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CLIMATE CRISIS and *the MISCONCEPTION* of GROWTH



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the Future on the Promise of a Better Tomorrow (Verso, 2026).
the forthcoming The Alibi of Capitalism: How We Broke the Earth to Steal
Carbon Democracy: Political Power in the Age of Oil (Verso, 2012), and
Techno-Politics, Modernity (University of California Press, 1991), Rule of Experts: Egypt
Egypt (University of California Press, 2002), and Theory of Colonialism
life. He is the author and editor of several books, including Colonializing
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