

Antenarrating our economy

During the years of 2008-2009 and maybe longer, our economies are facing what is called an economical crisis. Whether there actually is a crisis is something that could be answered yes or no depending on perspectives, but fact is that global economies are running worse than in the years of 2007 and before.

What I want to explain here is the fact that economists and governments are largely misunderstanding what is going on in economies, and more specifically also what is going on in current situations being what they call the crisis of 2008. This misunderstandings being the main source for the crisis, but also the main source for actually taking wrong actions leading to maintenance of current situation and even making the situation even worse. The way to get out of this situation is understanding. Something that economists are lacking till now, because of wrong perspectives on economies as such.

One of the main if not the main problem leading to this misunderstandings is a problem that can be found throughout whole of social sciences and practises, being wrong understandings about the underlying structures of our universes. David Bohm would call it implicit and explicit order, but also he did not fully understand the importance of this notions.

The presumed underlying structure of Economics is currently the structure of mathematics. But, this is not correct. Leading to wrong perspectives and understandings. And, more important, this structure and the tools of economics are applied to specific situations while the situations themselves are not firstly understood to the fullest. Of course, each situation is different. And, this differences can have major implications.

The most interesting understandings on economies actually can take place after you understand what I am telling here. What is needed first, is UNDERSTANDING. Understandings based on a right methodology based on the right structures and understandings of our universes. I myself analyzed and am still analyzing the current economical situations, and based on this methodologies aimed at better understandings I arrive at a whole other perspective and understanding of our economies. And also it gives the really one needed solution....but more about that later.

For now I need to say that this text will grow still while my understandings grow. Meaning that this representamen, this text, will be updated while my own understandings but most important my understandings about how and where to communicate my points grow.

The current economical crisis can be analyzed and viewed through different perspectives. Some of them are good, some of them are bad. And, like with everything, there are more excellent ways to analyze and therefore understand.

During the last couple of years I have been working on a PhD to be completed hopefully soon. The subject of it being social sciences in general. The understandings reflected in it should have their impact on the way social sciences are practised. It should mean a paradigm shift having its impacts both on social sciences in general, but also on social practises. Along the lines of Bent Flyvbjerg's making social science matter. But the difference is that although I also want to make social sciences matter, I do so with much more entelychistic and great insights. Enabling social sciences to make huge steps ahead in the next decades.

Each complex matter under consideration has content and it's nature and then the context. Each of these are important to UNDERSTAND, of course. Economists and governments till now do not really understand specific aspects of our economies. The fact this crisis is there and also the fact that governments do not really know how to handle it does proof it.

What is needed now, is that these economists and governments keep listening to other perspectives. Since these other perspectives can and will offer the solution to current situation. And actually MY perspective and solution can offer great ones, for those who understand.

With regards to the economical crisis, fact is that we are working with some system. This system is the system of money as we have set it up in current times. Fact is, that this system is not in line with the true sole structure of our universes, which is the structure of multiplural holoplural interconnectedness. Meaning that our whole universes as such consist of assemblages of plursigns/entities being either not linked with each other or linked with each other to certain extends and in certain ways. In each case this links have a certain nature and structure. And, the assemblages of these plurisigns can and will change over time. Although of course, restrictions both real and perceptual cause a lot of assemblages and re-assemblages not to be able or to happen.

In past decades this sole true structure of our universes has been understood in incorrect ways. Meaning that in general anotherness structure was perceived and in only some cases the structure was understood but then each time only partly. Anotherness perspectives resulting in wrong theories and practises. Leading to the fact that not only wrong understandings and theories are still mainstream in about every social science as such, but also in our society at large. These also lead to wrong perspectives. People concentrating on irrelevant or less relevant issues, without realizing or seeing what is really going on and the most relevant to change.

Really each economist but also really each government does not understand what economics really is. The underlying structure of it and the resulting logic about how to deal with economics. This is something that is really simple in fact if only you get the understandings. Something I will explain in the rest of this writing.

So, we got economics. I will explain here in very simple ways what our economies actually are. By comparing it with an engine. As most technicians but also about every other person will know, an engine needs fuel to run. If it does not have enough fuel, it will not run. But, the economic engine is a very special one. For at least two reasons. The first one being that within the engine there are all kind of entities. And these smaller entities all the time absorb parts of the total amount of fuel in the engine. Then give it back at a certain period of time. Or not. In case they absorb more of the money less is there for the rest of the entities to use. This entities themselves have 2 special characteristics, being 1) the fact that they grow and grow and grow and 2) the fact that they are very creative.

This creativeness has been good. But in some senses it did cover the problems of the economical system for some years. This problems sometimes manifest themselves through crisis. Then the creativeness and inventiveness of people does help them to solve this for a while, but after some period of time there is another crisis. And the general causes of it are of a whole other character than most people will and would understand. At this moment of time, the year of 2009, the current crisis is much more bad than the one of some years ago. And it will become even more bad the next time, if only there will be a next time. For several reasons, which is something I hope you will understand after reading the rest of my antenarrative.

With regards of nature, it is very interesting and worthwhile to consider both the nature of the economic system and the nature of people. Taking the sole true structure of our universes into considerations.

Fact is, that the structure of our economic system is NOT in line with the sole true structure of our universes. This is a first problem of our economic system. The other problem being that the nature of our economic system is mostly misunderstood, leading to most of the current problems. Then another problem is that the people, entities, within the economic system are slowly approaching a way of doing based on the sole true structure of our universes. This can however only proceed in case our economic system is also adjusted to this sole true structure of our universes. Not being a closed system but an open system. Not being based on universals, but on plurals. Plural holoplurality. And flexibility. But most of all, understanding.

