Some research directions?

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Neoliberalism

- Deregulation??
  - ‘neoliberal corporatism’
  - ‘interventionist neoliberalism’
- Decollectivisation
- Commercialisation of public
- **Transfer of resources and power to corporations**
what role should we see in society for the corporation?
Varieties of capitalism literature

• What determines these differences?
  – Is it regulation?
  – Culture?

• Can corporations be controlled?
  – what research is necessary to help us understand whether and how this can be done?
Links between corporate governance regulation and labour regulation

• What areas of law fundamentally shape how corporations behave towards labour and civil society?
  – corporations governance law?
  – regulation of external actions?

• Can we change the way that corporations behave by the way we regulate their internal decision making processes?
International level regulation

• what mechanisms need to be in place to give CSR/codes of conduct a chance of succeeding?
• What can be done to develop an international social protection policy?
there is no alternative
Class identification (working and lower), USA, 1974-2004
Meeting of G8 Employment and Labour Ministers,
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- research that helps empower the disempowered
- what research?
- research for whose ends?
What positive alternative futures are feasibly available?

- What would a ‘feasibly ideal’ world look like?
- How do these feasibly ideal futures relate to employment and work?
- What research is needed to help us move to such futures?
- What barriers are in place?
What positive alternative futures are feasibly available?

- democratic worker ownership?
- democratisation *in* corporations?
- democratisation *of* corporations?