

Thomas Pogge

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It seems far-fetched, even preposterous, to blame the global economic order for the persistence of severe poverty in countries that are ruled by obvious thugs and crooks.

~Thomas Pogge

Income inequality matters more on a day-to-day basis. Wealth matters more for political influence.

~Thomas Pogge

Whatever we, as prospective participants unaware of our specific features, would desire society to be like is what, morally speaking, we ought to institute.

~Thomas Pogge

Economics is like a church, and it fulfills the same function the church had fulfilled for centuries: the justification of the status quo.

~Thomas Pogge

Severe poverty is getting better by some measures, but it's also becoming ever more scandalous because it is now so easily avoidable.

~Thomas Pogge

What is really nice about the Health Impact Fund is that it is a win-win, something that without much cost to anyone makes a lot of people better off.

~Thomas Pogge

Domestic power structures are shaped in good part by global arrangements.

~Thomas Pogge

It is for the poor people's sake, above all, that we urgently need more unity and better organization and need to concentrate our reform efforts in order to really to achieve reforms, one by one.

~Thomas Pogge

We have the ability now to arrange global economic institutions so that poverty declines to a fraction of what it is now.

~Thomas Pogge

It is perfectly consistent - and also true - to say that the world poverty problem today is smaller (relative to world population) than before and yet also a much graver injustice.

~Thomas Pogge

The collective income of all these people - the bottom half - is less than three percent of global household income, and so there is a grotesque maldistribution of income and wealth.

~Thomas Pogge

We live in a world where economic positions - income and wealth - are very unevenly distributed, and this leads to the widespread persistence of poverty.

~Thomas Pogge

Large companies are very good at solving extremely complex problems in a globally optimal way.

~Thomas Pogge

The Bank and the media continue to propagate the story that the global elite wishes to be told: that the number of poor has declined by 24 percent in those 15 years [1990-2005].

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