

Europe's Contribution

Germany's Civil Rights Solidarity Movement (BüSo), chaired by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, recently produced a two-part German-language video titled "The Coming Eurasian World: The Worldwide Land-Bridge," which is available at <http://www.bueso.de>. It presents the broad sweep of development projects proposed by Lyndon LaRouche going back 40 years, to the Oasis Project for the Middle East, and by Zepp-LaRouche, beginning with her "European Productive Triangle" proposal in 1990, the forerunner of the Eurasian Land-Bridge proposal.

Although the video has a global focus, for purposes of this *Feature*, we briefly summarize only the sections pertaining to Europe. A longer report will appear in the future.

First, the video motivates the very idea of the need for economic development programs. Most people today, especially in Green-dominated Germany, have opinions no better than those of the Hari Krishna cult, which argues that everything, from the floods in Pakistan, to the destruction in Haiti is the fault of "climate change." This, however, is absurd, because floods and other natural catastrophes have been with us throughout the Earth's history. And our relation to these catastrophes, has everything to do with our level of economic development. In Los Angeles, for example, the 1994 earthquake resulted in relatively few casualties, even though the earthquake there was almost as strong as the one in Haiti. But only 57 died in Los Angeles, while hundreds of thousands died in Haiti.

But unless the crisis is reversed, we will be ill equipped for future disasters. There is massive destruction of fire and rescue services in U.S. communities, and the same is going on in Germany, with massive layoffs of police in Saxony, for example. In Saxony's rural areas, an on-duty policeman has become as rare as a UFO, and in many parts of Germany, police now take up to four hours to respond to a call for help. The total investment backlog in Germany is at least EU1 trillion.

FIGURE 1



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'Platforms' for Development

Lyndon LaRouche, in an interview filmed in Germany, develops his concept of "platforms" of development, taking mankind from one level of technology and culture to the next. For example, the European canal system envisioned by Charlemagne was a step to a higher platform than previous maritime cultures. Then we went from river and canal systems, to rail systems, which became continental. Now we're talking about intercontinental rail systems, such as the Bering Strait tunnel. Such things require a fresh look at what progress really means, and what we must do to ensure humanity's well-being into the future.

When the Berlin Wall fell in 1989, Helga Zepp-LaRouche was the the only political figure who was prepared to act. Her husband's October 1988 address in Berlin forecast the collapse of the East bloc and Germany's reunification. It was clear that a joint East-West program of development would become possible. With Germany's reunification in 1990, Zepp-LaRouche declared that a golden moment in history had arrived, and should be seized immediately.

In January 1990, the Schiller Institute published a pamphlet, "The 'Productive Triangle Paris-Berlin-Vienna': A European Economic Miracle as Motor for the World Economy." The proposal was addressed specifically to Germany's Chancellor Helmut Kohl. Zepp-LaRouche wrote: "I recommend the enclosed study for your attention. It contains a proposal for a comprehensive European infrastructure program, as the precondition



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Helga Zepp-LaRouche addresses a BüSo campaign event in Dresden, Germany, Sept. 26, 2009, during her campaign for Chancellor.

tion for the economic reconstruction of eastern Europe. This proposal was elaborated by my husband, Lyndon LaRouche, and proceeds from the idea that only such an economic development program, which also incorporates a Soviet Union wracked by a deep economic crisis, can constitute an effective policy for the preservation of peace.”

Many German ministries sent thanks for the proposal, and promised to study it. Zepp-LaRouche campaigned all over eastern and western Germany, to put the plan onto the agenda. Medium-sized and large industrial firms greeted the program enthusiastically—however, they said, the State must take the lead. Chancellor Kohl, however, gave in to pressure from France’s François Mitterrand and Britain’s Margaret Thatcher, and agreed to the early replacement of the deutschmark with the euro, as the price for Germany’s reunification. With the assassinations of Alfred Herrhausen and Detlev Rohwedder, both of whom had committed themselves to developing eastern Germany’s and eastern Europe’s industry, the pressure on Kohl reached a high point.

With the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991, the Schiller Institute expanded the scope of Zepp-LaRouche’s program. This was the birth of the Eurasian Land-Bridge. Over the following years, Mrs. LaRouche was active worldwide as an advocate for her

plan, at hundreds of conferences and seminars, bringing together high-ranking participants from every continent.

Which Way Will Germany Go?

Unfortunately, today, Germany and Europe have increasingly distanced themselves from the concept of “peace through development,” and have succumbed to high-risk financial speculation and radical ecologism, and the resulting destruction of the real economy. And it is revealing to note that most of the so-called grassroots ecology organizations are financed by the same hedge funds which have helped bring the crisis about.

But a large majority of the world’s nations want exactly what the LaRouches are proposing. And the irony is that many of the required technologies come from Germany itself, which makes high-quality machinery which is exported, but not used at home, due to ecologist opposition. But millions of new, productive jobs could be created in Germany with the inherently safe high-temperature reactor, the closed-cycle fast breeder, and the Transrapid maglev.

Does Germany really want time to stand still? Does Germany really want to become a giant museum, whose days as a great industrial power are numbered? Helga Zepp-LaRouche answers, in a clip from a recent public address, that you have to examine yourself for how many axioms of globalization you are carrying around within you. You have to find your internal computer “delete” key, and say you’re going to throw all this rot out. And then you have to ask yourself what you’re doing with your soul. You have to ask, “What’s wrong with me, that up to now, I haven’t stood up and said that it’s simply inhuman when thousands upon thousands of Africans die in flooding that isn’t even mentioned in the newspapers?” Because without taking this step, we won’t make it. And once the rot has been thrown out, we must develop a passionate love for humanity; and this can be learned, too. I’m totally optimistic about humanity’s future, she declared.

—John Sigerson

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LYNDON LAROCHE— LEARN FROM NAWAPA: MIND OR BODY?

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- **NAWAPA: "The Next Evolutionary Step for the Human Species,"** a Basement Team Roundtable, EIR, Aug. 27, 2010
- **"Learn from NAWAPA: Mind or Body?"** by Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., EIR, Aug. 20, 2010
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