

What we're reading

IDEAS

Servant leadership - lead from the heart



New York Times - Howard Schultz

An inspiring article by Starbucks CEO, Howard Schultz, on how America deserves a servant leader. He notes the values of servant leadership as putting others first and leading from the heart, which could not be more in line with our thinking. We should share credit when we meet with success and support each other when challenges arise. This needs to emerge from every corner of our lives, including from the business community.

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CAPITAL MARKETS

Volatilities are “natural consequence” of China’s economic transition



Xinhua - Zheng Qihang, Guan Jianwu

In an interview with Xinhua, Larry Zimbleman, CEO of the Principal Financial Group, said that the economic transition pushed by the Chinese government will transfer China from an export driven manufacturing economy to an economy based on internal consumption, saving and investment.

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ECONOMY

The world's real challenge is the decline in potential growth



City A.M. - Graeme Leach

Graeme Leach is a Senior Fellow at the Legatum Institute

While the eyes of financial markets are drawn towards Greece at present, Graeme Leach suggests they are missing a much more powerful influence on our standard of living over the coming decades. In the advanced economies, we need to accelerate potential output growth in order to: first, return potential output growth to pre-crisis performance; second, overcome the negative effects of an ageing population on long-term growth; and finally offset the weakening in emerging markets.

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PHILANTHROPY



Of stones and schools

Huffington Post - Cameron Conaway

Writer Cameron Conaway travels to Ethiopia to meet with our implementers Geneva Global and witness the transformative power of Legatum's Speed School programme which we are launching as a fund later this year.

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DEVELOPMENT



Investing to combat modern slavery: what's the impact?

Huffington Post - Nick Grono

Nick Grono is CEO of the Freedom Fund, a private donor fund dedicated to ending slavery, founded by Legatum, Humanity United and Walk Free.

The challenges of reporting data on the prevalence of slavery is vital work but does not lend itself to easy measurement. The Freedom Fund aims to supply evidence about which anti-slavery strategies are working.

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A service mind-set

New York Times - Arthur C. Brooks

Brooks discusses that adopting a service mind-set guarantees some measure of success and that we should therefore convert our work into a source of personal liberation by devoting it to the good of others. Brooks explains that service reduces stress and raises satisfaction because it displaces the object of attention from oneself.

“When we are serving, the work is always intrinsically valuable because of its intention.”

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The dynamic new trends of entrepreneurship

Entrepreneur - Waddah Barkawi

Similar to our thinking, Barkawi discusses how entrepreneurship is fast emerging as a transformational megatrend of the 21st century given its capacity to reshape economies and industries throughout the world.

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AND FINALLY

Did the Vikings have a bad attitude?



The Mirror – Chris Gee

Nordic Vikings who plundered and pillaged their way through Europe 1,000 years ago may have had a reputation for violence because they suffered from chronic worms. Perhaps if the END Fund had been there at the time, their tummies would have been a lot better and so would their attitude!

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