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This is one I just revisited on youtube and is always one of my favourite videos, As well as the write up underneath the video is pretty accurately assessed, it is also superb in what it is telling psychologically.

[Video stored here](#)

Trust issues in paradise – Jacque Fresco Will Not Say He Trusts Peter Joseph Merola

From: [Anon15Allofus](#) | 24 June 2010 | 482 views

This is a recent interview taken in London by Charlie from the Love
inspection Charlie pressed jacque for some ansv
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Trust is something earned, and it appears even after
Fresco, promoting his work, promoting his video
still not worthy of giving his trust. He avoids this
word trust. very pseudo scientific answer in the
answering a yes or no question.

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has done for Jacques
promoting his project he is
scientists don't use the
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Funnily though even when pressed a second time
again he denied answering further compounding
people have varying levels of trust in certain areas,
things and only those things.

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to simply say yes, but
trusts him. Then says

Interestingly his examples are knowledge in science and personal skills, and he gives low scores on both, 10% and 30% respectively.

Any psychologist can see from his evasive behavior and body language he is not comfortable answering the question, and is not prepared to say yes. Which for someone who has benefited immensely from Peter Joseph Merola's promotion of him in monetary income should of been an easy one to answer, yes would of been useful because Jacques would be unheard of without Peter.

So Peter's role as a person promoting Jacques to get him money is all that he is there for and is not to be trusted for anything else.

I have to say this one really gives away the underlying relationship Jacques Fresco and Peter Joseph Merola have with one another and how little respect and trust Fresco has for Merola.

Ah the trips down memory lane are funny sometimes, hope you enjoyed that post as much as I did. haha

Posted in [Zeitgeist venus project conspiracies](#)

Tags: [charlie](#), [comedy](#), [cult](#), [hoax](#), [Jacques Fresco](#), [love police](#), [peter joseph](#), [psychology](#), [sociology](#), [the venus project](#), [the zeitgeist movement](#), [zeitgeist](#)

[Murdering sociopaths of zeitgeist](#)

• January 25, 2011 • [3 Comments](#)

Sorry, the Wayback Machine does not have this video archived.

As many of you in America know This Jared character has become famous for slaughtering innocent people and trying to kill ‘the man’ due to his psychotic ideas that he can murder things he disagreed with out of existence.

What most of you wont be aware of was he was a member of the zeitgeist movement and posted there, that movement has been associated forever with a negative and devastatingly ugly news item.

Merola must be dieing about this.

Posted in [Zeitgeist venus project conspiracies](#)

Tags: [anti government](#), [anticultist](#), [capitalism](#), [cult](#), [denial](#), [discredited](#), [economy](#), [Jacque Fresco](#), [monetary system](#), [peter joseph](#), [schizophrenic behaviour](#), [the venus project](#), [the zeitgeist movement](#), [Thought reform](#)

I have taken a few months off from the blog and making any posts

•October 31, 2010 • [7 Comments](#)

I decided to take a few months off from this blog and just leave it stand on the internet and do its thing. I was busy doing my own things in life and getting on with what I actually love doing and applying myself to a few other places on the internet. I pop back here every week or two to check in on the replies people make here, about 80 of them are just sat in

my inbox unverified simply because they're a bunch of pro zeitgeisters getting hissy because the blog exists, or repeating already disqualified rationale for zeitgeists existence.

And there they will stay unfortunately for the posters because I am in no mood to rekindle debates about topics and points that have been hammered out over the years by us all.

So I will be continuing on with my life and leaving the posts here open for people to read and its unlikely there will be anything else to say about zeitgeist as its had no impact on anyones lives in the real world, and its neither progressed in its views or actually brought a single thing to fruition other than accrue more willing patsies to spread the word and sell Jacques toys.

For these reasons there is not really a lot more to add to this blog as nothing has happened and probably never will concerning their movement to even report on. So to all the people who posted here regularly take care and perhaps I might come across something worthwhile posting about should they do anything interesting and valuable.

The only thing that will happen shortly is more paraphernalia put out in video format for people to sit at home and entertain their confirmation biases. Perhaps something entertaining can be gotten from that to discuss, until then adios .

Posted in [Zeitgeist venus project conspiracies](#)

Tags: [cult](#), [Jacque Fresco](#), [peter joseph](#), [resource based economy](#), [scam](#), [the venus project](#), [the zeitgeist movement](#), [zeitgeist](#)

[Joke Fresco is getting annihilated here](#)

•September 1, 2010 • [48 Comments](#)

UPDATED: Peter has made a new video

Also lets see the EPCOT centre of Walt disneys. This was his drawings and philosophy for a Prototype city of Tomorrow, where it housed scientists and and engineers always at the cutting edge of technology designing things for the cities of the future, where a community of people would live like noone else on the planet has ever done before.

Posted in [Zeitgeist venus project conspiracies](#)

Tags: [advertising](#), [cult](#), [futurism](#), [hoax](#), [Jacque Fresco](#), [peter joseph](#), [resource based economy](#), [the venus project](#), [the zeitgeist movement](#), [zeitgeist](#)

Who is Peter Joseph part 3: Charles Robinson

• August 10, 2010 • [20 Comments](#)

Anonymous uncover a dirty little secret of Peter Joseph Merolas, They claimed the video was made by Peter Merola himself, and this appeared to have been a reasonable claim, this prompted Charles Robinson to reply with **some extra footage** of his voice and him having a dialogue with Peter Merola. One major problem is the guy is American who is talking, he does not have a UK accent at all, so is he a UK student in New York or is he an American citizen lying about being English ?

Part 2

link: <http://www.tudou.com/v/3uEMT6713dg/v.swf>

So lets look at this as I have already discussed [here](#):

Charles Robinson makes a you tube account and a website using the same creative commons and host sites as his normal zeitgeist productions. He does this all within a few days of me releasing the [who is Peter Joseph blog](#) which laid to rest who he was and his little lying hiding escapade. What is most curious about this was at the time I was under the impression Peter had done it because Charles Robinson was never introduced or mentioned anywhere on the zeitgeist forums. There was no advertisement anyone was "interviewing" peter, he was never a member of the forum, Peter never mentioned it, and it was all personal details prior to me releasing the blog.

The duration of the time between the "interview" with himself and Charles Robinson and me releasing the blog, Peter kept quiet about his personal details always maintaining that he required anonymity and wanted no one to know who he was. Though we are led to believe that all of a sudden on the release of his name this video came out and he was all happy to let people know. But he didn't make the call about it, he let a complete stranger no one knows or has heard about do it instead ?

But the story looks strange when we see in the video above, when you were in New York and Charles was supposed to be in England on February 14th, somehow the very same day when the video was uploaded and completed and put online, There is a section where the screen grabs are of PJ logged into his own amazon account on February 14th looking at a book, with the date showing when another book order is going to arrive. This puts peter Joseph merola at home on his computer looking at his amazon account and taking a screen grab of it for the whoispeterjoseph movie, there is no other possibility of this happening. Therefore the very day the video is uploaded for people Peter Joseph Merola is adding final touches to its production. So he most certainly has a hand in its production its editing and its content structure, so Peter no matter what he says has helped make the video and get it completed even though he is not physically in the room with Charles doing it.

