Keynes And Hayek: The Meaning Of Knowing The Roots Of The Debate

Keynes and Hayek: The Clash that Defined Modern Economics-Nicholas Wapshott 2011-10-11 "I defy anybody—Keynesian, Hayekian, or uncommitted—to read [Wapshott’s] work and not learn something new."—John Cassidy, The New Yorker As the stock market crash of 1929 plunged the world into turmoil, two men emerged with competing claims on how to restore balance to economics gone awry. John Maynard Keynes, the mercurial Cambridge economist, believed that government had a duty to spend when others would not. He met his opposite in a little-known Austrian economics professor, Friedrich Hayek, who considered attempts to intervene both pointless and potentially dangerous. The battle lines thus drawn, Keynesian economics would dominate for decades and coincide with an era of unprecedented prosperity, but conservative economists and political leaders would eventually embrace Hayek’s contrary vision. From their first face-to-face encounter to the heated arguments between their ardent disciples, Nicholas Wapshott here unearths the contemporary relevance of Keynes and Hayek, as present-day arguments over the virtues of the free market and government intervention rage with the same ferocity as they did in the 1930s.

Keynes and Hayek: the Meaning of Knowing-Thomas Dalton 2017-04-12 In the 1930s John Maynard Keynes and Friedrich Hayek set economics on a new course by asking "how do rational people deal with the problem of economic scarcity when they are ignorant about both the options available to them and the consequences of their actions?" Their ensuing debate profoundly altered our view of ourselves as decision makers and our predictions about the trajectory of economies and societies. The separate views of Keynes and Hayek about what it means to know laid the foundation for their clash over macroeconomics. The untold story is how the tendrils of these ideas spread to fields of economics and philosophy far beyond macroeconomics. The second edition contains three new chapters: The Anatomy of Catalayal, Learning and Adaptation and Collective Learning, Philosophy and Institutions. It also provides complimentary access to an interactive simulation of the emergence of market activity. Tables and figures have been enhanced in the second edition.

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The Commanding Heights-Daniel Yergin 2008-12-26 The most powerful force in the world economy today is the redefinition of the relationship between state and marketplace—a process that goes by the name of privatization though this term is inadequate to express its far-reaching consequences. We are moving from an era in which governments sought to seize and control the ‘commanding heights’ of the economy to an era in which the idea of free markets is capturing the commanding heights of world economic thinking. Basic views of how society ought to be organized are undergoing rapid change, trillions of dollars are changing hands and so is fundamental political power. Great new wealth is being created— are huge opportunities and huge risks. Taking a worldwide perspective, including Russia, where the process began with M. S. Gorbachev’s “perestroika,” and the former USSR, China, Latin America and the US, THE COMMANDING HEIGHTS shows how it is revolution in ideas is transforming the world economy—why it is happening, how it can go wrong and what it will mean with the global economy going into the twenty-first century.

The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money-John Maynard Keynes 2019-10-05 The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money, written by legendary author John Maynard Keynes is widely considered to be one of the top 100 greatest books of all times. This masterpiece was published right after the Great Depression. It sought to bring about a revolution, particularly referred to as the ‘Keynesian Revolution’, in the way economists thought—especially challenging the proposition that a market economy tends naturally to restore itself to full employment on its own. Regarded as one of the cornerstones of Keynesian economics, this book has established the classical economic theories and introduced new concepts. The ‘General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money’ transformed economics and changed the face of modern macroeconomics. Keynes’ argument is based on the idea that the level of employment is not determined by the price of labour, but by the spending of money. It gave way to an entirely new approach where employment, inflation and the market economy are concerned.

The Road to Serfdom-2015-12-26 "Over Two Million Copies Sold!" The Road to Serfdom by Friedrich A. Hayek Condensed Edition The Road to Serfdom is a book written by the Austrian-born economist and philosopher Friedrich von Hayek (1899-1992) between 1943-1944, in which he [warns] of the danger of tyranny that inevitably results from government control of economic decision-making through central planning." He further argues that the abandonment of individualism and classical liberalism inevitably leads to a loss of freedom, the creation of an oppressive society, the tyranny of a dictator, and the serfdom of the individual. Significantly, Hayek challenged the general view among British academics that fascism (and National Socialism) was a capitalist reaction against socialism. He argued that fascism, National Socialism and socialism had common roots in central economic planning and empowerment the state over the individual. Since its publication in 1944, The Road to Serfdom has been an influential and popular exposition of market libertarianism. It has sold over two million copies. The Road to Serfdom was to be the popular edition of the second volume of Hayek's treatise entitled "The Abuse and Decline of Reason," and the title was inspired by the writings of the 19th century French classical liberal thinker Alexis de Tocqueville on the "road to servitude." The book was first published in Britain by Routledge in March 1944, during World War II, and was quite popular, leading Hayek to call it "that unobtainable hook," also due in part to wartime paper rationing. It was published in the United States by the University of Chicago Press in September 1944 and achieved great popularity. At the arrangement of editor Max Eastman, the American magazine Reader's Digest published an abridged version in April 1945, enabling The Road to Serfdom to reach a wider popular audience beyond academics. The Road to Serfdom has had a significant impact on twentieth-century conservative and libertarian economic and political discourse, and is often cited today by commentators.

