

Criticism that ignores the relationships that in their very fluidity dynamize global politics and culture, and fails to reflect on the self in criticism of the other, more often than not simply falls back upon received ideological or cultural shibboleths, if it does not slide into vacuous self-righteousness.

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