After Charles responded it appears at least there is a person who made a video with him as you can see and hear a dialogue, but at least in the video we can see that it was released as damage control for my first blog, Charles even mentions it in the video. So at least we know he made his video under the same name as my blog and posted it as quickly as possible to try and prevent any damage it may have done to Peters credibility.

For more information;

<http://anticultist.wordpress.com/2010/02/10/who-is-peter-joseph/>

<http://conspiracyscience.com/forums/topic/peter-joseph-is-charles-robinson>

<http://anticultist.wordpress.com/2010/02/16/who-is-peter-joseph-part-2/>

<http://anticultist.wordpress.com/2010/08/10/who-is-peter-joseph-part-3-charles-robinson/>

Other parts to this video can be watched here:

Part 1

<http://www.tudou.com/v/GVQro3FwsTQ/v.swf>

Part 2:

<http://www.tudou.com/v/3uEMT6713dg/v.swf>

Part 3

<http://www.tudou.com/v/UkldK0RPLHQ/v.swf>

Part 4

<http://www.tudou.com/v/uGTKz4jJRY0/v.swf>

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[Quick response to Plan B From The Bacardi Room](#)

•August 5, 2010 • [5 Comments](#)

This is just a really quick 5 minute response to the following article

<http://planbfromthebacardiroom.blogspot.com/2010/08/why-anti-cultist-blog.html>

<http://www.blogger.com/profile/07812856583998219366> ← this guy

Hardly a well thought out blog he has put together, particularly since he has not addressed any of the actual content and has only briefly skimmed over the introduction pages so I will just tear through this guys post quickly and leave him to his own inept devices.

First, I wouldn't label TZM or TVP as a cult. Cults are almost exclusively associated with religion and/or religious figures. With TVP the focus is on science to solve social problems. That's something entirely different then faith.

Incorrect:

<http://anticultist.wordpress.com/2010/06/06/so-you-dont-think-tvp-and-tzm-are-a-cult/>

There are other forms of cult in operation, cults of personality, cults of financial gain, political cults, there are varying kinds and each have their own particular agendas, most of which have a purpose in that the leadership is out to gain something from either its membership or the actions its membership directly do for them.

Also if you can provide me with science venus project themselves has conducted to verify that their claims are factual, inclusive of the white papers and sources they have used, as well as the scientific experiments they have conducted with all their results and test conditions. Then show me the peer review process and full disclosure they have carried out with these documents and tests they have carried out. Of course here is where you will fail, because as everyone already knows there are none, they have none, and talking about other peoples science and conducting your own science are not the same thing.

Secondly, pointing out that there is a group mentality and that therefore the movement reeks of a cult, is also disingenuous. When people form a group, how can you not have a common set of goals and a group mentality in the long run? That's simply the social mechanics of the group moving forward. It has nothing to do with being cultish. By that same sort of reasoning members of the Republican party are in a cult. Fans of the New York Yankees. How about the people that visit all the different churches in the U.S.?

It is also disingenuous to read an introduction to a blog and bypass its critical content and then proceed to make a

complete subjective analysis on it without any knowledge of it and not attempt to address its core critiques. Your argument here is weak since you present the intro page and do not present your readers with the actual data and facts presented as to why the cult mentality has been observed throughout the interactions with their leadership and membership. You fail to present your viewers with the actual posts given as to why they are acting like a cult. This is just weak Ed and you are simply biasing and prompting your readers into your own particular train of thought and not the actual objective multi faceted story and evidence.

On he goes to say:

You wonder why the forum took a different approach when ‘anti members’ joined and started targeting their own ideas? Anti cultist seems to neglect one important factor. There are those people who disagree and present their ideas in a respectful manner and there are those people who are disrespectful and drive their opinions home no matter what – even if it means to insult everyone in the process.

Yet again neglects to address the following for his readers:

<http://anticultist.wordpress.com/2010/07/30/peter-joseph-merola-is-plain-arrogant/>

Showing categorically that any questioning of the leadership is deemed trolling, irrelevant and not useful to the membership to read and therefore leading to banning. End of argument here Ed, try again.

Reading anti cultist experiences on the forum it’s obvious he was somewhat skeptical from the start, didn’t like the changes in the forum while giving little attention to those folks out to create havoc. That part didn’t seem to bother him that much.

What the writer neglects to tell his readers here is in my blog I already state I was pro TVP/TZM and was very interested in the movement initially and was a very well versed and active member of the movement and forum. This again is another disingenuous attempt to undermine my original intentions of joining the movement and reasons for leaving the movement. Since the user has no idea exactly who I was on the movements forum he 100% can not verify his statements and it is merely speculative accusations with zero credit to them. Fail again Ed try again.

And right he is. The bottom line is that people are selfish. People think of number 1 and do those things that benefit them the most. People work to make money which in turn enables them to buy food and have a roof over their heads. Our society works that way given the monetary capitalistic principle. Take that away and people try to survive by any means. Wait a minute. What does the Venus Project stand for? Sharing resources on a global scale so that everyone has all the necessities of life?

Selfish taking and stealing is something that happens when people live in scarcity. Why else would you steal in the first place? Doesn't the Venus Project advocate abundance?

Now here he goes on to attempt to credit the Venus Project with a well thought out plan of action and ideology, but as we all know in the real world abundance of all the worlds resources does not exist, can not exist and never will exist, therefore abundance is a subjective term applied to only a few resources. Water and air being two abundant materials that are obvious. But lets look at other resources...Gold, Platinum, Plutonium am I making anyone actually think here? Of course just a simple mention of a few glaring rare resources is all it takes to show how not everyone can have the resources and how this limits the way they can be used in mass production. Basically his whole abundance theory falls flat on its face when you really stop and think about the lack of every single resources abundance in the real world. Until a nano replicator duplicating time machine exists theres not likely to be any abundance of much in the near future.

So the argument still stands that should there be a collapse like TVP/TZM wished would happen soon, so they could somehow miraculously make their cities all over the world from thin air, then people will resort to getting everything they can as soon as they can to survive and benefit their own during the crash. If TVP does not exist prior to collapse then the world view of people being selfish is going to be in action and that's as simple to understand as can be explained. What he doesn't tell his readers is that TVP/TZM have no intentions of building their cities pre world catastrophic collapse, all they intend to do is talk to people to believe in their ideology. He assumes that once people know about it that's all that is necessary to change people, this is simply not the case and no amount of talk is going to change the way people will react under pressure and catastrophic scenarios.

Isn't the Venus Project one method which by survival can be achieved, maybe even guaranteed?

No because as explained above it has no intention of building pre collapse, therefore your argument is flawed.

The writer of the above article needs to pay more attention to the content of this blog addressing how TVP/TZM actually operate and less attention to his own inner thoughts about how TVP/TZM claim to and should operate.

