

... simulations, or testing their ideas in the social feedback incubators (if not labs, these days); some others of 'us' speculate by re-vision and projection in cultures and spheres of meaning. In all cases it is noteworthy to see that speculation has left the realm of contemplation, and entered the arenas of real-world play and experimentation. We now seriously speculate frisky and ludic, even when gambling on our own bodily or social existence.

What is at stake in speculation?

Speculation always has been associated with philosophy, cosmology, the non-profane, etc, and by implication with the 'imaginary institution/s' weaving and sustaining power. If alternative world-views and socio-cultural universes – let's subsume these under: 'worlds' – are to be possible, they are possible because of speculating on, with and against current praxis, experiential structures and political ontologies. All interesting deviations are small scale bets and pay-offs measured against these larger-scale speculations and projections they test, make possible or squander.

... , this is not to talk about speculation being the only conceivable mode at the interfaces of overdetermined complexities...