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The Capital Order

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For more than a century, governments have resorted to the economic policies of austerity—rise in interest rates, privatization, cuts to wages and public benefits. While these policies have been successful in appeasing creditors, they've had devastating effects on social and economic welfare in countries all over the world. Today, as austerity remains a favored policy among troubled states, an important question remains: What if solvency was never really the goal? In *The Capital Order*, political economist Clara E. Mattei explores the origins of austerity to uncover its core function: the protection of capital—and indeed capitalism—in times of social upheaval from below. Drawing on newly uncovered archival material from Britain and Italy, much of it translated for the first time, *The Capital Order* offers a damning and essential new account of the rise of austerity—and of modern economics—at the levers of contemporary political power.

A recent interview with Clara Mattei is available here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ofFR1mD2UOM>

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