Posted in [Zeitgeist venus project conspiracies](#)

Tags: [cult](#), [futurism](#), [generalisation](#), [Jacque Fresco](#), [monetary system](#), [peter joseph](#), [resource based economy](#), [Robert J Lifton](#), [scam](#), [the venus project](#), [the zeitgeist movement](#), [zeitgeist](#)

Sherdog MMA Forum – Conspiracy Nutcases

• August 5, 2010 • [2 Comments](#)

Recently it was my pleasure and joy to go over to the ‘war room’ of this forum and point out the illogical beliefs and erroneous behaviour of the members who frequent this forum. For those unaware of its existence and likely most of you will be since it is an obscure area of a mixed martial arts forum with little notoriety online for its Conspiracy Theory proponents. But as it has recently come to my attention it fosters some very odd beliefs and members.

Some examples are as follows:

Demonic possession beliefs

911 inside job usual CT stuff

False flag terrorism as a function of everyday governmental duties

Members who disagree are accused of being part of government psi-ops/project vigilant and other obscure claims

Federal Reserve conspiracies

Corporate and Governmental one world government beliefs

Illuminati beliefs

This is just a brief snapshot of the kind of irrational worldviews and limited perspective that is currently expounded throughout this section of the forum.

Now the small time I was there I encountered every one of the above being bandied about as if it were factual, undeniable and the absolute truth. Their CT membership consider the lack of evidence to be evidence of the fraud, they commit so

many logical fallacies that they are too numerous to even mention here but needless to say they are obvious when you discuss with them. Yet they still persist when their fallacies and lack of evidence is pointed out, always resorting to minute details that are irrelevant to proving their case and the cursory YouTube linkage as is common with CT's.

After a few days of banter with their more outspoken members and after thoroughly humiliating a few of them by showing how pathetic their reasoning was and is, as well as showing them evidence that directly discredits their claims, they sent in their secret weapon. This secret weapon was none other than a 26,000 post loud mouth Conspiracy nutcase whose only job on the forum appears to be to post pictures , call names, act tough, and demand respect from those who disagree with his worldview. It ended up where he got his tiny mind handed back to him on a silver plate to eat, but of course being that he is obsessed with his own worldview it was nigh on impossible to shut the cretin up.

They were linked to all manner of threads, blogs, facts and documents and none of them really paid a single bit of attention to their false positions, and finally it ended up where I was banned from their forum by a moderator under the accusation I was a paid government shill and they deleted every thread that provided evidence they were utterly deluded in their views.

So this blog goes on record for any of you out there who wish to journey into the strange world of the Conspiracy nuts of the internet, sherdog forum is a great place to see truly how mental people can get.

Just do not expect to get any sense from them or think you can guide them out of their paranoid delusions because they all seem quite happy in their down trodden and schizophrenic worldviews.

Some special head cases to pay special attention to :

enginekid, rusviking, neitzsche13, Dajjal666, SD-Stranger, Sleepyboy, 7wtc911 and the other suspects that hang around in their posts agreeing with them at every turn are also of great amusement to observe.

Go on over and have a laugh at their expense it's all rather surreal, and not too dissimilar to Alex Jones' forum but with extra stupidity and insanity.

Sherdog forum can be found here:

<http://www.sherdog.net/forums/f54/>

Here is an example of one enginekids posts:

I'll show you guys a conspiracy, but it's not just a theory, they are truly conspiring together with a preplanned agenda. The three bad actors are:

**CTkiller
Keppman
Dolphinator**

They all made accounts about the same time. They all have the exact same views and rail against anything they deem against corporate control, corporate media, and the corporate government. They attack posters who they think are conspiracy theorists.

This is where these three are truly from:

Project Vigilant

Project vigilant recently came out saying they are recruiting for more internet spies. This is them folks. New whitebelts arguing for the government and against any dissentful discussion. Attacking posters who exhibit dissent and are open to discussing conspiracies. Just look at this, his big thread, an indepth attack against any conspiracy that says the government is working against the people. CTKiller and Dolphinator are either his alter ego accounts or his project pals. They all joined at the same time and say “oh we are from an anti-conspiracy forum” ... it's a cover for internet spy group project vigilant. This shit is real.

They will just say “prove it!”

The proofs in the pudding. How they act, who they attack, how they use classic methods of trying to derail a good thread and turn into a pissing match about a guys sig. Look at the evidence already there. They attacked me saying the quote in my sig was fake, accusing me of doing it on purpose. I told them I thought it was legit and got it from a documentary. I showed them it's cited and referenced as coming from Rockefeller's 1994

Speech to the U.N., and I had no reason to think it was fake. I asked them if they had seen the speech then, since they claim it's fake. They wouldn't answer. I told them I am willingly to entertain the idea but I don't have and cannot find the speech. They posted a 7 min truncated version of the speech, which is not the complete speech, and said it proves my sig is fake. But it's not the full speech. Then they admitted they have never seen the full speech! But continued calling me a liar.

This is their schtick. They are recruits by a spying agency.

Read more about these guys here:

Shadowy Spy Group Building Dossiers On Internet Users For Feds

They made an error and put the below pyramid / earth icon in the OP post of this thread. They didn't know it actually outs them as being associated with Darpa who is connected to Project Vigilant. Not many know that symbol. And few know its connection to Project Vigilant.

Net Security

Project Vigilant, a division of BBHC Global LLC (an information security firm), is a private, semi-secret, volunteer-based organization of "cyber spies" that is sometimes employed by the U.S. government to give insight into situations that might require the attention of a more technologically skillful organization than most government agencies are at present.

Project Vigilant's Symbol

Read it, it's exactly what these guys do.

<https://www.projectvigilant.us/resources/vigilant.jpg>

they are connected to these guys. Notice how the TS removed the words in the image to hide the spy group name. Look at the version of pyramid + earth that TS put in his OP. It's been altered to hide the agency name.

<http://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/d/d1/IAO-logo.png/590px-IAO-logo.png>

Also here is a link to a complete fail post showing just how retarded their secret weapon Neitzsche13 is:

<http://www.sherdog.net/forums/f54/truth-will-start-flowing-like-river-1288323/>

Utter fail is'nt it !

Posted in [Zzzz](#), [Sillies](#), [Comedy](#)

Tags: [anti government](#), [comedy](#), [Conspiracy theories](#), [demonic possession](#), [denial](#), [discredited](#), [paranoid delusions](#), [schizophrenic behaviour](#)

[RBE: A Baseless Theory Part 1, 2 & 3 \[falkners legend reblog\]](#)

• July 31, 2010 • [83 Comments](#)

Author: [Kaiser Falkner](#)

July 2, 2010

[A Baseless Theory Part 1](#)

The following is the first part of an analysis of the Zeitgeist Movement's support of Resource Base economies. The parts are as follows

- 1) A Vision of the Human: A Philosophical Hole
- 2) The Rejection of the State: The paradox of Anarchy and Economy
- 3) Betrayal of the Technocrats: Authority structures lying in Wait

Conspiracy Theories by themselves do not formulate systems of political theory on the whole. The entire aim of a Conspiracy Theory is only to expose the conspirators and thus to explain the how and why of the world's events. By believing in a Conspiracy Theory there is no defacto sociopolitical position that must be taken, and Conspiracy Theories do often originate from both ends of the political spectrum.

