

MAIN INSTRUMENTS OF THE SYSTEM CHANGE:

- Creation of new *Basic Values* and of a new *Socio-ethical Foundation*
- An End to Enforced Economic Growth and Competitive Pressure
- Relativisation of the Monetary Value and overall Demonetarisaton (uncoupling from monetary value) of the Systems of Production and Services
- Dissolution of State Borders
- Creation of the *Commons* as the Foundation of the *Universal Standard of Living*
- Globally renewed Social Organisation and Structure of Production based on a Participatory Democratic Approach

TRANSITION – PROCESS OF TRANSFORMATION:

MEDIUM TERM REFORMS – National level

- Reform of the ethical basis of the institutional curricula of education and vocational training
- Limitation of the individual accumulation of capital and power
- Dismantling of monetary income inequality
- A more human economic and social system for transition

International Level

- Readjustment of the United Nations (UN) and its political implementation authority
- Supranational military authority (UN) and control of arms production and the arms trade
- Supervisory council for energy, natural resources and global environmental sustainability
- Effective oversight of the financial markets and uncoupling of all existential goods from stock trading
- Global currency and free trade on global society-based comparative production advantages

LONG TERM REFORMS – National level

- Gradual transfer of sector-specific production and service systems to the public domain
- Gradual introduction and administration of the social commons

- Gradual uncoupling of the social commons from monetary value (demonetarisaton)
- Gradual creation of a Universal Standard of Living for all members of society

International Level

- Dissolution of the nation-states and creation of regional/local administrative zones
- Creation of a planetary People's Congress and Social Administrative Council
- Demonetarisaton and creation of the global social commons and of a universal standard of living

For a social consensus, joining forces, and for building a strong movement.

The demanded “medium-term” reforms at international and national levels should be understood as the cornerstones of a de facto political programme and at the same time as a basic precondition for the long-term process of a successful system change.

Such a social-political programme would have to form the ideological base of a possibly unavoidable foundation of a political movement or party, which would initially operate at the local and national levels, but whose inherent goal would have to be to develop into an international, and thus global, social and political force. This would be the precondition for securing popular support through a democratic electoral process in the medium term, and thus for a necessary, epoch-making reorientation of human civilisation with the goal of achieving sustainable development at all levels of global society.

A worldwide system change constitutes a global social process that requires for its realization in particular to incorporate and build upon also already existing approaches and movements geared towards social change, and to be carried forward by their respective dynamics. For achieving a global social system change it is therefore existentially necessary to work accordingly in an emancipatory way at all levels simultaneously. In this context, it is important to eliminate in the medium term the present fragmentation and lone-fighter attitude of precious initiatives and actors.

Only if all the different movements of a solidarity, altruistic and non-materialistic worldview are joining forces and are building a common social front, there will be the possibility of sustainably changing the economic and social systems worldwide and thereby developing a globally renewed society on planet earth.

The System Change

Global Social Modernity



A programmatic social and political blueprint for a necessary, epoch-making reorientation of human civilisation with the goal of achieving sustainable development at all levels of global society, a high universal standard of living and finally overcoming poverty, war and the self-destruction of the planet

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This social-political blueprint contains a proposal concerning how we can overcome the present value system, which is based primarily on an individualistic economics-driven social prestige, and the competitive global social and economic structure founded upon it. It describes a **global social model** to be implemented on a planetary scale which reverses the basic aberrations and abuses of our era, in which all human beings are ensured a high standard of living, while simultaneously safeguarding the ecological sustainability of our planet.

It is not a matter of a utopian conception, but rather of an **existentially necessary outcome of a possible process of social maturation**. It does not involve a stereotypical political appeal either, for it rejects all forms of ideological narrow-mindedness. Nevertheless this social blueprint is presented as a basis for debate so that it can develop into a (political) programme which **offers pragmatic proposals for a gradual social transformation** as a response to the challenge to undertake a fundamental global social reform of human action and of the corresponding view of the world.

