

Epilogue

*We're going to move from being **isolated** to being **connected**.*

*We'll move away from **extraction** to embrace **aggregation**.*

*I also think and hope we'll shift from craving **obedience** from our things to valuing their **autonomy**.^[2]*

This thesis couldn't be done without a respect to these values. It's the result of years of observing, thinking about and questioning everything that surrounds me in everyday scenarios, that has led to the aggregation of the ideas I present here. And I mean literal aggregation, because there are not that many lines on these pages that haven't been said or thought about before - it could have been written by algorithm, even. It's just about having open eyes and ears. It's about connecting the dots. Human being is not an island of its own, it's the connection with others that yields the best and most exciting ideas, through brain-storms with like-minded people, and by like-minded I mean no exclusive group.

I believe we are all alike, united in our differences.

I believe we all look for a reason to get up in the morning.

And I believe we all want to live simple lives, which is still not that simple.

We've been promised freedom from laborious tasks that no one wants to do voluntarily since industrial revolution. The machines were supposed to free us from conditions that are inhuman, yet that promise hasn't been fulfilled for centuries since the steam engine appeared. But now, more than ever, we are close to that goal. That doesn't mean it's going to be easy, rather the opposite - it requires all of us to overcome the short-sighted goals like personal profit, because the goal should not be to be the richest person in the cemetery. It requires not to close eyes to problems that seem to be too big to tackle, because with that kind of thinking we would have never set a foot on a Moon.

It's the relentless idealism that moves the world forward.