The Zeitgeist Movement has presented us with an interesting case, however. It is undeniable that the Zeitgeist Movement began with a film focusing exclusively on conspiracies, regardless of what current members claim. This critique is explained on the [Conspiracy Science blog-page](#), and I link this so that readers can have an understanding of how linked conspiracy theorism is with the movement today. And all one needs to do is remember that Peter Merola, creator of the

Zeitgeist films, has stated that the movies are still the core generator of interest in the movie, and thus it is clear to see how conspiracy theories lead to the movement. The movement, in turn, is essentially built to correct the social ills described in the films.

The Zeitgeist Movement has essentially merged with The Venus Project, which looks to establish what the founder refers to as a “Resource Based Economy” (RBE). The official definition that the Venus Project has selected for itself is as follows:

The term and meaning of a Resource-Based Economy was originated by Jacque Fresco. It is a system in which all goods and services are available without the use of money, credits, barter or any other system of debt or servitude. All resources become the common heritage of all of the inhabitants, not just a select few. The premise upon which this system is based is that the Earth is abundant with plentiful resource; our practice of rationing resources through monetary methods is irrelevant and counter productive to our survival.

<http://www.thevenusproject.com/a-new-social-design/resource-based-economy>

The first statement is debateable, and indeed there would need to be extensive documentation to prove what the Venus Project is claiming. However, it is the Venus Projects’ definition I am here concerned with, and thus it becomes my operative point of critique.

The final part of the Zeitgeist film essentially launches into a criticism that the current financial system is built to put people into debt and enslave those not in the banking elite. It is then consistent that Zeitgeist supporters would support the Venus Project’s goal of abandoning “the use of money, credits, barter or any other system of debt or servitude.” However, what I wish to examine now is the tremendous tension that logically exists in this theory. What I want to do now is demonstrate some of the genealogical aspects of RBE and why it is essentially dead in the crib.

A Vision of the Human

Marxist theory contends that the capitalist system is inherently flawed not only because it is created by the bourgeoisie in order to benefit themselves at the expense of the working class, or proletariat, but also because it is a system built on the selling of one’s own humanity and subsequent alienation from that humanity. In *Das Kapital* Marx maintains that humans are, by nature and definition, a productive creature. The ability to create and to produce is what makes a human a human, and so a system where labor is sold to another so that the products of that labor can be sold is immediately twisted and deserving of destruction. Marx’s own argument is clearly much grander than this and includes a historical-

materialist dialectic, but it is this that I wish to begin with.

The Venus Project further maintains:

Our proposals would not only add to the well-being of people, but they would also provide the necessary information that would enable them to participate in any area of their competence. The measure of success would be based on the fulfilment of one's individual pursuits rather than the acquisition of wealth, property and power.

This is then at least partially defined by a quasi-Marxist position that human dignity is linked with the human's ability to labor. This is distinctly different from applied Marxism, like Soviet-Stalinism and so forth, in that the human is not being told what he must do, but the basis of human dignity remains the same. I am not claiming that the Venus Project has taken any direct ideas purposefully from Marxism, but the underlying logic here is undeniable. The argument, implicitly, is that humans can be satisfied and fulfilled through ones work.

This then becomes the first position of criticism and potential refutation. As with Marxist theory, the RBE can be critiqued on its understanding of human fulfilment. If the position is rejected that humans are fulfilled by their labor, the rest of the RBE tenets are moot. Should humans be fundamentally fulfilled by, say, rational triumphs, the RBE's goal is flawed.

This is probably some of the worst waters for the Venus Project to enter. There is no indication that the supporters of the movement are prepared to deal with the philosophical implications of the statement made by the Venus Project. This position must withstand arguments such as “human's are actually fulfilled by emotional connections” and models such as [Maslow's Heirarchy of Needs](#) which holds that human self-actualization comes through creative, moral, and factual awareness – not exclusively labor based.

Why this is further so problematic is that none of the leading figures have any competence in philosophical tradition and are thus ill-equipped to defend this position. Consider that Jacque Fresco is a self-described engineer and technocrat and has never stated he has any familiarity with philosophical argument. Thus we must assume that the only arguments that the Venus Project should be prepared to make are empirical – firmly outside the realm of answering this difficult question.

What I want to leave you with is an understanding that there is a very critical point of contention within the basis of the Venus Project. All it requires to be dissatisfied with RBE is to follow the philosophical geneology of Marxist theory. If it

is rejected that humans are satisfied by their labor, it is then rejected that a system built upon this tenet is in any way correct. I am not convinced by this position, and feel as though supporters of RBE take this assumption without much consideration.

I have not forwarded my own argument for what a human is defined by for the simple reason that I believe it is far too complicated to delve into now. My point is that this is a contentious position, and thus any supporters of RBE should be ready to either defend the position, or surrender it and find a more philosophically tenable position to hold. My own position is that humans are defined by cognitive accomplishment and freedom. Labor is a social act – it is given meaning not by the individual, but by the culture that individual is in. It is then incongruent to simply assume that labor is what makes a human fulfilled.

For now, I hope that this gives supporters and opponents something to consider. Personally, this fundamental argument is unsatisfying but is far from the only problem with RBE theory.

11:44am | URL: <http://falknerslegend.tumblr.com/post/761903644/a-baseless-theory-part-1>

July 7, 2010

Part 2:

[Rejection of the State: The Paradox of Anarchy and Economy](#)

This is part 2 of a 3 part essay on Resource Base Economies as they are described by Jacque Fresco of The Venus Project. Part 1 can be found [here](#). This section will look at the political paradox that exists in RBE and why it is an incomplete picture for future governance.

Resource Based Conspiracies

Before embarking on this task, it is important to see exactly how The Venus Project views the status quo it hopes to revise. This is important because it allows the observer to fully comprehend what the Venus Project envisions as its most important changes to society and how it differs from what exists. This essentially allows us to also evaluate RBE on one further level – whether it has an accurate perception of the world at all.

[According to the Venus Project:](#)

We must emphasize that this approach to global governance has nothing whatever in common with the present aims of an elite to form a world government with themselves and large corporations at the helm, and the vast majority of the world's population subservient to them. Our vision of globalization empowers each and every person on the planet to be the best they can be, not to live in abject subjugation to a corporate governing body

What is so striking about this statement is that it largely falls in line with a common Conspiracy Theory known as the New World Order. This theory is famously forwarded by Zeitgeist film in part 3. The theory maintains that a secret cabal of bankers and other elite individuals are attempting to put the world under a one world government with themselves in power. This theory has been refuted time and time again, and so it is unnecessary to enter into that discussion now. However, what this then opens up is a very problematic situation for the validity of RBE.

If their view of global governance is wrong, what is it they are actually changing. As The Venus Project makes very clear, they do, in fact, believe that the world is currently under a push from corporations and an elite to enter a one world government. Now, as we look at the evidence for such a shift, we find that it is a remarkably thin theory and thus puts the Venus Project in an uncomfortable situation. That is not to say that there is no corporate injustice in the world (my own views on corporations are not favorable towards the system) but simply that there is no conspiracy for corporations and an elite to form a one world government. The logical tenability of such a theory is remarkably weak, and thus the world the Venus Project wants to change is not the world that is.

