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A space expert examines the challenges of planetary engineering*

New Earths Restructuring Earth And Other Planets

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reside within the Solar System for example may never be ideal locationsforhumanhabitation buttheypresentthegreatpotential for conversion into enormous hydroponic food producing centers The idea of transforming alien worlds has long been a literary backdrop for science fiction writers and many a make believe planet has succumbed to the actions of direct manipulation and the indomitable grinding of colossal machines Indeed there is something both liberating and humbling about the notion of tra forming another world it is the quintessential eucatastrophy espoused by J R R Tolkien the catastrophe that ultimately brings about a better world When oxygen was first copiously produced by cyanobacterial activity on the Earth some three billion years ago it was an act of extreme chemical pollution and a eucatastrophy The original life nurturing atmosphere was eventually changed f ever but an atmosphere that could support advanced life forms came about

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