technological advances which nowadays exist in close connection with computer technology, medical surgery, genetic engineering, laser technology, etc. The most tricky issues of the up-to-date science are cloning, transplants, cures for cancer and AIDS, computer chips into a human brain.

Alongside with a growing interest in cloning, many people are worried: what if the same techniques, bringing their loved ones back to life, incurred irrevocable changes? The truth is that there is no chance that any copy of a human being would be identical either physically or mentally. The possible benefits of cloning, however, include artificial producing of human tissues and organs for transplants and preserving endangered animal species.

Scientists have also transplanted monkeys' heads onto their bodies, paving the way for head transplants performed on humans. Nevertheless, the experiment has been condemned by many other scientists as an example of the disastrous Western medicine, in which prolonging individual life takes preference over everything.

Although no cure has yet been found for AIDS, extraordinary advances has been made in its treatment. Drugs called protease inhibitors can halt and perhaps even reverse the progress of the AIDS virus in the patient's body, so it may be that AIDS will soon no longer be an incurable disease. The problem is the expense: a course of treatment costs a fortune, and so will do nothing to stop the epidemic in poor countries.

Could it be possible for all the things you need to know to be implanted in your brain as a silicon chip? Such implants could be used to restore vision, repair nerve damage, but also to increase human intelligence.

All these advances would change life more than we imagine. Positively, the economies of developed countries would benefit because there would be no need to spend money on education, less money would have to go to health care. But negatively, proceeding with scientifically advanced technologies of this kind, people are on the right way of interfering with nature.