All this is to say that, aside from a debatable position on what fulfills a human being, the Venus Project is based on a faulty world view. This presents the second problem the Venus Project must overcome if it is to be a respectable theory. If the world it hopes to change does not exist, what good is the Venus Project? Perhaps a casual reader would be sold with the affective reasoning presented by the Venus Project. After all, people are suffering in the world. This, however, greatly oversimplifies the reasons for this suffering. It is not all due to the scarcity created by global-capitalism. Sudan, for example, is largely suffering due to a colonial legacy that distinct groups within the same country when no such arrangements would have been reached independently. Furthermore, to reject the Venus Project is not to reject helping people who are in dire situations. Consider that Jeffery Sachs has written extensively on the possibilities of eradicating global poverty in his book *Common Wealth: Economics for a Crowded Planet*. This is not to argue that Sachs is right, only to note that there are more viable options for addressing the problem.

Anarchy, Economy, and A Go Nowhere Policy

What is perhaps the most undeveloped aspect of RBE is found in the opening of its introduction. RBE is described as

It is a system in which all goods and services are available without the use of money, credits, barter or any other system of debt or servitude. All resources become the common heritage of all of the inhabitants, not just a select few

Here we find a very difficult tension in the RBE theory. On the one hand it seems to support a kind of political anarchy. That is, there is no sociopolitical order under which any of the human associations are to occur. Political governance is replaced with an “economic governance” where the economic state of affairs seems to lead to a situation benign anarchy. One need only look at the language in the above quote. There is no social control on economic endeavors, no social medium for trade. People, in some form or another, merely take what is needed (or desired).

This, however, is built upon a fundamentally flawed axiom. Namely, that sociopolitical spheres are divorced from economic ones. RBE is based on an idea that somehow, hierarchical social structures are removed when scarcity of resources is erased. This, however, needs to be tested. Let us consider first that all human activity is a social action. The interaction of individuals is dependent upon social constructs such as language, customs, and norms. I cannot engage with another individual if there is not some common social medium between us. Now, we can examine theories of language to see how there is a case for the fact that language refers to the material world (or in the case of theorists like [Johann von Gottfried Herder](#), come from the material word). So, we must admit that social interactions are omnipresent, and that these social constructs emerge from a material condition.

This then means that any interaction in society is governed by a social structure – even the Venus Projects RBE. Even if there is an unlimited amount of resources and goods, the movement of goods, the possession of goods, and the sharing of goods are all socially constituted and thus dependent upon a social order. Indeed, the RBE view is dependent upon goods and resources having no other value than the fulfillment of needs. A simple anthropological survey will quickly dismiss such a simple view. Consider that in many cultures, the movement of [goods represented displays of power](#) and not the exchange of value in terms of use.

What RBE is dependent upon is that material goods in abundance somehow reverse any social construction attached to economic interaction. Such a view is historically without precedent and untestable. Fundamentally, no economy can exist without a social order. And a social order is the derivative form of a political order. It is thus foolish to believe that abundance will lead to a leveling of the social order. Never has there existed a culture where all members existed on the same plane, and where goods were exchanged free of any such social construction.

Imagining the potential problems in this model is not difficult. What will the role be of people adept in technological

engineering? How are resources distributed? How do we overcome the biological impulses to form social groups? These are questions RBE supporters have not demonstrated they are able or willing to answer, and they are further overlooking how there has been no historical point at which benign anarchy has taken dominance in society.

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Part 3

Betrayal of the Technocrats: Authority structures lying in Wait

This is the third and final part of a three-piece commentary on the Venus Project and Resource Base Economies. Parts one and two are found [here](#) and [here](#).

This final section is meant to specifically address the final section of the previous post, namely the role of expertise and potential authority in RBE. This can be seen as a further charge against the quasi-anarchic social order that is envisioned in the Venus Project. As I have observed before, there is a hope to create a society without social inequality driven by scarcity. This, however faces a very difficult challenge in setting up a RBE much less in its functionality.

Experts In Wait

What must first be addressed is the entire RBE school of thought's structure. The movements associated with this brand of RBE, Venus Project and Zeitgeist, both rely on a very specific illusion of expertise. Indeed, the Venus Project asserts that Jacque Fresco is responsible for coining the term "Resource Based Economy" (this can be seen in the first part of this essay). The idea here is that one man had the driving expertise to begin the movement. There is, at the very least, an inequality in information among supporters of RBE. Zeitgeist is no exception, despite claims to the contrary. At the very least, the inception of the movement was reliant upon the inequality of knowledge. Peter Merola made *Zeitgeist* to spread his ideas, no matter how false his ideas were. Furthermore, the second film *Zeitgeist Addendum* introduced the Venus Projects to people who watched the films. This may appear to be a frivolous point, but it is, in reality, part of a much

graver danger to RBE supporters.

There is always a serious inequality among people. I am not here referring to the kinds of arguments made by J.J. Rousseau in *Origins of Inequality* though my argument does follow a similar path. Human beings are born with inequality within all societies. Consider that children, almost universally, are not considered equal to adults. Even in the United States, children are granted basic rights but are not given certain privileges. And indeed, children are legally dependent upon adult care and authority. This extends to the intellectual realm. Human's are not equal in their possession of information. Schooling and experience add to this inequality as more learned people come to possess more knowledge than those who are not. This is not a claim about the superiority of formal education over self-education, but rather a claim of the inherent inequalities we are faced with in our human experience.

Why this is so salient is because the Venus Project is *dependent upon* expertise in order to even begin. It is dependent upon technological expertise to create the necessary technologies for the forming of resource abundance. And it is further predicated upon Fresco's own "expertise" and know-how in the development of urban planning as well as technological progress. It should then be immediately admitted that there is always an inequality at work even within this RBE. There are those qualified to develop technologies and those who are not. At the absolute minimum, there is a latent authority in RBE society.

And Once More We Ask Who is the Human

What is further troubling is an inherent contradiction in understandings about human behavior on the part of RBE supporters. As the first section argued, the conception of human fulfillment is open to debate and thus a faulty and ill defended position to begin from. Marx himself could be argued to have failed in defending his understanding of the human as a productive creature. However, there is further a very troubling tension here between the world RBE is said to correct and the world an RBE would turn into.

If human greed is not inherent, why were there ever the greedy in the first place?

Let us assume greed is a social trait that people like the elites and bankers picked up and thus lead them to their quest for one world government. How does an RBE economy hope to reverse social conditioning? The reasonable argument would be that a surplus of resources would mean that no one would have to be greedy about material possessions. Again, however, this is not only dependent upon a successful creation of ample resources, but on the notion that greed is even based on the material or that it is purely rational. The love of excess is not dependent upon taking from others, but rather

on the love of having more than one needs. It is then perfectly reasonable that an RBE promotes social greed, not erases it. Society has more than it needs, and individuals have access to more than they need. It is then incredibly difficult to combat the socially learned quality of greed if that is its base form. Thus the argument could be “well, someone will stop people from taking more than they need.” Who is that arbiter? Here again, inequality and authority emerge.

