

LaRouche Spokesman Dennis Small Addresses Russian Zinoviev Conference

Oct. 28—The 5th International Zinoviev Readings, a conference held Oct. 27 in Moscow, was enriched by the live videoconference participation of *EIR*'s Dennis Small, keynoting the final panel, and representing Lyndon LaRouche, who had been invited to address the gathering. The overall title of this year's Zinoviev Readings was "The Russian Tragedy and the Russian Dream"; Panel 3 was on "The Philosophy of Realism: History, Policies, Economics, and Culture."

The event honored the Russian philosopher, World War II fighter pilot, and social activist Alexander Zinoviev (1922-2006), who was expelled from the USSR in 1978 for his writings, such as his satirical novel about Soviet society, *The Yawning Heights*. Though dubbed a "dissident," Zinoviev rejected that label. Living in exile in Germany, he criticized the way society is organized in the West, and especially blasted the "Gorbymania"—Western infatuation with Mikhail Gorbachov's perestroika reforms—in the 1980s. As the disastrous shock-therapy economic policy came down in the early 1990s, Zinoviev famously said, "They opened fire against Communism, but they shot Russia." He and his wife, Olga Zinoviev, returned to Russia permanently in 1999, after, and because of, NATO's bombing of Yugoslavia. Zinoviev spent his last years at Moscow State University, studying globalization.

Olga Zinoviev today heads the Alexander Zinoviev Biographical Institute. She has been active within the United Russia party organization, President Putin's political base, while also being an outspoken campaigner against the persistence of "Wall Street" rules within Russian economic policy. Mrs. Zinoviev first organized the Zinoviev Readings some years ago. This year's event took place on an expanded scale, based on the recent formation of a Zinoviev Club, co-chaired by Mrs. Zinoviev and Dmitri Kiselyov, the well-known anchorman of the Sunday night news review on RTR Vesti state television, and also the head of Rossiya Segodnya—the new name of the Russian Information Agency (RIA) Novosti. The Oct. 27



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conference was held at the main Rossiya Segodnya auditorium in Moscow.

Kiselyov opened the event, saying that while *The Russian Tragedy* was the title of one of Zinoviev's books, "the Russian dream" meant the search for a mission, as the Russian intelligentsia continues to recover from the "comprador" onslaught of George Soros "and hundreds of NGOs," two decades ago.

Introducing Small, Zinoviev Club representative and Panel 3 moderator Dr. Iskander Valitov referred to the search for valid knowledge in the current "acute situation of confrontation and rivalry." Citing Zinoviev's commitment to "build and obtain knowledge," Valitov went on to say that "the position of the researcher who finds and constructs knowledge about society, and then publishes it, in today's world is a position requiring

great courage. But, we only have a chance to survive, if we can find out the truth about ourselves and how everything is organized. And so I would like to give the floor to Dennis Small, a disciple of Lyndon LaRouche. Lyndon LaRouche is someone well known and respected in Russia. He is one of those scholars who is uncompromising, and has experienced a difficult fate, who takes his stand on such positions of knowledge, and does not fear to speak the truth.”

Small’s presentation, “The Philosophy Required To Stop the New Dark Age Now Threatening Mankind,” is printed immediately below.

Thanking Small for his speech, Valitov sent best wishes to LaRouche. Olga Zinoviev then added warm words of appreciation, saying, “When my husband and I signed a letter in support of you, I could hardly have imagined, that at some time we would see each other, in such an unusual way. And now you see, it didn’t even take 50 years—and we have met! So, one does need to be able to dream. Please convey my most heartfelt greetings to Mr. LaRouche, and appreciation of his steadfastness, and the firmness and consistency of his position. Very great thanks to his wife, Helga Zepp-LaRouche, as well.”

The Zinoviev Readings received significant media coverage, particularly the morning session, at which Olga Zinoviev announced that the A. Zinoviev Biographical Institute’s annual award would go to Edward Snowden, for being “the most free person in the world.”

The Philosophy Needed To Stop a New Dark Age

by Dennis Small

I would like to thank the conference organizers for their kind invitation to Mr. Lyndon LaRouche to address you.¹ I am honored to represent him on this occasion, especially having learned that in the late 1980s, when Mr. LaRouche was a political prisoner of the Bush, Sr. regime in the USA, and I with him, Alexander Zinoviev

and Olga Zinoviev signed a public statement in support of us.

The proceedings of today’s conference take on a special urgency in light of the current existential crisis facing humanity. Never since the devastating Black Death of the 14th Century, which destroyed nearly half the population of Europe, has humanity been so close to bringing about its own extinction, as a result of ignoring the lessons of history, of bad politics, very bad economics, and even worse philosophy and culture. The United States and Europe are today dominated by a utilitarian, reductionist, Aristotelian philosophical outlook more worthy of beasts, than of the willfully creative species that is mankind.

And as with the New Dark Age of the 14th Century, nothing less than a total paradigm shift to a new Classical Renaissance in science and culture can pull humanity back from the brink today.

