

PHILOSOPHY, SOFTWARE

# DEPRESSED FORMER INTERNET OPTIMIST

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[technology review](#) explains a new breed

all this has given rise to a new breed: the Depressed Former Internet Optimist (DFIO). Everything from public apologies by figures in the technology industry to informal chatter in conference hallways suggests it's become very hard to find an internet Optimist in the old, classic vein. There are now only Optimists-in-retreat, Optimists-in-doubt, or Optimists-hedging-their-bets.


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Many Optimists believed that the structure of the internet by itself—manifested in collaborative projects such as wikis or crowdfunding—would bend social outcomes in their favor. One response to the events of 2016 has been to revisit this assumption, claiming that while the basics might have been right, more work is needed to realize the original vision.

So may I add here an advertisement of Tim Berner-Lee's [Solid project](#) operating [Inrupt](#)?

Imagine if all your current apps talked to each other, collaborating and conceiving ways to enrich and streamline your personal life and business objectives? That's the kind of innovation, intelligence and creativity Solid apps will generate.


As we are now redefining content [why not also getting paid by Brave when browsing](#)? The not not evil Alphabet company has already announced some major changes.

**Brave Rewards**<sup>TM</sup>




### Ads

Earn tokens by viewing ads in Brave. Ads presented are based on your interests, as inferred from your browsing behavior. No personal data or browsing history ever leaves your browser.

**Coming soon.**

### Auto-Contribute


An automatic way to support publishers and content creators. Set a monthly payment and browse normally. The sites you visit receive your contributions automatically, based on your attention as measured by Brave.



- Reward creators for the content you love.
- Your monthly payment gets distributed across the sites you visit.


### Tips

Tip content creators directly as you browse or give tips to videos and tweets that you 'like'. You can also set up recurring monthly tips so you can support sites continuously.


**DONATE**

- Tip on the spot as you find gems.
- Send Tips on Twitter, YouTube, and more, to reward posts you 'like'.

Your wallet

**25.0** BAT  
6.05 USD


Grants ▾

Add Funds

REWARDS SUMMARY

## OCTOBER 2018

Token Grants Claimed **25.0** BAT 6.05 USD

 Your Brave wallet is managed by Uphold.

Brave Rewards is built on the Basic Attention Token. [Learn more about BAT here](#)