Now let us assume that greed is instinctual. There is a possible case for the evolution of greed, and thus it is beyond the scope of the RBE to correct. RBE does not offer a triumph over evolved characteristics, but is instead dependent upon this quality being social. So if they gamble the wrong way, they have further been unable to eliminate greed from society.

Conclusion

These sections were not meant to be inclusive of all arguments against RBE but rather meant to provoke discussion. It is clear that RBE supporters have not addressed from very critical, and ultimately fatal flaws in their theory. The mixtures of anarchic social order and necessary expertise, as well as the fundamental assumptions about human behaviors have led RBE as a go-nowhere, and unsound theory for how society should look. It is built on contradictions that, once actually set right, reveal themselves to undermine RBE completely. If the answer to fixing the propensity for greed is to place some rationing on society, then the RBE returns to a social order where authority and power are in place. If the correction is to allow people to take what they will, the result is again nothing but anarchy. And this further fails to address not only the problematic understanding of human fulfillment, but also the omnipresence of social order and inequality. How can a society exist without inequality of even a just kind when social interactions immediately necessitate it? These questions leave one to only reasonably assume that RBE is no answer to the world's ills, and a fools dream.

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[Peter Joseph Merola is plain arrogant](#)

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A post was made recently on zeitgeist forums:

http://www.thezeitgeistmovement.com/joomla/index.php?option=com_kunena&Itemid=99999&func=view&catid=231&id=279060

Notice how it links to a dead end, this is because Peter Joseph Merola deleted it as it was questioning his intellect and his authority, and he did not like it one little bit. Originally there was a post where a user asked some questions and Peter locked it, so the user proceeded to push the questions to him in a new thread and he deleted it and the original thread.

The interesting thing to note about this is the content and the manner in which Merola rants, Luckily Bill saved the content and uploaded it to his server and I am going to present it here for you to read. I will then dissect it after wards in a seperate reply.

The links to the original thread are here spread across 4 pages from the zeitgeist forum:

<http://st0rage.org/~graalreborn11/funny%20web/funny%20web%201/Peter%20yells%20at%20dude/index11.php>

<http://st0rage.org/~graalreborn11/funny%20web/funny%20web%201/Peter%20yells%20at%20dude/index22.php>

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<http://st0rage.org/~graalreborn11/funny%20web/funny%20web%201/Peter%20yells%20at%20dude/index44.php>

The key areas in these links are Peter Joseph Merolas replies, the questions from the TZM member were answered by a moderator and the apparent discussion about this was resolved, but suddenly Merola butted in like a bull in a china shop and started shouting and locked the thread:

Manillaenglish says:

I see way too much Peter Joseph being promoted here. Isn't there anyone else doing podcasts or radio addresses?

Is anyone else interested in doing them as well? We need more points of view than from just 1 person.

...So why is it then that Peter Joseph's podcasts the only ones with stickies? And why is it that he's "just about" the only one promoted on TVP's website? And why is it that Zeitgeist is promoted but RBOSE is not?

I just listened to an audio recording on YouTube with Gilbert talking to a member of RBOSE about some kind of name calling incident among some members of RBOSE. Apparently the way TVP handles conflicts is via censorship of an entire organization? Is that what you're advocating?

Peter Joseph Merola finally butts in with his response:

I have to say to everyone that I am continually amazed at the perpetual judgment, arrogance and conceit that some of you put forward on this forum. The fact that the term "promoted" is stated above makes it even more idiotic. Let me walk you through this – whoever you are. Before myself, I know of no one besides Jacque and Roxanne that talked on the subject of a RBE. After Addendum came out and the Movement started to get a couple thousand members, I spent 12 hrs a day researching, creating materials, writing the PDF, creating 4 2 hr+ lectures, writing articles for newspapers, traveling at a deficit to give talks for free, doing interviews and then having a weekly radio address where I did nothing but be tortured by 100s of the same questions, over and over again, patiently working to resolve them. I have spent between \$15,000-\$20,000 on this websites administration/programming/bandwidth since it began and I now operate on a monthly deficit.

So then mentalities like you – who obviously have no clue about what we are even talking about in the movement based on your threads, come along and actually have the balls to say my work is essentially too "promoted" here. Listen- I don't want to be the forefront of anything. I can't stand it. I was recognized the other day in a restaurant and it made me shudder. I am doing my best to push myself into the background and get others out there to speak and present the movement. So – please – have some tact and respect. Also, there is no such thing as "my point of view" here- I am simply restating the data that has been collected.

“Manillaenglish said: Apparently the way TVP handles conflicts is via censorship of an entire organization? Is that what you’re advocating?”

This is even more hilarious...where do these people come from? If you think the RBOSE has anything to do with what TZM/TVP is actually doing/advocating, you are way off. [LOCKED]

Oh dear Peter could not handle being questioned and simply locked the thread, but this user did not appreciate this childish behaviour and decided to query it. Also for anyone with any observation skills you may note that Peter edited out a section of his statement in reply to Manillenglish on the forum before he deleted the entire thread. But I had access to a copy of the post in its entirety captured way before he started editing the thread to make himself look good.

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Manila English wrote:

It’s called being accountable for what you say and do, Peter. Being judged comes with the territory of being a public figure. If you can’t handle being judged then get out of the spot light.

Peter Joseph wrote:

arrogance

Manila English wrote:

You're the most arrogant person here (a.k.a "locked"). What do you think gives you the authority, in a non-authority society? Because you made a popular video? Is it because you read Jacque Fresco's book a couple years ago and listened to his audio recordings that you think you're magically more intelligent than everyone on Earth, that you're the only one who has ever heard of this concept and thus only you understand a Resource Based Society? There are 6 billion people on this planet. Don't think just because you haven't heard an idea that it hasn't already been around. And just because you made a popular video promoting a RBE (which you admit you never even thought of until someone pointed it out to you) doesn't make you an expert and it certainly doesn't give you any authority.

There is no State. That includes you.

Peter Joseph wrote:

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Manila English wrote:

Here you are guilty of the same. Your response reeks of arrogance and conceit.

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Manila English wrote:

Isn't that one of the forum rules that you created? Or is it because you created the rule that you get to break it? Who gets to moderate the owner? Oh, that's right, nobody. Because you own the website. And there is no discussion or wiki on creating a community website and talk about how to moderate discussion collectively instead of using hand picked moderators.

And yes, what you are doing with the stickies is in affect promoting yourself. Why didn't you join in the discussion about making sticky creations a community effort?

[www.thezeitgeistmovement.com/joomla/inde...limitstart=20#275515](http://www.thezeitgeistmovement.com/joomla/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&Itemid=275&limitstart=20#275515)

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Manila English wrote:

Until this moment, I was a strong supporter of Zeitgeist who has been gaining insight to the structure of Zeitgeist and working to ease discussions toward distributing power among everyone and I've already pointed out some of the tools on how to do that.

I am also a person who has a lot more experience in organizational development and leadership than you do. So it would serve you well to listen to everything I have to say. Your arrogance will be the failure of

Zeitgeist.

