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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



ECONOMIC PAIN – HOW BAD IS THE STRAIN? - The Global Economy Is Under Pressure—But How Bad Is It? Two Experts Share Insights

The issues facing the global economy - which include inflation, climate change, and the war in Europe - have coalesced into what experts have called a 'polycrisis.' [Read more.](#)



AS INFLATION IS TAMED, IS THE ECONOMY MAIMED? - The Fed May Finally Be Winning the War on Inflation. But at What Cost?

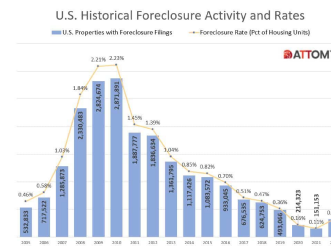
There's a good chance that the Fed could push the economy into recession. The pain will not be shared equally. [Read more.](#)

REAL ESTATE HIGHLIGHTS



BIG APPLE'S PLUM APARTMENTS PLUMMET - High and Dry in Manhattan: Buyers and Sellers In Housing Market Stand-Off

Manhattan apartment sales fell by nearly 30% in the fourth quarter. Brokers are concerned both buyers and sellers are staying on the sidelines. [Read more.](#)



FORECLOSURE EXPOSURE - U.S. Foreclosure Activity Doubled In 2022: ATTOM

ATTOM, a leading curator of real estate data nationwide, released its Year-End 2022 U.S. Foreclosure Market Report. [Read more.](#)

URBAN PLANNING



BOSTON BRIDGE BETWEEN POOR AND RICH - Can This Man Blow up City Development without Destroying Boston?

Last year, Arthur Jemison took over the notoriously developer-friendly Boston Planning and Development Agency with the goal of reform. Can the MIT alum prevent the city from becoming an über-wealthy enclave without sacrificing its progress? [Read more.](#)



URBAN PLANNERS' ALLIANCE WITH DATA SCIENCE - Using Urban Spatial Analytics to Solve City Planning Conundrums

The Weitzman School's Elizabeth Delmelle, director of the Master of Urban Spatial Analytics program, discusses neighborhood change, urban inequality, and urban transportation. [Read more.](#)

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OFFICE DEVELOPERS EMBRACE HOME SPACE - Top Office Owners Don't Want to Own Only Office Buildings Anymore

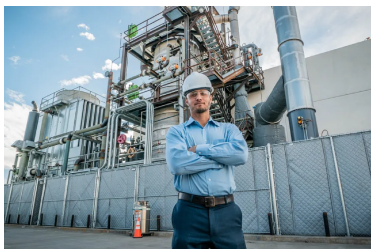
Apartment-building acquisitions spur quick returns, require 'minimal capital expenditure'. [Read more.](#)



AS LONDON'S SKYLINE BOOMS, IS WFH DOOMED? - New London Skyline Plans Offer A Hint that Work-From-Home Days Could Be Numbered

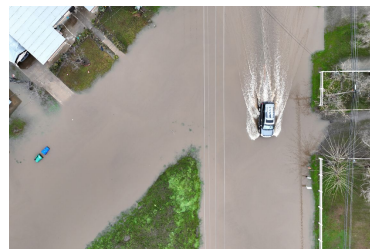
The City of London's skyline is set to get a major shake-up, but the plans tease a shift in wider trends around the future of work. [Read more.](#)

CLIMATE CHANGE



CALIFORNIA SOLVES GREENHOUSE GAS IMPASSE - A California Startup Is Turning Greenhouse Gas into A Biodegradable Plastic Alternative That's Being Used by Shake Shack, Nike, And H&M

Newlight Technologies is using a technique that builds on the one used by bacteria to devour methane escaping from the ocean floor to transform greenhouse



FLOODS WEIGH ON MONTEREY - Monterey Peninsula Could Become an Island as Epic Flooding Engulfs California Cities. And More Rain Is on The Way

Monterey Peninsula residents could soon be living on an island as the state has been hammered by a cascade of atmospheric rivers. The relentless rainfall

gas into a biodegradable replacement for plastic (and consume oil spills such as the Deepwater Horizon). [Read more.](#)

has also lifted much of California out of "extreme drought" conditions. [Read more.](#)

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS



INVESTORS BET ON REAL ESTATE DEBT - Sizing Up the Opportunity in Short-Term Real Estate Lending

With inflation, rising interest rates, and market volatility weighing on investors' minds, more are looking to defend their portfolios with alternative investments. And according to one expert, private debt within real estate could be ideal for the headwinds coming in 2023. [Read more.](#)



LESSONS AFFIRMATIVE FROM INVESTMENTS ALTERNATIVE - 3 Things I Learned About Alternative Investments This Past Year

The stock and bond markets were down by double digits last year and there were few other public investment options. Yet, some advisors took the sting out of the year by investing in non-publicly traded securities that had different return and liquidity characteristics. [Read more.](#)

LAST WORD



DESIGNER'S AI REIMAGINES PARISIAN SKY - Using AI, Vincent Callebaut Reimagines 'Haussmannian' Paris Architecture as Green, Breathable Buildings

Drawing from the work of Baron Haussmann, who was responsible for the urban transformation of Paris between 1853 and 1870, architectural firm Vincent Callebaut Architectures presents a series of futuristic, biologically inspired architectures for the French capital. [Read more.](#)

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