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Civilization is Self-Eliminating, Says Neurohacker Co-Founder ***The Jim Rutt Show*** with guest ***Daniel Schmachtenberger***

"Civilization is doomed," says evolutionary scholar Daniel Schmachtenberger, who points out that, with nuclear weapons, no state will ever have the monopoly on power needed to fix the world's worsening problems.

In a [relentless interview](#) with self-professed "skeptic," Jim Rutt, Schmachtenberger engagingly rips through the reasons we can't fix global problems. The interests of the major players aren't aligned with the whole. The result is a Pandora's Box of nightmares with little possibility of coordinating a global response in time to prevent human extinction.

Jim Rutt tests Schmachtenberger at every turn. Just when he has ruled out the possibility of making incremental improvements to solve these problems, the social engineer springs an idea for a new civilization, an Open Source Society, without private property or the possibility of accumulating personal wealth. Topics covered in this fascinating view of the end of the world include:

- => The Evolution of Technology
- => We've Exceeded the Limits of Growth
- => Tinkering is Not a Solution
- => Free Riders, Defectors and Tony Soprano
- => Building a Non-Terminating Civilization
- => Anti-Rivalrous Behavior and The Open Source Society

The Jim Rutt Show is an interview podcast series examining cutting-edge thinking in science and technology and the future of our economic, political and social systems and institutions. Recent guests include media critic and author, [Douglas Rushkoff](#); journalist and science fiction author, [Cory Doctorow](#); and artificial intelligence pioneer [Dr. Ben Goertzel](#).

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About Daniel Schmachtenberger

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Daniel Schmachtenberger is a Co-Founder of the [Neurohacker Collective](#) and director of Research and Development, where he is focused on developing processes and technologies for advancing medicine and human optimization. He is particularly focused on personalized medicine, adequate approaches to complex illness, and deepening our knowledge of how the human regulatory systems function, how they break down, and how they can be supported to function with greater resilience. Daniel conducts many of the podcasts at **Collective Insights**, and has a blog on redesigning civilization at [CivilizationEmerging.com](#).

About Jim Rutt

The host of **The Jim Rutt Show** is Jim Rutt, former CEO of Network Solutions. *The New York Times* referred to him as ["the Internet's bad boy"](#) due to his reputation for creative mischief. Jim is the past Chairman of the Santa Fe Institute, where he continues as a Research Fellow studying conscious cognition and evolutionary artificial intelligence.

Jim is a co-founder of the Staunton Makerspace, a membership maker shop and hacker space, and a member of the Board of Advisers of the Fralin Life Sciences Institute at Virginia Tech. Jim received his B.S. degree in management from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1975 and is a member of MIT's Visiting Committee for the Department of Brain & Cognitive Sciences. He was Executive Producer of the awarding-winning film [Zombiewood](#).

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