

INTEGRAL VISION OF A SOCIO-ECONOMY OF SOLIDARITY

***Workshop on a Global
Vision of a SSE***

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INTEGRAL APPROACH

- **MICRO – CORE (COEUR):** Human Being (I-and-We): to overcome alienation **PHYSICAL-INTELLECTUAL-MENTAL-SPIRITUAL REVOLUTION – LOCAL Reference**
 - **MESO - SOCIALIZATION:** to overcome subordination, domination and exploitation **FROM SOCIAL REFORMS (EVOLUTION) TO CULTURAL-INSTITUTIONAL REVOLUTION**
 - **MACRO – PLANETIZATION:** to overcome imperial domination **FROM LOCAL TO GLOBAL REVOLUTION**
- = SOLIDARITY-BASED SOCIOECONOMY as an INTEGRAL, ORGANIC SYSTEM**

STRATEGY 1

RESEARCH – CRITIQUE – RESISTANCE

AN UNSUSTAINABLE WORLD IS IMPOSSIBLE!

- **COMPETITIVE GLOBALIZATION IS BEING REPLACED WITH:**
 - **OLIGOPOLY AND THE TOTAL MARKET**
 - **A NEW IMPERIAL PROJECT OF AMERIKA**
- **MULTIFRONT IMPERIAL OFFENSIVE : HURRICANE OF NEOLIBERAL GLOBALIZATION**
- **TRANSVERSAL AXIS: THE MANIQUEISTIC CULTURE OF UNIDIMENSIONAL THOUGHT AND ANTI-TERROR. PAN-MERCANTILISM AND THE DOGMA OF FREE TRADE AND THE SELF-REGULATED MARKET.**

CURRENT OUTCOMES:

- **SOVEREIGNTY STRANGLED;**
- **DEMOCRACY DISTORTED;**
- **POSSIBILITY OF A PEOPLE-MANAGED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT ELIMINATED.**

***HURRICANE* OF NEOLIBERAL GLOBALIZATION**

- 1. PROFOUND SOCIAL INEQUALITY: growth with unemployment (global)– obstacles to human globalization (migrations S-N) - exclusion**
- 2. EXTERNAL VULNERABILITY:**
 - i. VICIOUS CIRCLE OF UNPAYABLE FINANCIAL DEBT (over against social and ecological debt)
 - ii. IMF-WB GRIP OVER MACROECONOMIC POLICY – SAPs – “STATE REFORM”
 - iii. GROWING PRESENCE OF FOREIGN CAPITAL
 - iv. PRIVATIZATION WITH DENATIONALIZATION
 - v. TRADE LIBERALIZATION (WTO, FTAA NEGOTIATIONS...)
- 3. MILITARIZATION.**

STRATEGY 2

CONCEIVING DEEP REFORMS AND PRESSURING FOR THEM

REFORMS THAT PREPARE THE WAY FOR MUTATION

- **FROM CONTINUOUS CRITIQUE TO ELABORATION OF REFORMATION PATHS WITHIN THE DOMINANT SYSTEM**
- **PRESSURE ON CENTERS OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL POWER FOR NEW POLICIES AND PRACTICES – Regulations – SSE promotion policies**
- **WORK FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THOSE PROPOSALS AT GRASSROOTS LEVEL**

STRATEGY 3

CREATING THE NEW SYSTEM FROM INSIDE THE OLD

SSE FIELDS OF RESEARCH, ACTION AND EVALUATION

- IV. HUMAN/SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**
(Person-economy-society-environment)
- V. ETHICS** – (Principles, regulations and controls to achieve goals)
- VI. DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE** (decision-making - management - interconnection
Micro-meso-macro levels of governance)

I - HUMAN-SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

- **INTEGRAL** approach to the **H.BEING** –
 - Doing-Having-Being
 - Thinking-Feeling-Acting
 - Science-Art-Economy
- **INTEGRAL** approach to **Consumption-Production-Finance-Exchange SYSTEMS**
 - Material
 - Immaterial
- **INTEGRAL** approach to **WEALTH** – much broader than just material
- **INTEGRAL** approach to **GENDER**

II – ETHICS OF SOLIDARITY

- Building a Culture of **ABUNDANCE/ENOUGH** versus Scarcity
- Responsibility for the **WHOLE**, not only the part: **Rights and responsibilities**
- Equitable trade for **CONSIDERATE OR CARING** consumption
- **SOLIDARITY**: a community of destiny among ourselves and with the environment.

III - DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE

- **SOLIDARITY-BASED DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE implies:**

- **SUBSIDIARITY**

- MICRO (family-community-enterprise),
- MESO (networks),
- MACRO (government and Intl agencies)

- **SHARING OF KNOWLEDGE AND POWER** to take decisions:

- **EMPOWERMENT (Building power from within): PRAXIS EDUCATION FOR SELF-RELIANCE AND SOLIDARITY**

- **SOCIALLY-AGREED RULES AND PROCEDURES** aimed at regulating the exchanges between people, society and ecosystems.

- **BROAD CONSENSUS** based on **A SHARED VISION** to be built in **GRASSROOTS LEVEL ASSEMBLIES**.

- **THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE.**

SSE: POLITICAL DEMOCRACY IS FREEDOM

**DEMOCRACY IS RELATED TO THE DEGREE OF
SUBSTANTIAL FREEDOMS ACHIEVED BY
SOCIETY:**

● POLITICAL FREEDOMS:

- **OPINION AND DECISION MAKING: OVERCOMING HIERARCHY**
- **VOTE (NOT AS A BLANK CHECK): ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP**
- **INFORMATION-COMMUNICATION: DISCERNMENT, DIALOGUE**
- **PERIODIC ASSESSMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES**
- **OTHER CIVIC EXPRESSIONS: PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLIES, PLEBISCITES, REFERENDUMS, ...**
- **CIVIL SOCIETY EMPOWERED TO BE THE MAIN AGENT OF DEVELOPMENT – STATE AND PRIVATE SECTORS TO SERVE HUMAN-SOCIAL NEEDS AND ASPIRATIONS.**

SSE: ECONOMIC DEMOCRACY IS FREEDOM

- **ECONOMIC FREEDOMS:**
 - **GUARANTEE OF SURVIVAL AND SECURITY**
 - **RIGHT TO OWN AND MANAGE PRODUCTIVE ASSETS IN PROPORTION TO WORK**
 - **TIME AVAILABLE TO DEVELOP UPPER HUMAN POTENTIALS**
 - **EFFECTIVE ACCESS TO RESOURCES, LAND, CREDIT, PURCHASING POWER.**
 - **MONEY CREATED BY THE PEOPLE UNDER PEOPLE'S CONTROL BY THE THE PEOPLE**
 - **NATIONAL FINANCIAL SOVEREIGNTY – CONDITION FOR SOVEREIGN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

SSE: CULTURAL DEMOCRACY IS FREEDOM

- **CULTURAL FREEDOMS:**
 - **PLURALITY: RESPECT UNIQUENESS OF EACH PERSON, COMMUNITY, PEOPLE**
 - **CO-RESPONSIBILITY IN PROPORTION TO EACH AGENT'S POWER: MAXIMIZE COMPLEMENTARITY TO ACHIEVE EQUITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE WELL BEING FOR ALL HUMANS AND ALL FORMS OF LIFE**
 - **SOLIDARITY: DEVELOP FLEXIBLE, CREATIVE FORMS OF BUILDING UNITY IN DIVERSITY**

SSE: INTEGRAL EFFICIENCY...

- **SSE STRIVES FOR INTEGRAL EFFICIENCY:**
 - **DEVELOPMENT PLANNING IN ORDER TO INCREASE CONTINUALLY POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL FREEDOMS**
 - **ECONOMIC AGENTS (family, community, enterprise, State) ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR UNIT AND AT THE SAME TIME FOR THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFICACY OF THE WHOLE SYSTEM (INTEGRAL BENEFITS AND FULL COSTS).**

...AND INTEGRAL INDICATORS

● SSE INDICATORS

- **HELP BUILD A VISION OF SSE AS AN INTEGRAL NEW SYSTEM**
- **HELP MAKE VISIBLE THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ECOLOGICAL RESULTS OF SSE ACTIVITIES**
- **SUPPORT THE DIALOGUE WITH VARIOUS LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT AND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES**
- **STRENGTHEN INTERNAL DYNAMICS AND SSE CAPACITY TO NEGOTIATE WITH EXTERNAL AGENTS.**