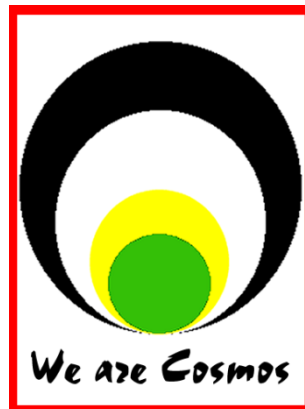


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We live in an age of transition. The old hegemon is in decay, while new powers are on the rise. Many boast about “A New Era”. There will be a shift from a mono- towards a multipolar world. An era in which everything will be “better”. O yes, in the near future - compared to the old Western ego-society - certainly some (major) improvements will be made. Already the multi-polarity is putting a halt to global wars. Some (promising) initiatives are taken toward the health of the people e.g. the environment. But will the core of governance in the world really change for the better? Instead of one “Big Brother” several “Big Brothers?” BB is defined by the trias of totalitarian state power, rude (corporate) capitalism and overall surveillance of society. These are the forces through which Western Empires (US, EU) were (still are) aiming at total dominance. That is now coming to an end. It has led to the disintegration of society on all levels: extreme ego-centrism, superficiality, powerlessness, meaninglessness, breakdown of human relationships and the community, ethical indifference, violence, consumerism, virtual addictions, decay of cognitive functions, chronic disease and degeneration (Alzheimer). Contrary to this the new powers exhibit self-confidence, optimism, progress, even claiming “world leadership”. What you see, however, is that each tries to expand its own geopolitical influence. Worrisome is that they use very familiar phrases: markets, innovation, technology, opportunities, investments, companies, growth and profits. It is not difficult to guess: It is all about corporate expansion! The point is that Europe already had its peak in economic development and welfare. It discovered that “human values” eventually deteriorated because of total commercialization of society. Our point of view is, that a new wave of economic dominance is highly undesirable. Europe’s main challenge is to build a new culture, in which not greed but spirituality is the foundation. China with its long-term thinking certainly includes the idea of future “africanization” of Europe. In that case Europe will be “invaded” by hundreds of millions of people who’s aim it is to raise their standard of living. An attractive new market, indeed. So will the core of the global crisis – the Ego-Catastrophe – be addressed by these changes? Will society – from the individual to the community – indeed be healed? I am afraid that if the power triad (mentioned above) – mono or multi - will continue to dominate society no fundamental changes will be brought about.

The utmost priority: the “spiritualization” of Europe

The world can be divided into the rising and the falling powers. What people don’t realize is that both stages are of a totally different character. Many people just assume that both societies more or less function according to the same rules. The difference might only be that the former “have a strong economy” while the latter “have a weak one”. However, both entities are still ruled by the economy as a determining force. In that case there will be only a gradual difference – not a fundamental one - between the rising and the falling powers. With the (capitalist) economy continuing to dominate the globe, the decay of the planet as a whole – as manifested by the Climate Crisis – will be unstoppable. Nationalism won’t help either. It is still ruled by neo-liberalism (state, banks, corporations,

surveillance). Seen from this perspective the multipolar world fails to cure the major ailments of humanity. A third perspective is direly needed. Since the Western system has exhausted all its innovative power, and the new ones proceeding along old lines, this new openness can only come from a dimension beyond the current political “world order”. (Hence our slogan “Ego or Wholeness”). So, what is the fundamentally different character of a society on the rise and a society in decline? By careful observation it soon becomes clear that the former is all about material gain. From the individual to the government the excitement is all about becoming wealthy, prosperous, rich, influential, powerful and dominant. The new powers aim at the old “values” of economic growth and “progress”. In fact it is old wine in new bottles. With all effort, energies and power directed towards this major goal it can hardly be expected that other (equally or more! important) values (spirituality, nature, the community) get the emphasis they direly need. The great chance for humanity therefore lies with the powers in decay! First of all, the Western world “has had it all”. It has many decades of wealth behind it. It not only enjoyed it but also had to suffer the negative side of it. Larger groups of the population therefore long for fundamental change. A change that goes into the direction of true fulfillment, like contact with our deeper Self, friendship, interconnectedness, wholeness, mutual respect, mothers’ and children’s rights, community, self-sovereignty, peace, justice, harmony with nature and joy of life. These are values no Big Brother cherishes.

Cosmically speaking “rising” corresponds with expansion, while “falling” is synonymous with contraction. The movement of the first goes from a beginning (“zero-point”) towards an “endpoint” (centrifugal), pursuing a linear development. Its aim is to reach from A to B. All effort has to be focused on the same (one-dimensional) goal. A society in decay, on the other hand, moves from the “periphery” (its maximal expansion) back to the center (centripetal). The current Ego-Crisis corresponds with its “turning-point”: from growth to shrinking. It creates a totally different awareness in the minds of the people. Increasingly, to Western people the linear “progress” now appears an obsession, rather than a cherished shared goal. It becomes futile to strive for more, more and more of the same thing: a new sofa, a second car, more holidays, more sex, more shopping, a new iPhone or computer, more friends on Fakebook, more video-games etc. Through its past experiences Western (wo)man has learned (hopefully) to distinguish between real value and fake value. He/she is more aware of the pitfalls of the consumption society. He/she grasps the relationship between overconsumption and the collapse of society and nature. The surprise: our Cosmic Vision as described here proves a valuable guideline to understand the **positive** side of the decay. Decay, cosmically interpreted, means moving from the exhaustion stage back to the Source, where one becomes renewed. In its Bottomlessness everything old, sick, rotten, dead, ugly and evil will be destroyed, simultaneously giving birth to the new, fresh, young, alive, beautiful and good. A society in decay **is a society on its way to become reborn**, fundamentally reborn, for all old (ego)“values” are disappearing. A cyclical consciousness emerges. Life is not a rat race, but a continuous process of Regeneration (Death & Rebirth). So, how “falling nations” acquire above mentioned positive values? In this regard our Cosmic Vision appears to be indispensable. It is the guideline for a New (Wo)Man and a New World. Our great surprise: they are the same. We are part of the Cosmos, we are our New World. Instead of new political adventures which only will lead to the next disaster, totally unsuitable to bring about Wholeness, we (politics and economics) should take Cosmic Law – humanity rooted in “Heaven, Earth and the (new) Community” - as a guideline. We are at the eve of a universal HOMECOMING. Heed the Call!

