

Re: proof that most etymologies are only fairy-tales

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On Aug 18, 2:39 pm, Harlan Messinger
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All the technologies we all enjoy today that are ensembles of hundreds or thousands of new ideas that have been lauded and embraced, not hated. Besides that, look at all the universities that *expect* their doctoral candidates and professors to come up with new ideas. Look at all the think tanks that pay experts to come up with new ideas. In light of all this, such a remark from you is nothing more than self-justifying paranoia.

Apparently you never had an idea of your own that you had to propose and defend. I won't engage myself in another boring discussion with you. Just one point. Why did the USA not invest in solar energy? You got vast sunny plains in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada and California, you are leading in high tech, you got elite universities, you have brilliant researchers and engineers. Why did they get no money and encouragement for developing solar energy devices and facilities? It happens now that new solar cells that convert light of every color into electricity and will one day reach an efficiency of eighty degrees (compared to the some seventeen degrees of the best conventional cells) are being developed in Germany. You could have done the same ten years ago. Who has hindered your scientists? Back in 1990 an engineer at the Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (where Einstein taught for a while, very few students attending his lectures), Dr. Meinrad Eberle and his team built a sports car that used 3 (three) liters of fuel per one hundred kilometers. Why can't your engineers achieve the same? Why are you flooding Europe with monster cars?

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And why has the big climate report, written by numerous brilliant US American scientists, been published in a censored form? As I said, new ideas were always hated. I could tell you stories for hours, from the general history of ideas, and from pioneers in Switzerland, but I chose an example that concerns you and us directly. The biosphere is a fragile film covering our planet, we cause a dramatic climate change (we can tell in Switzerland, for our glaciers are melting away at a rate we never held possible), and we must really do something about it. There are people around who could cope with the climate change, but they were and are hindered by powerful lobbies, and by the general hate for new ideas (which is also present in sci.lang, where scientific arguments are replaced by ad hominem, mobbing, and killrating). I am pleased, however, by Google's engagement for solar energy.

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