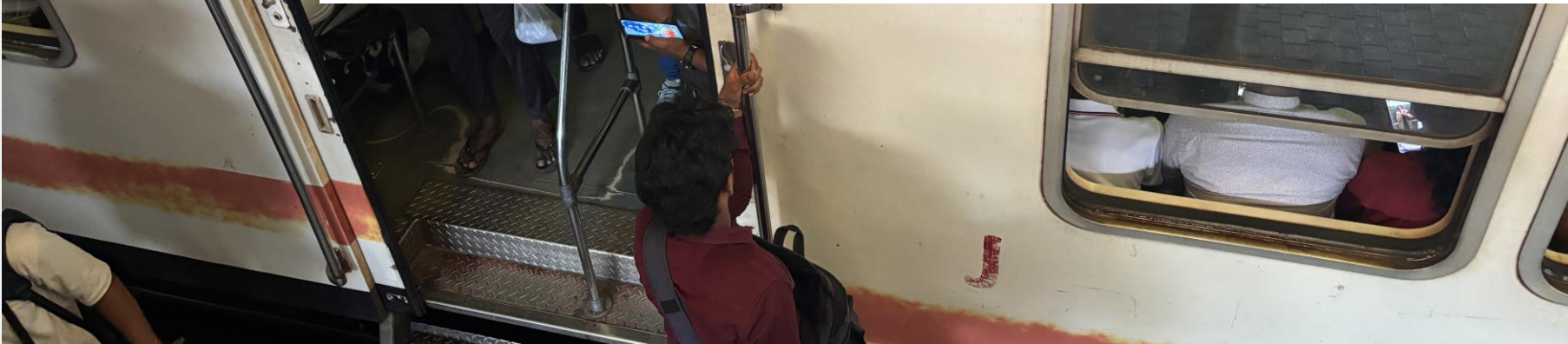


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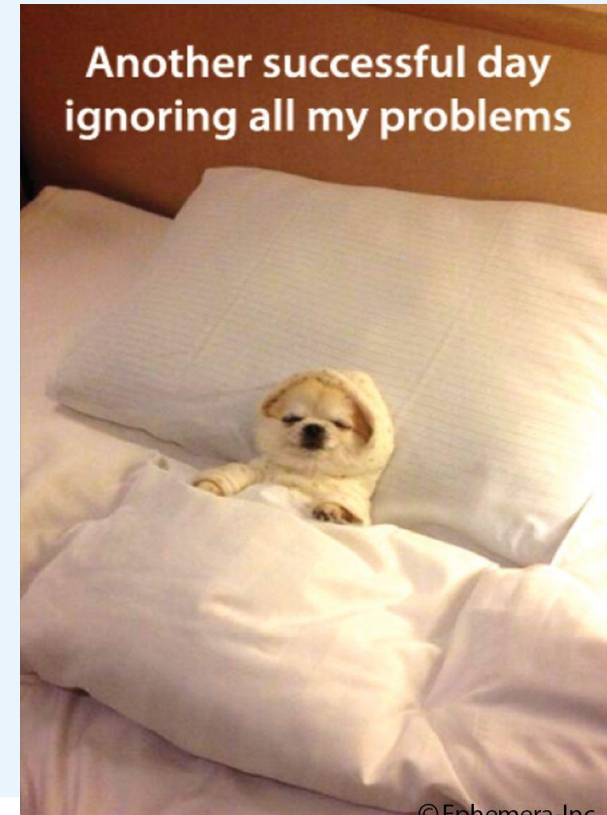
# The Paradox of Hypermobile Tourism: *Mobility for the Privileged and Borders for “the Others”*

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# What is the problem with (hyper)mobility?

- Mobility is neither neutral nor technical.
- Has a performative, value-laden, and potentially political character.
- **Who gets to move, how they move, under what conditions, and at whose expense?**
- The more we move, the less free we become
- Creating new problems while drifting further from our real lives.



# Today's agenda

- Mobility capital and uneven mobilities
- Mobility poverty and infrastructural inequality
- Mobility equity and its implications in and for tourism



# Mobility capital



- A combination of different forms of capital (e.g. economic, social, cultural, symbolic) that enables individuals to move across physical, social, and symbolic spaces and to convert this movement into their advantage.
- The ability to move and to benefit from this movement. Socially produced, unevenly distributed, and deeply tied to power relations and inequality.