As we speak, the very structure of civilization is breaking apart, especially in the trans-Atlantic sector of the world economy. As was stated in the final declaration of the 30th anniversary conference of the Schiller Institute, founded by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, held in Frankfurt, Germany, Oct. 18-19, 2014:

“First, there is the Ebola pandemic, which is already out of control in Africa, for which there is no cure, and which is threatening to become more threatening than the Black Death of the 14th Century.

“Second, there is the terrorist threat for the whole world, and genocide spreading from the so-called IS Caliphate, not only demonstrating a subhuman barbarism, but explicitly threatening Russia and China, and therefore, becoming the potential trigger to blow up all of Southwest Asia, and even leading to a new world war.

“And third, there is the absolute certainty that the completely bankrupt trans-Atlantic financial system is about to blow up, threatening also to throw much of the world into a Dark Age.

“In light of these three mortal dangers, it is a question of life and death of humanity to stop the immoral and imbecilic policies of geopolitics and confrontation against Russia and China. Instead, we have to shift the agenda to the common aims of mankind, and work together with Russia, China, India, and other nations, to defeat these mortal threats.”

The Philosophical Issues

To bring what I consider the central philosophical issues into proper focus, I will first address two as-

1. Small’s speech, titled, “The Philosophy Required To Stop the New Dark Age Now Threatening Mankind,” was delivered by live videoconference, to the Zinoviev Readings Conference in Moscow, Oct. 27.

pects of the current Ebola crisis which are often overlooked.

First, the raging Ebola epidemic is the result of the intentional policy of the British Empire and its Wall Street allies, to bring about a massive depopulation of the planet, from today's 7 billion people to less than 1 billion. This has been stated explicitly by, among others, the consort of Britain's Queen Elizabeth, Prince Philip, the founder of the radically Malthusian World Wildlife Fund (WWF):

"In the event that I am reincarnated, I would like to return as a deadly virus, in order to contribute something to solve overpopulation."

That was an echo of the view expounded by the notorious British philosopher Bertrand Russell, who wrote in 1952: "War has hitherto been disappointing in this respect [as a method of population control—ed.], but perhaps bacteriological war may prove effective. If a Black Death could spread throughout the world once in every generation, survivors could procreate freely without making the world too full."

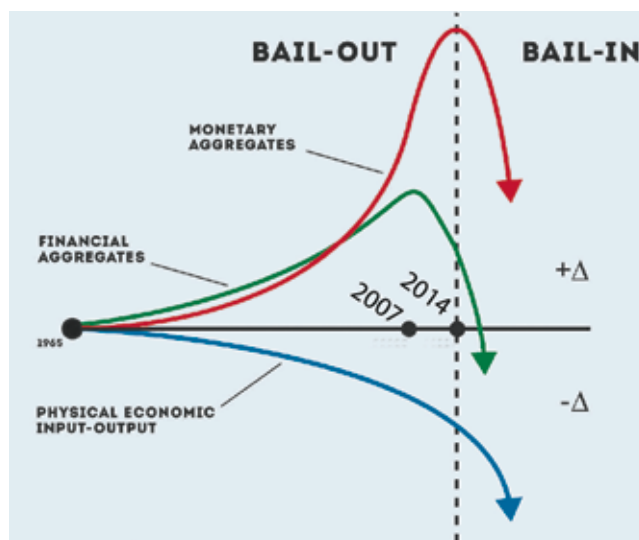
Russell, whom LaRouche has called the most evil man of the 20th Century, is also famous for calling for preemptive nuclear war against the Soviet Union, and for attempting to demonstrate, in his radically incompetent *Principia Mathematica*, that physics can be reduced to mere mathematics, and that creative human thinking does not actually exist.

Both Prince Philip and Bertrand Russell were echoing the outlook expressed by Thomas Malthus in 1791: "In our towns we should make the streets narrower, crowd more people into the houses, and court the return of the plague."

That is precisely what the policies of the IMF, Wall Street, and the City of London are doing today. Their imposition of drastic austerity to try to sustain a cancerous speculative financial bubble which today approaches \$2 quadrillion, is responsible for the conditions of hunger, malnutrition, and overall physical economic collapse which are the breeding ground for the

