

Machine versus man

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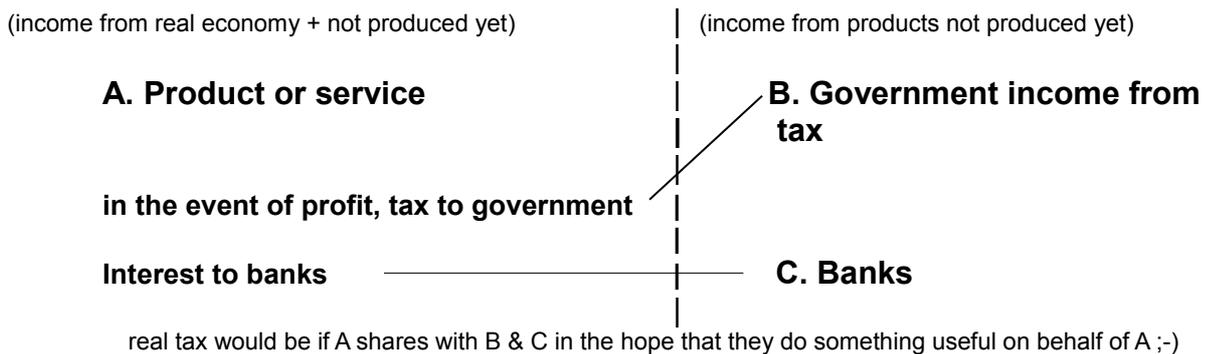
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The *machine* stands for the translation of the real economy into a world of figures and numbers. Because we have given this translation a value in itself, it has over time become more important than the real economy.

The economy is split up into a real economy and an arithmetic variety, a functional accounting system as a mirror image of the real economy. This accounting system gives an insight into and a grip on what is going on in the real economy. If you look at accounting from this angle, it seems to me to be a very useful and indispensable tool. But what if we give this accounting system a value in itself? Then that is exactly the moment at which it is separated from the *real economy*. This is easy to overcome by having the bookkeeper share and participate in the real economy so that the accounting system remains part of the actual economy and does not separate itself from it.

What is happening today!? A company makes a product or delivers a service, sells it and then checks the accounts to see if it's made a profit or a loss. If a profit has been made, it's normal to pay tax on this. The initial idea behind this will hopefully need no explaining, and in terms of its intention, I can well understand it. But to understand this petition it is essential to realise what it is we are actually doing here and that this ultimately goes against the original intention.



The reality is, of course, more complicated than outlined above, but it does show the basic mechanisms of the bureaucratic machine. The rest can largely be extrapolated from that. Here, government, banks and people in general break away from the real economy to become the guards and the executors of a *bureaucratising added value machine*, thus creating two economy streams: one of products and services and one of bureaucratized purchasing power. As a result, we have trapped ourselves into believing that we can live from what has in actual fact not yet been produced. And to keep that belief alive we have to go on growing and making profit without asking ourselves what source has to keep supplying all this. Because of this, the economy is no longer a joint project but one of "insiders" and "outsiders". This has created the *mother of all confusion* because what is this really about? The production of goods and services for society or our belief in the bureaucratizing added value? As a result of which we have to go on *making profit and growing* without asking ourselves what the consequences are? To exist, profit needs boundaries, it comes from "outside", the blind and, to an important degree, still unconscious part of our economic science. This is to the detriment of reason and the constitutional state because we have unwittingly started believing in a bureaucratic illusion. For those of you who hadn't realised, illusions can't be managed or controlled.

And that's when *the really confrontational question pops up*: What role do people, the individual in this whole, have today?

Are we but insignificant cogs in a big machine? A machine whose most important objective is to produce money, to grow and to make profit? Can we use this money to resolve social problems both at a national and an international level?

Source: Letter to the Tax and Customs
Administration of 6 November 2006

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Do we do something today because we are intrinsically convinced of it or because we are extrinsically rewarded for it, or want to be?

As long as we deceive ourselves that there is more than “the apple”, we are fooling ourselves and others, and in public debates we will endlessly go on talking at cross purposes about something that doesn't exist. For example in a creative advertising campaign. ;-) Because we have unconsciously created a context for ourselves that we can live from what has not yet been produced, at least as long as we go on believing this. Similar to a chain letter or the Ponzi scheme. We will have to learn to deal with what's there, and then in that sense every contribution will be “pure profit”. But the psychologically difficult message is that there is no more than what we have actually contributed. Otherwise we will have to go on endlessly pumping paper “debt” into the economy so we can go on making paper “profit”. A never-ending story as the following shows:

Banks rake in 80% of Greek aid

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19 per cent of the 130 billion euros in aid goes to the Greeks and the rest to the banks.

“Where are the 130 billion euros in aid for Greece going to?” The answer of Die Gazette is clear: financial institutions outside Greece will get 40%, Greek banks 23%, and the European Central Bank 18%. The remaining 19% will be used to finance expenditure in Greece itself.

In other words, over 80% of the rescue package will go to creditors, i.e. banks outside Greece, and the ECB. The tax billions will not save Greece, they'll save the banks.

Moreover, Die Gazette believes that it is an “illusion” to want to lower the national debt from 160 to 120% of GDP.

Source: <http://www.360mag.nl/in-het-nieuws/544-banken-strijken-80-van-hulp-griekenland-op>

We are trying to find a solution in a vacuum without having joint roots and contexts in ourselves or in society. It is perhaps a frightening thought for administrators but we should once again be placing people themselves at the centre instead of pumping endless amounts of money into society in order to uphold the belief in the illusory system. That this can't be done overnight would seem obvious to me!!!!!!

It is because of our binary economic thoughts and actions that we have got lost in what you could call “terror rating lists”. *Oh, things are bad in Greece so we're doing much better* – thus we conveniently ignore the fundamental injustice that is taking place in the Netherlands and in Greece.