# Mobility poverty

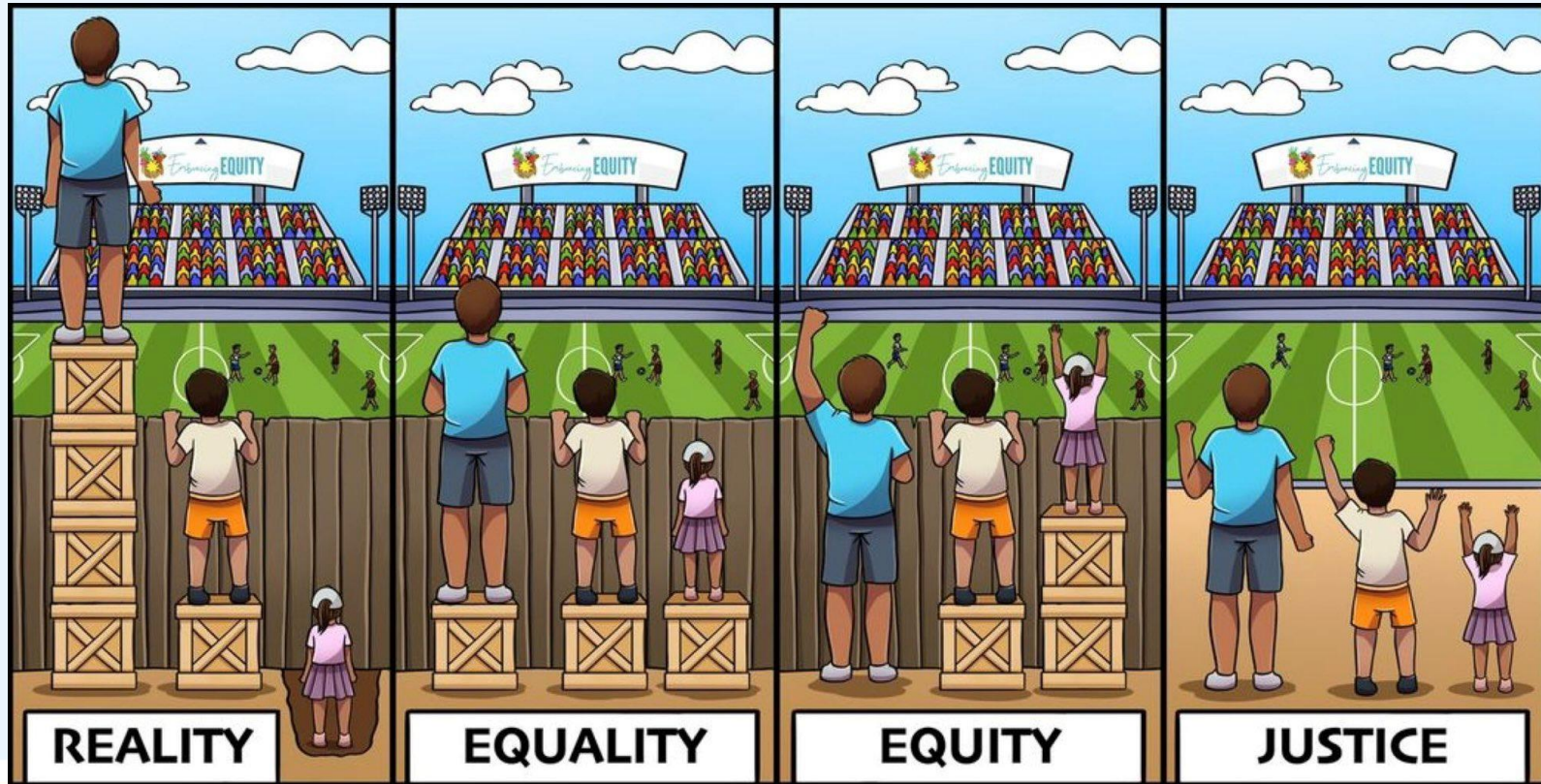
- A lack of accessible, affordable, and safe transport needed to participate in social life.
- Mobility is not just uneven – it is governed.
- How is infrastructure designed to privilege certain lives over others?
- Highways cut their neighbourhoods, airports expand over their homes.
- The question is not “how to reduce mobility” but “whose mobility we are willing to confront”?

# Mobility equity and tourism implications

- When you travel from the north, you are a tourist; when you travel from the south, you are a migrant.
- Tourism infrastructure rarely designed for locals.
- The challenge is not only to reduce emissions within existing systems but to reimagine these systems entirely.



# Empowering the vulnerable groups in society



# Epilogue

“But one must not think of ill of the paradox, for the paradox is the passion of thought, and the thinker without paradox is like the lover without passion:  
a mediocre fellow”.

Søren Kierkegaard

Now, where shall I/we travel to next geographically... and why?

Now, where shall I/we travel to next conceptually... and why? And why not?

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