Maybe I should go into more details. As you know from my writings the problems of the world are closely related to the rise of the ego. Because it is an isolated entity – cut off from the Whole – it is dominated by fear (ANGST), inner emptiness, insecurity, loneliness, meaninglessness and powerlessness. However, humans cannot live with this. The building of a society is largely meant to prevent these emotions coming to our conscious mind. This goes “well” as long as society has sufficient inner coherence. What we see today is that both the “inner worlds” as well as the outer are in decay. It is a proof of the fact that a society built on ego is not sustainable. We are inevitably steering towards inner and outer chaos. While the problems surge, the ego becomes more and more

desperate. A few examples. The birth rate in all Western (USA, Europe) and Eastern (Russia, China, Japan) countries goes down dramatically. In a few decades there will be a majority of elderly, while there are not enough young people to take care of them (This is a demographic fact). This alone is enough to cause widespread generational conflicts. The younger generation will not be able to maintain even a limited level of economic activity, enough to feed all. Old age poverty – and not only them, think of the children – becomes epidemic. At the same time chronic and degenerative diseases (Alzheimer) will be unstoppable. These factors are already enough for a collapse of (Western) society. At the same time the ongoing migrations of “refugees” from the Middle East and Africa will totally disrupt European countries. They don’t have the skills to run a complicated technological society. Moreover, these immigrants will have continuous “tribal conflicts” among each other. But this is not all. Through the further decline of Western empire the crisis of the global economic and financial systems becomes permanent. Against the background of ongoing geo-political conflicts, a long period of global instability seems imminent. One can only guess how that works out on the fragile “peace” in the world. The nuclear threat is already our everyday companion. And I am still not talking about the climate crisis! In short, a total collapse seems to be unavoidable. Even the current (EU) and the future (“New World Order”) superstructures cannot turn the tide. A positive side: the global “elite” can forget about their megalomaniac dreams of world hegemony. Everything we undertake right now, including our “We are Cosmos” movement has to be seen against this background. Honestly, my first reaction was that of hopelessness. If the world cannot be saved anymore, what is the use of committing yourself? For that we have to go to our core problem, our not being aware that we live with an artificial, fake, uprooted “I”, identified with our self-image, an isolated entity, separated from the Whole. The result is a self-centered “I” (ego) that considers itself “the centre of the universe”. In reality it is “thrown upon itself”, obsessed with itself, addicted to itself. To expose this false identity is the first step toward liberation. The second step is to become part of the Whole again. Our core problem is spiritual. What we lack is BEING. So who are we? It is obvious that politics doesn’t have the answer to this our existential crisis. Neither do the existing religions. To get out of the biggest crisis ever we have to go back to the Origin. This is our “discovery”: WE ARE COSMOS! We are part of society, society is part of the earth, the earth is part of the universe, the universe is part of the Eternal Light and the Eternal Light is part of Absolute Nothingness (“Cosmic Womb”). This inclusive Whole is our True Identity.

To put it bluntly: growth, profit, progress is suicidal. The answer is BALANCE on all levels of existence

The Way to restore Wholeness thus has to start with ourselves. Our motto is: “Healing yourself, Healing each other, Healing the World”. People all over the world are searching for meaning. They increasingly suffer from a society that only promotes narcissism. They feel isolated from their deeper Self, from nature and from the community. Hence we made WE ARE COSMOS the centre of our effort. With “The Great Learning” (China 400 BC) as a guideline (to begin with yourself, subsequently drawing concentric circles, including your family, the street, your friends, your colleagues, the neighbourhood, the commune etc.) our Movement will rapidly spread “to all directions”. You start small: there are PEOPLE (animals, plants) everywhere who can be saved. It means it will be very worthwhile to commit yourself to peace, healing, wholeness, trust, integrity, justice, community building and sustainability, EVEN if it is only for limited groups of people. You may compare this with the Dark Ages where monks founded monasteries (“Healing Communities”) and thus saved the culture. Similarly we consider ourselves as the seeds of a New World. You simply commit yourself because you are convinced of the “good cause”, regardless the result of your actions. Moreover, to work for concrete people, instead of “abstractions” like “society”, gives your work an absolute surplus value. Your driving force is compassion. Compassion is inclusive – like a mother who cares for her children – whether you work for believers or unbelievers, white people or foreigners, rich or poor. You are an instrument of the Cosmos. The Cosmos is the Bottomless Vessel of Regeneration. It is not us who can save the world, the Cosmos will. Our priority: to found “Healing Communities” around the world based on “We are Cosmos”. My whole heart is with our beautiful planet: people, animals, plants, mountains, rivers and clouds, alike. Heed the call of your own heart! People everywhere are searching for meaning, inner balance and community. We dearly need people who take the lead in

committing themselves to save the world. The only thing that you can lose is your ego! We already did a first step. Be welcome to our curriculum "Cosmic Leadership".

JOIN US!

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