

## 提醒：有可用更新版本

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科技公司网页上的两则警句：

1. 请注意，在为设备安装软件更新之后，不能再降级到以前的版本。<sup>1</sup>
2. 你无法完全停止更新。<sup>2</sup>

一种持续升级的倾向：在更新的风险和终止支援之间，人所感到的焦虑，严格说来和地缘政治产生的精神病症相去不远；但是，将此刻全球化模式写成简明的“请勿断线”，似乎比起复杂理论更能直观地传达困境。

如果将这种不带文化属性的技术治理作为药引（Pharmakon），也许就能暂时阻断全球化下的认同焦虑，看见另一种宰制形式；比如，如果以更新主义的角度思考：为何 19 世纪引入上海的欧洲马赛克建筑饰面会在 21 世纪的城市更新里变成废墟？它的结论很可能是——没有绝对的西方中心，只有更新的成败之别。

在这个更新至上的世界里，我们可以将问题变得简洁。去询问全球化是不是一种反生命的形式？毕竟在当前可持续发展方案无法解决全球心理焦虑的情况下，这些发展想拯救的到底是生命，还是全球化本身？

全球化机器总是将事物抽象之后送往远方，在世界各处制造平滑网络和破洞；但生命似乎倾向于停下来，以身边的物重新调节自己。这表明生命其实有一套自我更新的方法，并且总能和世界重新建立联系。在这两种不同的更新逻辑之间，也许就是人在这个时代感到的矛盾。

<sup>1</sup> 可见于苹果公司的“安全性发布”。

<sup>2</sup> 可见于微软公司的“更新：常见问题解答”。

## Reminder: Version Update Available

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Two warnings on the tech companies' pages:

1. Note that after a software update is installed, it cannot be downgraded to the previous version.
2. You can't stop updates entirely.<sup>2</sup>

A tendency for continuous upgrading: The anxiety felt between the risks of updating and the end of support is not far from the mental illness caused by geopolitics; however, writing the current globalization model as a simple 'Do Not Disconnect' seems to convey the dilemma more intuitively than complex theories.

If we consider this culturally neutral technological governance as a pharmakon, it might temporarily block the identity anxiety under globalization and reveal another form of domination. For example, considering from the perspective of Updatism: why did the European mosaic architectural finishes introduced to Shanghai in the 19th century become ruins in the urban renewal of the 21st century? Its conclusion is likely - there is no absolute Western center, only the difference between the success and failure of updates.

In this update-centric world, we can simplify the question. Is globalization a form of anti-life? After all, if current sustainable development solutions cannot resolve global psychological anxiety, what are these solutions trying to save - life or globalization itself?

The globalization machine always abstracts things and sends them afar, creating smooth networks and gaps around the world; but life seems inclined to pause and readjust itself with the surroundings.. This indicates that life has its own method of self-updating and can always re-establish a connection with the world. Amidst these divergent logics of updating lies a potential contradiction that resonates with individuals in this era.

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1 Apple security releases.

2 Windows Update: FAQ from Microsoft.