

Comments on The Real Wealth of Nations

by

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“*The Real Wealth of Nations* gives us a template for the better world that we have been so urgently seeking. As practical as it is hopeful, this brilliant book shows how we can build economic systems that meet both our material and spiritual needs. It illuminates the way to a bold and exciting new future.”

— Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Nobel Peace Laureate

"The Real Wealth of Nations is a call to action. It is not only politicians, businesses and financial institutions that must change, but each one of us must play a role in developing a more caring society. This book is an important tool that can help us make that happen."

— Jane Goodall Ph.D., DBE, Founder - the Jane Goodall Institute & UN Messenger of Peace

“*The Real Wealth of Nations: Creating a Caring Economics* is a prescription for an economic system that is both equitable and sustainable. This book should be read and used by everyone who wants a better world!”

– Deepak Chopra, author, *Life After Death: The Burden of Proof*

“This book should be mandatory reading for every CEO, every economist, every government official, every student, and every citizen of our world. In its pages lies nothing less than the blueprint for the world we must create if humanity is to ever achieve true justice, equity, and sustainability. We can be that great society. *The Real Wealth of Nation* shows us how.”

— Jeffrey Hollender, President, Seventh Generation, Inc., author, *Naturally Clean*

"Riane Eisler shows us how to value economically what is valuable humanly— and what could be more revolutionary than that? To imagine money not as the root of all evil, but the measure of all good, read *The Real Worth of Nations*."

— Gloria Steinem

“In *The Real Wealth of Nations*, Riane Eisler lays out a comprehensive and compelling argument for why we must change national and global priorities about what work, and which workers, we value—including worldwide attitudes towards caring for our children.”

— Marian Wright Edelman, President, Children’s Defense Fund

"*The Real Wealth of Nations* is a call for nothing less than a ground shift in consciousness. I urge you to read this profound and important book."

– Eve Ensler, author, *The Vagina Monologues* and *Insecure at Last*

"Visionary social critic Riane Eisler offers readers challenging new ways to think about economics, caring, and ending domination in *The Wealth of Nations*. Breaking new ground, with keen insight and brilliance she charts the journey to freedom and well-being."

— bell hooks, author, *All About Love*

“In *The Real Wealth of Nations*, Riane Eisler dares us to tear down our preconceptions about what matters in economics —and move to an economic system that actually meets human needs and aspirations. This book should be read by every member of Congress, and its practical ideas incorporated into economic

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policy.”

— The Honorable Claudine Schneider, member of U.S. Congress 1980-1990

“An essential tool for government leaders, politicians, economists, and everyone looking for ways to halt environmental destruction, eradicate poverty, stabilize population, and build a better future, *The Real Wealth of Nations* shows us how to construct a sustainable new economy – and a good quality of life for our children and generations to come.”

— The Honorable Vigdis Finnbogadóttir, President of Iceland 1980-1996

“In *The Real Wealth of Nations*, Riane Eisler, long a voice of sanity and clarity in an increasingly confusing world, does what has been desperately needed for a long time: bring back a human- and nature-centric perspective to economics to show how ends and means can be integrated. We had better get this right, because time is running out on governing our societies by rules and institutions that lack any real sense of what truly matters.”

— Peter Senge, author, *The Fifth Discipline: the Art and Practice of the Learning Organization*, Founder, Society for Organizational Learning, Senior Lecturer, MIT

Those of us who hope that the winds of change in American politics might provide us with a new direction in dealing with issues like poverty and global warming need to read and re-read Eisler's analysis. No significant change is likely unless our leaders come to grips with these ideas. *The Real Wealth of Nations* is a necessary handbook for the 21st century.”

— Rabbi Michael Lerner, editor of TIKKUN and author, *The Left Hand of God: Taking Back Our Country from the Religious Right*

"Riane Eisler is one of the great wisdom voices of our times. Her perspectives and insights have enriched my life immeasurably, as they have millions of others. In *The Real Wealth of Nations*, she gives us the vision and understanding – and the tools we can use – to shift our economics to a path where greed and violence no longer prevail, but are replaced by creativity and generosity. If you want to be part of the solution, read this magnificent book!"

— John Robbins, author of *Healthy at 100* and *Diet for a New America*

“Riane Eisler is one of the most important and influential thinkers of our time. In *The Real Wealth of Nations* she turns her attention to the importance of caring and issues a clarion call for contemporary societies to recognize and value the essential contribution of caregiving to human well-being.”

— David C. Korten, author of *The Great Turning* and *When Corporations Rule the World*

"From third world poverty to climate change, it's become increasingly clear that traditional economic thinking is not only unable to solve today's myriad problems; it's responsible for many of them. Riane Eisler's brilliant new book expands the scope and practice of economics beyond capitalism and socialism to a new economics in which equity, justice, and environmental sanity prevail. Must reading!"

— Morris Dees, Co-founder, Southern Poverty Law Center

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