FIGURE 1

Triple Curve Collapse Function



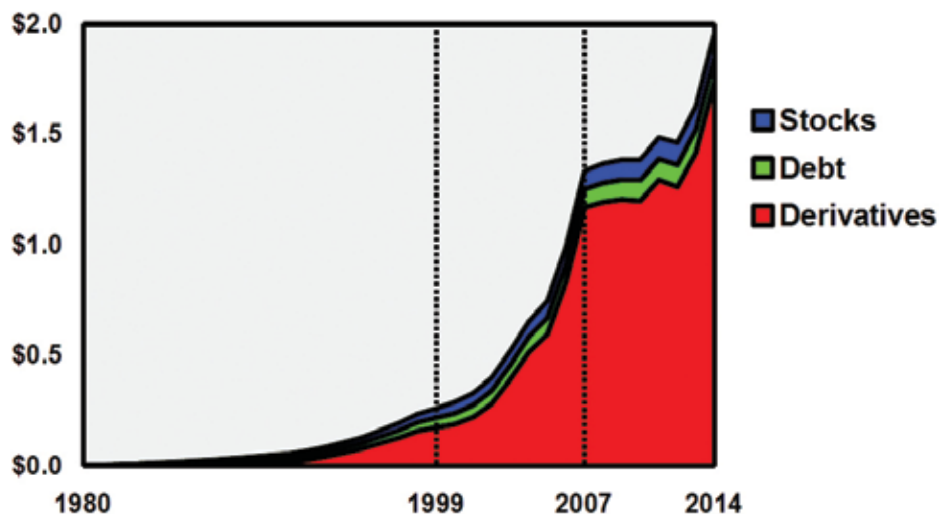
pandemics now spreading from Africa across the globe.

Consider LaRouche's pedagogical graphic, the Triple Curve, or Typical Collapse Function, which describes today's economic breakdown crisis (**Figure 1**). As financial and monetary aggregates soar hyperbolically, physical-economic output has been collapsing. At a certain point, the entire system implodes in a hyperinflationary blowout. As can be seen here (**Figure 2**), the

FIGURE 2

World Financial Aggregates

(quadrillions of dollars)



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actual level of financial aggregates is soaring towards \$2 quadrillion. The current policies in the trans-Atlantic banking sector are only making things worse.

Second, the Ebola crisis means that we face a situation that the great Vladimir Vernadsky would have well understood: Mankind's failure to continue the development of the noösphere through creative discoveries and their application, is allowing the biosphere to be progressively taken over by inferior forms of life, such as the Ebola virus.

Reversing this requires a reassertion of scientific and cultural creativity on a planetary scale, which in economics is expressed by great infrastructure projects, such as China's New Silk Road; LaRouche's World Land-Bridge, including the Bering Strait tunnel; and above all, by a commitment to dramatically increase the energy-flux density of all economic activity, by a leap to a new technological platform, especially in the domain of energy, or power—specifically, controlled thermonuclear fusion power.

Fusion power is the next required stage for Man's future; and the ideal fuel for fusion reactors—helium-3—is available in plentiful supply on the Moon. Thus, the global, strategic significance of China's and Russia's lunar exploration and mining perspective, as well as the overall commitment to such a development policy emerging from the BRICS countries and allied nations such as Argentina and Egypt.

It will also be necessary to organize a new international financial system to finance such activity, replacing the bankrupt IMF system with a return to Glass-Steagall banking separation, and credit systems based on the ideas of Alexander Hamilton, which are capable of generating the needed volumes of productive credit for these goals. The British liberal dogmas of globalization and free trade must be buried—before they bury us.

The Shift Required

But all of that is the easy part.

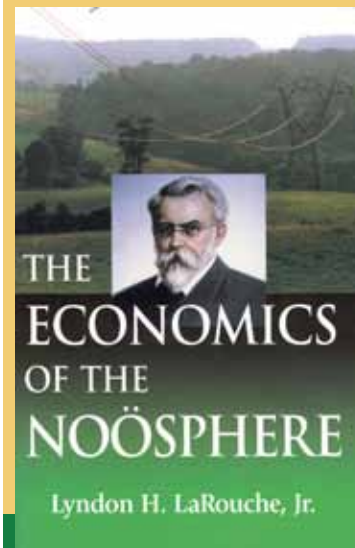
In the 14th Century, the New Dark Age was reversed only by a Golden Renaissance in thinking, which replaced the pessimism of both the hedonists and the Flagellants of the day, with the optimism of a scientific outlook spawned by such great thinkers as Nicholas of Cusa and Johannes Kepler.

Cusa demonstrated that the human mind is not characterized by mere sense-perception, but is capable of

forming concepts that correspond to the actual causality of the physical universe of which Man is a part—a causality which is non-linear (or non-mathematical) and anti-entropic, like Man's mind itself. That willful creativity distinguishes Man from every lower form of animal life, and enables him to know, act upon, and create his own future. As Cusa put it: "Mind is a living substance. . . . Its function in this body is to give it life, and because of this it is called soul. Mind is a substantial form of power."

Man is the only species that continually discovers new universal physical principles, and thus increases the productive powers of labor by these new ideas. Where other animal species face a fixed upper limit to their potential population density per square kilometer, Man faces no such "limits to growth"—the mathematical lies of the Club of Rome notwithstanding.

Thus the essential science that must be mastered again today, if we are to avoid a New Dark Age which may mean the extinction of our species, is the Science of the Human Mind, the science of human creativity per se.



The scientific concepts of biogeochemist Vladimir Vernadsky—the initiator of the idea of the Biosphere—whose concept of the “Noösphere,” has been cited and further developed by Lyndon LaRouche.

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