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Manila English wrote:

Congratulations on being the first passionate person other than them to get yourself on a couple of media channels and buying a domain name. So you think you're the only person who was aware of a resource based society while engineering solutions to solve problems rather than create laws? That's concete right there!

Peter Joseph wrote:

I spent 12 hrs a day researching, creating materials, writing the PDF, creating 4 2 hr+ lectures, writing articles for newspapers, traveling ... to give talks for free, doing interviews and then having a weekly radio address where i did nothing but be tortured by 100s of the same questions, over and over again, patiently working to resolve them.

Manila English wrote:

And we all thank you for your efforts. Others, including myself, would do the same just as soon as a leaderless system of management is implemented.

Peter Joseph wrote:

I have spent between \$15,000-\$20,000 on this websites administration/programming/bandwidth since it began and I now operate on a monthly deficit.

Manila English wrote:

Why haven't you posted your "bills" for verification and scrutiny on the use of funds? A Resource Based Society is a community effort and we all have our resources and the community can intelligently manage those resources openly.

Peter Joseph wrote:

So then mentalities like you

Manila English wrote:

Whoever I am, right? You already said you don't know who I am. Suffice it to say you don't have my knowledge and expertise. Not even close, child.

Peter Joseph wrote:

who obviously have no clue about what we are even talking about in the movement based on your threads

Manila English wrote:

Give an obvious example.

Peter Joseph wrote:

come along and actually have the balls to say my work is essentially too “promoted” here.

Manila English wrote:

The problem is your work is the only work promoted.

Peter Joseph wrote:

Listen

Manila English wrote:

I’m listening because it’s about time you finally got involved in an actual discussion that I’ve started. That must mean that people are listening to everything I say about the need to spread website and forum management to the entire community. A discussion that has been going on for an entire week which you haven’t responded to any of.

Peter Joseph wrote:

I don't want to be the forefront of anything. I can't stand it. I was recognized the other day in a restaurant and it made me shudder. I am doing my best to push myself into the background and get others out there to speak and present the movement.

Manila English wrote:

That's not good enough. You're just part of the community. You're not suppose to be "in the background". To prove to us all that your true intent is to create the type of society that The Venus Project advocates, you must be part of the talks regarding leaderless, community management of the website, forum and philosophy.

Peter Joseph wrote:

So – please – have some tact and respect.

Manila English wrote:

I have been very respectful toward you and everyone. And I have been very tactful about addressing your lack of discussion or endorsement of discussions or efforts to distribute control to the community instead of hand picked moderators.

Peter Joseph wrote:

Also, there is no such thing as "my point of view" here- I am simply restating the data that has been collected.

Manila English wrote:

That’s a strawman. The issue is that you control the website and won’t allow the community to post “what has already been collected”. Additionally, telling me that there “[is no my] point of view” is very dishonest.

Manila English wrote:

[quote]Apparently the way TVP handles conflicts is via censorship of an entire organization? Is that what you’re advocating?[quote]

Peter Joseph wrote:

This is even more hilarious...where do these people come from?

Manila English wrote:

These people? Who are “these people” exactly? And who are you to wave off criticism? You’re just one motivated person, who newly discovered TVP after its 30 year existence. Your passion and investment in the project over the last couple years is very admiral and I am thankful to you and respect you for the success of spreading Jacque Fresco’s vision.

By the way, I’ve received all my information from Jacque Fresco’s recordings just like you. I’ve read the book just like you. I’ve seen the TV interviews just like you. I also have my own brain and can think for myself. I’ve traveled the wold. In fact, I live abroad. I speak a few languages. You could be trying to

make an ally here. Your conceit limits you. I'll be waiting for you apology yet don't expect I'll ever see it.

Peter Joseph wrote:

If you think the RBOSE has anything to do with what TZM/TVP is actually doing/advocating, you are way off.

Manila English wrote:

Again. You actually have to read through all my posts to address me properly. I've already stated that I've discovered RBOSE only recently. What I've seen is that they advocate a Resource Based Economy, a city to support a RBE and they actively support an open society where anyone can participate. That last part you have stated is something you say you advocate in one of your videos yet don't actually do.

So instead of trying to wave me off or ban me from your forum for addressing these issues (which would result in yet another new blog advocating against Zeitgeist instead of for it), how about you address the real issue and tell us the differences

between RBOSE's philosophy and Zeitgeist's.

It was Jacque Fresco who said that "A church divided is no church at all". Not that TVP or RBE is a religion. Only that this statement applies for all organizations, not just churches. And Carl Sagan said (I was watching him on PBS before you were born by the way) that we are all one organism and an organism at war with itself is doomed.

Peter Joseph wrote:

[LOCKED]

Manila English wrote:

Yet the dictator implies there are no leaders (and thus no dictator), nor that he “promotes” his thoughts above others.

So what are you going to do, Peter? Are you going to continue to be hostile toward supporters and further splinter the movement? Or are you going to acknowledge everything I’ve said, take the criticism as an intellectual, put aside hostilities towards me by apologizing and become willing to work with me on creating a community powered solution?

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What Are Conspiracy Theories? Whether you use the internet frequently, attend protests or activist group meetings, or you are just

the social type who strikes up conversations with people while waiting in a long line, chances are you've met them. They are the few, the informed, the truly enlightened among the mass of sheep of which we ignorant are a part. More often than not they inform us that they were once naïve and unenlightened just like us, ... [Read More](#)

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The Zeitgeist Movement – A Critical Review

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Over the last couple of months, mainly since Zeitgeist Movement (TZM) members began trekking to our forums, I've gotten a lot of emails from TZM members asking me various questions. This post is to outline the topics covered in my correspondence with said members.

I'll likely update this page as I get feedback from people.

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Primarily the issues discussed are why I believe TZM will fail and why I think it's impossible to find common ground with TZM. I want to be clear that, given a different set of circumstances which I will discuss, maybe TZM could be successful and we could find common ground, but if things don't change, neither will my stance.

Peter Joseph

The leader of TZM, Peter Joseph, is far more damaging to his own movement than I imagine many of the hardcore members want to believe:

He's a conspiracy theorist.

His movies are fairly clear about that, but also his [rantings](#) on other web sites as well. The most common response to this from members is the phrase *the movies aren't the movement*, but I'll get into that later. He isn't stupid, however, because he knows that being an open truther is a detriment, he rarely talks about about 9/11, but he will ban members for debunking 9/11 conspiracy theories, but not ban members for promoting them — but meanwhile claiming that the reason the debunker was banned was because the movement isn't about 9/11 [[read more](#)]

He's smug, arrogant, and not even close to charming.

Success in social movements, especially ones that are fringe, need someone who is perceivably in touch with the average person, but Peter Joseph is not — this is why the Tea Party movement is much more successful. He's closed off from the rest of the world for the most part, and until recently barely showed his face outside of ZDay. He goes out of his way to [attack](#) his perceived enemies, rather than one-upping them. When he's called a hero, which occurred twice in [this thread alone](#), he does not deny it, instead he talks about how much time and effort he's sacrificed for the "movement." It's not sexy and it's not impressive, especially when the movement has never done a single thing to help another human being.