The Clash That Defined Modern Economics: Keynes And Hayek: The Meaning Of Knowing The Roots Of The Debate-Thomas Hoerber 2017-06-15 Few thinkers better encapsulate the two polarities of economic and social thought in the twenty-first century than Friedrich Hayek and John Maynard Keynes. Waging with the horrors of world wars, the atrocities of fascist regimes, the bunglers of the Great Depression, and the turbulence of political ideologies as they grew evermore pitted against one another, both sought a cure for modernity’s terrible problems and a safeguard against future catastrophes—a task that would leave them with completely different conclusions. In this book, Thomas Hörber offers a clear historical account of the work of these two great figures of modern economic thought. Hörber looks at the two central works that would alter the course of economic thought: Keynes’s The General Theory of Employment, Interest, and Money, and Hayek’s The Road to Serfdom. Placing them within the context of the devastation that followed World War I, he explains how the heroes of our age彼此were written. He USBer and the former USSR, China, Latin America and the US, THE COMMANDING HEIGHTS shows how it is revolution in ideas is transforming the world economy—why it is happening, how it can go wrong and what it will mean with the global economy going into the twenty-first century.

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The Great Persuasion-Angus Burgin 2012-10-30 Just as economists struggle today to justify the free market after the global economic crisis, an earlier generation revisited their worldview after the Great Depression. In this intellectual history of that project, Burgin traces the evolution of postwar economic thought in order to reconsider the most basic assumptions of a market-centered world.
Economics as a Co-ordination Problem
Gerald P. O'Donnell 1977

How Much is Enough? Robert Skidelsky 2012-06-19 A provocative and timely call for a moral approach to economics, drawing on philosophers, political theorists, writers, and economists from Aristotle to Marx to Keynes. What constitutes the good life? What is the true value of money? Why do we work such long hours merely to acquire greater wealth? These are some of the questions that many ask themselves when the financial system crashed in 2008. This book tackles such questions head-on. The authors begin with the great economist John Maynard Keynes. In 1930 Keynes predicted that, within a century, per capita income would steadily rise, people’s basic needs would be met, and no one would have to work more than fifteen hours a week. Clearly, he was wrong: though income has increased as he envisioned, our wants have seemingly gone unsatisfied, and we continue to work long hours. The Skidelsky’s explain why Keynes was mistaken. Then, arguing from the premise that economics is a moral science, they trace the concept of the good life from Aristotle to the present and show how our lives over the last half century have strayed from that ideal. Finally, they issue a call to think anew about what really matters in our lives and how to attain it. How Much Is Enough? is that rarity, a work of deep intelligence and ethical commitment accessible to all readers. It will be lauded, debated, cited, and criticized. It will not be ignored.

Walter Lippmann-Craufurd D. Goodwin 2014-10-20 Unemployment, monetary and fiscal policy, and the merits and drawbacks of free markets were a few of the issues the journalist and public philosopher Walter Lippmann explained to the public during the Depression, when professional economists skilled at translating concepts for a lay audience were not yet on the scene, as Craufurd Goodwin shows.

Individualism and Economic Order-F. A. Hayek 2012-12-01 In this collection of writings, Nobel laureate Friedrich A. Hayek discusses topics from moral philosophy and the methods of the social sciences to economics as theoretical discipline. In the central part of the book he considers the development of a market economy. By analyzing the transition to market economy, Hayek shows how a small collective of economists tried to influence policy-making in the nineteen-thirties. The book is thus opposed to the recent probability-based interpretations of Keynes's mature work.

The Age of Fragmentation-Alessandros Ronceglia 2019-12-05 A wide-ranging historical account and critical analysis of the global development of economics from 1940 to the present day.