Our economic system is not in line with the sole true structure of our universes because of the perceptions being realities, the rules of the economic game as they are agreed upon by the several governments. Based on misunderstanding of the nature of our economies by really everyone on this globe. To more or larger extends. Simply because no-one, really no-one, really truly understands this nature of our economies. Even I myself do not. But, what I do know and understand are the most critical understandings for understanding what we are facing right now and how to deal with it.

Our economic systems are increasingly becoming a non-closed system. Meaning that it grows towards a reality according to the sole true structure of our universes. Not because of understandings of economists and governments, but in spite of them. While economists and governments still think and act according to their inbox and WRONG understandings of what economies and economics involve (and by that largely damaging our social realities and a lot of actors within), the actors themselves act more and more as signs growing with less and less boundaries to grow. Both physically and mentally. Our collective minds are tacitly growing towards this understandings, and governments and economists are limiting this growth because of sticking to the incomplete ideologies of them. People growing and growing and wanting and needing more and more money. Then governments still keeping them restricted by not increasing the amount of money....so same amounts or maybe more but not more enough to be used by faster growing amounts of people and each of them wanting more and more...and actually also deserving it. But with the closed system inbox perspectives of governments...this is simply NOT possible...YET!

One of the most important characteristics of our economical system and society, belonging to it's nature, is the so-called invisible hand. The invisible hand of competition. This competition can be good and counterproductive IF the structure of our economic system is adjusted to the sole true structure of our universes AND it's most important naturesigns AND the contents and actions are directed towards being in line with this new understandings. But as long as governments and economists misunderstand what economics really is and fail to implement and live up to the actions needed in our economies and societies at large, the invisible hand is detrimental for our society and people living within.

Milton Friedman, one of the most well known economists of the past decades, has been terribly wrong. I myself can actually not understand why this relative idiot even got well known and, more surprisingly, the Nobel price. I think if any economist has had a very bad influence on our society, it is this one. Fact is that especially in the United States, the NON understandings from Milton Friedman have been used to regulate the economy. Which is actually one of the major reasons of the situation where the US arrived at during these times.

This advice of Chicago-economist and Nobelprice winner Milton Friedman was as follows: regulating the amount of money being in circulation, in such ways that (at least) inflation does not increase too much. So in times with too much inflation and an overgrowing economy, the economy was slowed down. And, in times of deflation and increasing unemployment the economy was stimulated with more money. (This last part is a rough translation of a part of an article written by Rick van der Ploeg in the newspaper NRC handelsblad, 16 may 2008)

Professor of Economics Rick van der Ploeg is stating just before this part in the article it is completely unknown how much money is in circulation. And he continues with stating that the Central Bank of New Zealand, the Swiss Reichsbank, The bank of England and the European Central Bank (ECB) now regulate inflation by means of regulating the interest rate in stead of the amount of money being

offered. And, although it would not be officially acknowledged, the Federal reserve in the US and the bank of Japan follow the same strategy.

This two parts of the understandings of Rick van der Ploeg in this article have been interesting and important to read for me. Simply because of the fact that it already confirmed something that I thought in indirect ways. Being the fact that the amount of money in circulation is NOT regulated by economies for the cause of regulating our economies AND the fact that Milton Friedman his insights have had detrimental influence on our economies at large. And still have.

On the fact that the amount of money in circulation is NOT regulated by economies together with the fact that many important capitalist economies follow the Friedman strategy. Both are wrong and counterproductive, if you understand. Fact is, that as I told before our economic engine consists of all kind of entities. And these smaller entities all the time absorb parts of the total amount of fuel in the engine. Then give it back at a certain period of time. Or not. In case they absorb more of the money less is there for the rest of the entities to use.

And, this is exactly the problem of our economies. The amount of money being into circulation not really being sufficient for the real economy. This has been partly covered during recent years by means of partly illusive increases of value on both stock market and housing markets. But, eventually our economy has to run on real financial value. Although the illusive value of both stock market and housing market did enable some of the entities in the economic engine to grow more than the money in circulation would enable them to do, they still even absorbed too much of the money. Then also the people needing part of the money into circulation. Leading especially the lower incomes to having to hand in a bigger part of their wages and future perspectives for the growth of others.

Entities in our economic engine are creative. And also lower incomes simply need to survive, of course. So they will continue to buy, even if they have to borrow money. But needing to borrow money while having a normal job while both partners are working, just to be able to buy a house and living a normal life, is not normal. Let alone that borrowing money does not even enable them to buy a much nicer and better part of the goods and services on the market at present times.

Production processes are improving, management processes are improving and actually about everything in our society is. But far too less of it is and has been forwarded to the public at large. The biggest reason for it that governments do not really understand what economies are and do not act accordingly. What is needed for our economies to survive, and better to grow much more in near future, is really MORE money into circulation. But, this money should go to the right entities in our economies. Being the lower incomes, the large amount of people in capitalist society now still having to borrow far too much for living a "normal" life. Increasing the money for these persons will largely improve our economies at large. The money can at first be redistributed from the higher incomes, the people who got a too high part of total amount of money. But in the end this total amount of money is simply far too less. And just creating a lot and giving it to the right entities in our capitalist society will

mean a further growth of our economies. And besides that, it will lead to a lot of complementary growths. Much less people with stress, much less people with financial problems. A great step ahead, if only governments will understand. It is the key to have our economics flourish forever. This secret of understanding, and the resulting understanding that the money in circulation has to grow since this is a real constraint in the context of ever growing society.