



10 Revolutions for 100 Years

Opening Remarks of the Editor-in-Chief

"**S**tability" has quietly evolved into the concept of "Idol". Development goals in many countries are to achieve some or other stability: financial, economic, political, demographic, etc. And stability is really important for the existence of society, for the inheritance of cultural traditions, building life strategies, for trust between people, for long-term investments, for security, for many things.

However, we understand that stability like a golden age has remained in the past, if it were once at all. Perhaps stability seemed and seems only a short period of history, though it takes effort to find such gap. We live and we will live in times of instability, in times of changes. So we are extremely lucky. Shaking, shocking, and changing the very foundations of the current world order, a world view of new generations. However, many problems, challenges, difficulties, crises we receive, such is human nature, as if each time anew as children, although many centuries ago, the actual words ever spoken about changes, about life in general.

A few grand revolutions are programmed for the coming century. Some of them are worth special mention.

First — this is a revolution of the "end of the world". Humanity periodically tends to experience a strong sense of the last frontier. And today, many people and their communities feel close perspective of some global cataclysm in the future as quite of

common life and significantly important. From such a worldview it can follow quite cynical behavior whether there is a lot of sense in the long-term self-improvement, care about trust, reputation, if the end of the world comes in a moment? Meanwhile, the category of cyclicity in Chinese philosophy of time, the theme of salvation in Christian eschatology allows us to find useful answers to the present day. But the relationship secrets of earthly and heavenly, mortal and immortal, substance, energy, matter, information — all this can revolutionize the consciousness of the Earthmen in the 21st century.

The second revolution is brewing in neurogenetics. Scientific facts are sometimes more impressive than science fiction. That is produced by modern science the fact of existence in the brain of every person a “matrix of standards” prescribing to man, originally based on his nature, to behave in solidarity, right, and elevated. There is not only the matrix of standards, but also an “error detector” which teaches man to the right path. In the coming century, longing for immortality or a very long and healthy life, more and more Earthmen will understand neurogenetic bases of the right way of life.

The third revolution is information. It is also the fourth. Exponentially leaped the graphics of perfection of information systems, their reliability and performance. And while this exponent shows no signs of falling off. Following the technological progress — the expansion of the Internet and social networks that revolutionize society. The “Arab Spring”, noisy, fanciful, bloody, rooting, certainly in violations of justice, is catalyzed and maintained in its logistics exactly social networks and the new generation of telecommunications.

Self-organized, spontaneous resort to the facilities of Internet, with an inconspicuous cyber-service of mega-corporations leads to enormous social disruptions. Revolutionary piquancy of the situation is also in the fact that the purpose of these mysterious players may not even be selfish but experimental. After all, Chernobyl, and Pol Pot’s Cambodia is a consequence of experiments. The German fascism is also a consequence of the experiment. This row can easily be continued.

The fifth revolution is a new great migration. Hundreds of millions of people each year change their place of residence. Within their states and crossing their borders. This is neither good nor bad, it is natural. As nature. In it any thickening of substances, especially live, violating fundamental natural balances exceeding the loads (on the soil, atmosphere, water), lead to the forced adjustment by force majeure. And before the face of floods and earthquakes, hurricanes, volcanic eruptions, desertification, epidemics, shocks, human conflict is a trifle, isn’t it?

The sixth revolution is economic. Category GDP has long since become an idol no less victim-loving than “stability.” The main victim of GDP is growing consumption of non-renewable resources for the universal equivalent that has become an idol too. The most irreplaceable resource is human life on the earth. The dream of spiritual emancipation, of overcoming the alienation of man from other people, from culture, creativity, from himself though has lost its former inspiring gloss, but has not disappeared at all. And this dream now undermines the apprising dictate of traditional idols – progress measurers. It strengthens the movement in favor of integrated reporting, taking into account

not only the financial results of economy, but also environmental and social. The UN measurement system is being improved, applying new indicators of “happiness”, “net welfare”, “achieving the Millennium Goals”, etc. Soon these practices will gain enough strength and will press the entrenched economic determinism, leaving it an auxiliary status. This will be a revolutionary change for systems of administration, education and business.

The seventh revolution will be carried out by bankers and financiers. They have accumulated vast experience in it. They will do this at least for reasons of utilizing experience as a valuable asset. It should not disappear!

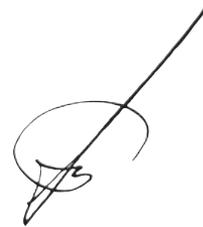
The eighth revolution has already manifested its pace and slogans. Transparency. In All. For all. One after another, the bastions and redoubts of mysteries, enigmas, curtains and shelters surrender to such winner. The issue of today is rather how, when, and to what extent successfully counterrevolution of new classification will unfold, protection of personal and other data.

The ninth revolution will take place in the military — technological complex. By the importance it can be compared with the appearance of tanks, toxic substances, armored trains, automatic guns, airplanes,

and submarines in the First World War and intercontinental ballistic missiles and nuclear weapons — after World War II. Military technologies are becoming more precise, unnoticeable, efficient, terrible and unimaginable.

As for the tenth revolution there are several contenders to it. One more influential than other. And they are intertwined with each other in a tangle as the previous nine.

Untangling these tangles, looking for ways out from the deadlocks and labyrinths, revolutions and counter-revolutions, rising to the heights of noosphere — the work and joy will be enough for 100 years, and a thousand and ten thousand years. But the longest journey always begins with the first steps. When there is the one hundred year plan, the way is easier, more intelligent and humane.



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