The Limits of the Market-Paul de Grauwe 2017-09-17 ‘The old discussion of ‘Market or State’ is obsolete. There will always have to be a mix of market and state. The only relevant question is what mix should look like.’ How far do we have to let the market go in its own way in order to create as much welfare as possible for everyone? What is the responsibility of the government in creating welfare? These are difficult questions. But they are also interesting questions and Paul De Grauwe analyses them in this book. The desired mix of market and state is anything but easy to bring about. It is a difficult and sometimes destructive process that is constantly in motion. There are periods in history in which the market gains in importance. During other periods the opposite occurs and government is more dominant. The turning points in this pendulum swing typically seem to coincide with disruptive events that test the limits of market and state. Why do we experience this dynamic as an important theme in the book? Will the market, which today is afforded a greater and greater role due to globalization, run up against its limits? Or do the financial crisis and growing income inequality show that we have already reached those limits? Do we have to brace ourselves for a rejection of the capitalist system? Are we returning to an economy in which in which the government is running the show?—Our dust jacket.

John Maynard Keynes P. Mini 2016-07-27 Keynes's personality was fixed by the clash between Moorean values - other-worldliness, idealism, pacifism - and Keynes's own nature which craved and attained worldly success, wealth and social influence and approbation. The result was an existentialism that caused him to become particularly sensitive to the human condition, to human suffering and to real concern. Accordingly, Keynes came to see the world through human, down-to-earth, social and psychological categories, which were opposed to the 'divine' Platonism of classical economics. This book is thus opposed to the recent probability-based interpretations of Keynes's mature work.

The Fatal Conceit: The Self-delusions of Economic Man-John Maynard Keynes 2014-10-22 Unemployment, monetary and fiscal policy, and the merits and drawbacks of free markets were a few of the issues the journalist and public philosopher Walter Lippmann explained to the public during the Depression, when professional economists skilled at translating concepts for a lay audience were not yet on the scene, as Craufurd Goodwin shows.

Methodological Individualism Lars Udehn 2002-11-01 Throughout the history of social thought, there has been a constant battle over the true nature of society, and the best way to understand and explain it. This volume covers the development of methodological individualism, including the individualist theory of society from Greek antiquity to modern social science. It is a comprehensive and systematic treatment of methodological individualism in all its manifestations.

Denationalisation of Money-Friedrich August Hayek 2009

The Wisdom of Crowds-James Surowiecki 2005-08-16 In this fascinating book, New Yorker business columnist James Surowiecki explores a deceptively simple idea: Large groups of people are smarter than an elite few, no matter how brilliant—better at solving problems, fostering innovation, coming to wise decisions, even predicting the future. With boundless erudition and in delightfully clear prose, Surowiecki ranges across fields as diverse as popular culture, psychology, ant biology, behavioral economics, artificial intelligence, military history, and politics to show how this simple idea offers important lessons for how we live our lives, select our leaders, run our companies, and think about our world.

How Much is Enough?-John Gray 2013-01-11 Not available since the 1980s, this up-dated edition by the leading political philosopher, John Gray, outlines his new position on Hayek. In a substantial new chapter, Gray assembles for the first time the historical development of the last ten years that can be deployed in a critique of Hayek's thought. His reassessment is not only a provoking study of a classical philosopher. It is also a timely contribution to the debate over the future of conservatism, as Gray argues that Hayekian liberal “the most well-articulated political theory of the new right” is flawed.


The Power of Economic Ideas-Alex Millmow 2010-05-01 Economics, Keynes once wrote, can be a ‘very dangerous science’. Sometimes, though, it can be moulded to further the common good though it might need a leap in mental outlook, a whole new zeitgeist to be able do do. This book is about a transformation in Australian economists’ thought and ideas during the interwar period. It focuses on the interplay between economic ideas, players and political sometimes in the public arena. In a decade marked by depression, recovery and international political turbulence Australian economists moved from a classical orthodox economic position to that of a cautious Keynesianism by 1939. We look at how a small collective of economists tried to influence policy-making in the nineteen-thirties. Economists felt obliged to seek changes to the parameters as economic conditions altered but, more importantly, as their insights about economic management changed. There are three related themes that underscore this book. Firstly, the professionalisation of Australian economics took a gigantic leap in this period, aided in part, by the adverse circumstances confronting the economy but also by the aspirations economists held for their discipline. A second theme relates to the rather unflattering reputation foisted upon interwar economists after 1945. This transition underlies a third theme of the book, namely, how Australian economists were embodied by Keynes’s General Theory to confidently push for greater management of economic activity. By 1939 Australian economists conceptualized from a new theoretic framework and from one which they advanced comment and policy advice. This book therefore will rehabilitate the works of Australian interwar economists, arguing that they not only had an enviable international reputation but also facilitated the acceptance of Keynes’s General Theory among policymakers before most of their counterparts elsewhere.
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