The concrete model of *Global Social Modernity* (GLOSMO) does not claim to be original or unique, nor is it presented as a visionary new social theory. On the contrary, it is closely intertwined with past and present discussions of social ideologies, social psychology and social economics. Moreover, it is situated within the context of the current critical social and political debate and the associated need to work out concrete, pragmatic social and economic options for promoting a sustainable development of global society on Planet Earth.

GLOBAL SOCIAL ANOMALIES - TODAY

A primarily materialistic and egocentric branded world view:

- The economic growth as well as especially the maximization of earnings and profit are the most important parameters of orientation for all national and international economic processes and, due i.a. to the necessity to create money income, consequently also of human behaviour.
- A competitive society, in which individuals and enterprises/groups compete to prevail *against* others, in order to realize or increase primarily financial and material gains, and thereby ultimately obtain also social distinction. Implicit equalization of economic success (money income/wealth) with social appreciation and acceptance.

- With the exception of the *sun light* and the *air* we breathe and up to a certain degree *love and affection*, all domains and things in our lives have by today converted into monetarily valued, and thereby traded or tradable, commodities, and can become private property.
- A high material standard of living for one self and ones own direct social environment (family/friends) - but not beyond - is regarded as the chief live objective.
- The motivation of personal performance is primarily determined by the prospect (expectation) of (high) financial income and the therewith interrelated social prestige.
- Accelerated alignment of economic power with political/social influence (inter alia mass media, transnational corporations).
- Decisions of geostrategic and state policy importance, inclusive those related to the natural environment and military interventions, are primarily determined by economic interests.

Consequences: The mania of consumerism, stress, dumbing down, nationalism, environmental destruction, wars, injustice, poverty, migration, oppression, marginalization, loneliness are just a few aspects of our global reality. In order to be able to overcome the aberrations and abuses of our evolution in the long run, we need a profound, perhaps even a radical system change.

To be able to bring about such a transformation in social mindsets, mankind will have to break with rigid patterns of thought and presumed laws governing human social behaviour. **The breach of taboos is an existential necessity and must take place on a global scale.**

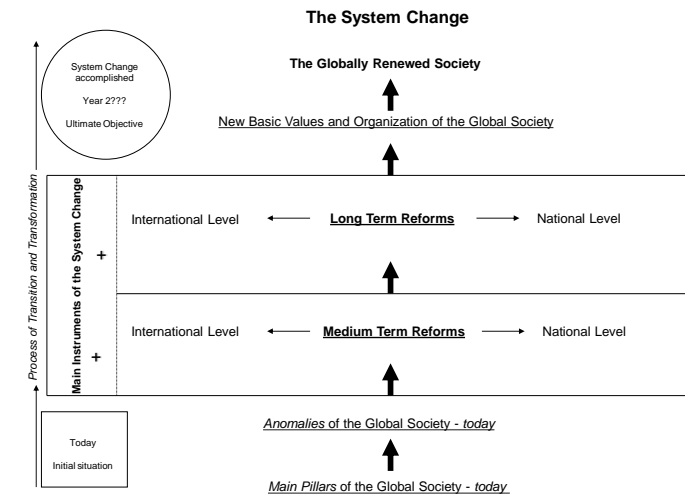


WHAT COULD BE THE OBJECTIVE?

At the end of the social transition (*process of transformation*) the goal aspired to of developing a Globally Renewed Society on Planet Earth would be accomplished:

A modern, forward-looking society

...which has overcome starvation and poverty, exclusion, envy, hatred and violence, for which wars have become history and which husbands natural resources sustainably; a society whose peoples are committed to the welfare of all strata of global society, which promotes personal solidarity and collective progress, while simultaneously ensuring individually determinable scope for development and realisation within the framework of a corresponding system of values.



WHAT CAN WE DO – NOW :

- ✓ Support the System Change movement GLOSMO; share and promote with friends and other people the content, objectives and reforms demanded – in talking, via the internet, through social and other media.
- ✓ Participate in GLOSMO workshops; contribute in forming the System Change, in building a strong global movement.

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