Economics as story-telling: the power and limitation of models

Economics likes to think of itself as a neutral, value-free science of rational calculations. Its models are supposed to predict and guide in robust calculable ways. Prof. Jackson challenges this view and argues that economists have always been story-tellers. This doesn’t at all invalidate economics. But it does mean we should scrutinise those stories very carefully. Whose stories are they? What do they tell us about our worldviews and our sense of self? And what do they miss out in pursuit of their happy (and sometimes tragic) endings?

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