He has the inability to be wrong

Peter Joseph will often hang on to a belief that has no purpose and is detrimental to him, simply because he does not want to be perceived as being incorrect. He's never admitted to being incorrect about anything outside of a typo, or some vague reference. He used both Alex Jones and Helena Blavatsky as sources, then later on claimed he never had heard of Alex Jones or had read anything by Helena Blavatsky, because they're both quacks.

More could be said about Peter Joseph, and is said in later sections, but our forums are full of former TZM members who shed even more light on the emerging cult of personality around him.

The most important issue here is that Peter Joseph is the leader of TZM and his word is law, despite claiming that he doesn't consider himself the leader, he acts unilaterally to forbid members for talking to outsiders, for example banning members who post on our forums that aren't glorifying him.

Movies Aren't the Movement

Something that I never stop hearing is the phrase *the movies aren't the movement*. This referring to the fact that the movies promote conspiracy theories, but TZM is something else entirely, and exists separately from the movement. I would believe that if not for the following issues:

1. The movement originated out of the movies, and has the same name. Whether or not you desire for people to equate them, they always will.
2. Peter Joseph uses the movement to attack people, such as myself and others, who disagree with his films — if they were truly separate, he wouldn't do this.
3. Members at meetings still show the films, the films are passed out to promote the movement, and even Peter Joseph himself says that the movies are the primary way they recruit new members.
4. The Zeitgeist movie web site links to The Zeitgeist Movement on the [Activism](#) page.
5. Most hardcore members are conspiracy theorists, a search on the forums alone shows hundreds of references to the earthquake in Haiti being “man made.”
6. Once you have to start explaining to people that the movies and movement aren't the same, the battle is lost, you're already a laughing stock. Just like how the Communist Party has to explain how the Soviet Union/China/etc isn't what they had in mind either.

Fuck Everyone Else

A lot of people don't like that I use foul language, but I needed to display the utter lack of compassion for other human

beings TZM leadership seems to have, as well as some hardcore members. The situation in Haiti, again, is a great example of this — reading many posts on the forums from members, it's quite clear that unless The Venus Project (TVP) is going to be the solution to the problems in Haiti, there's no use in helping them after the earthquake there.

What are YOU doing?

I get asked “well, what are YOU doing to improve the world?” by TZM members a lot. I constantly bring up that I volunteer pretty much every weekend and I donate 10% of my income to charity, and a lot of time I will donate more than that. Most come back with the fact “charity doesn't fix the problem.” While they're right that charity doesn't fix the problem permanently, sitting on a forum doesn't either — though some members have the audacity to claim that TZM is a charity, despite never lifting a finger for anyone else.

The example I use when talking to TZM members about this is:

If you saw a starving/dying man in the street, would you do something to help him, or would you say “once our movement gets to 50 million members, I'll be able to help you, but until then, see you later!”?

That's essentially the logic behind the leadership of TZM and what many members parrot to me, just in a much nicer way. They *love* talking about how many children are starving to death *today*, but they refuse to help them *today*, and instead speak of some far off future that they can't figure out how to get to.

I know and understand that not all TZM members are like this. I've seen some wonderful generosity and so forth coming from members, but more often than not, these members also don't follow Peter Joseph blindly, because the one who do, refuse to help anyone else.

General Problems

Here's a list of problems that I believe TZM has:

1. There's no leadership accountability. Peter Joseph is the de facto leader of TZM, there's absolutely no democratic, technocratic, or meritocratic way for anyone else to effect change within the movement. If there was, I imagine that the movies and conspiracy theories would be pushed even further away, and Peter Joseph would no longer be center stage — which is why it won't happen.

2. **The members are perceived as conspiracy theorists and the movement a conspiracy movement, despite all of the effort members put into claiming this isn't the case — just because you say the movies aren't the movement, doesn't mean that people will buy it.**
3. **They make no effort to actively help anyone. If they want people to trust that they can improve the world, they need to show that they are capable of it, until then they're just a forum on the Internet like any other. I often talk about how the single mother with two kids in daycare and three jobs has no reason to listen to them, so why should she? Until they can actively provide a reason for her to, she'll never give a shit, and neither will anyone else.**
4. **The movement is primarily idealistic young people, not qualified engineers, scientists, and so forth. Despite the fact that the movement promotes anti-credentialism (attacking people with credentials, and trusting those that have none) they still desire to have members that *do* have credentials to make themselves look credible.**
5. **No one cares about ZDay. This is the yearly big meeting of TZM, and in 2009 Peter Joseph said that if things kept growing at the current rate by 2010 they would be in Madison Square Garden. Well, they weren't and ZDay was a flop outside of a few big cities with a terrible turn out. The main motive, media attention, failed to work as well, because outside of member-written articles, there was essentially no mention of it at all.**
6. **The movement is perceived as anti-religious, this is in part due to the first film, but also because Peter Joseph and hardcore members still promote Acharya S as some kind of super-scholar. Anti-religion didn't work for the Communist Party in the United States, and it sure as hell isn't going to work for TZM.**
7. **Criticism, even constructive criticism, is taboo within TZM and often leads to members (even ones that have been around since the beginning and are very useful to the movement) to be banned.**
8. **Peter Joseph is more concerned with being right, than being useful — discussed in his section above. Despite making claims like “11 = 12” he claims his critics, such as myself, are actually the ones who are “intellectually inhibited” and are thus “mentally ill.” Calling your critics mentally ill isn't a great way to succeed, again this is a situation where one-upping them by showing you mean what you say would work better, but he'd rather just hurl insults.**
9. **Peter Joseph claims that the people on the TZM mailing list are active members, when in reality about 1/10th the amount even signed up for the forums. He's a long way off from 50 million members, a number which he's mentioned should be reached before anything useful can happen with the movement.**

10. **Many of the defenders of the movies (usually the ones who are also screaming *the movies aren't the movement*) actually believe them, not only that on the forums countless members promote pseudoscience.**

There could be more added here later.

Future of TZM

I don't really see a future for TZM outside of degrading to hardcore members. Peter Joseph talks about a new movie coming out in October of 2010 that's going to get "millions" of new members, so essentially nearly 2 years of doing nothing but waiting for yet another film are what TZM has to show for.

I think it's all a shame, however, because getting all of those people together *could* have done something, *could* have lead to actual success in some way, but it's not even close to that. This hasn't stopped members from discussing the transition to the Resource Based Economy, despite the fact they're discussing step 10,000 when they haven't even reached step 1 and don't seem to want to.

At this point is essentially a way to stroke Peter Joseph's ego rather than accomplish any goals.

What I Would Change

Sometimes I'm asked what I'd change about TZM, in order to make it more acceptable. Well, while I don't think most of these changes are possible due to the way TZM is run, I usually humor those who ask:

1. **Make leadership accountable to members: a mix of democratic and technocratic hierarchy.**
2. **Create a criticisms forum: even I have a corrections forum and don't ban people for claiming I'm wrong.**
3. **Actually *listen* to what members have to say.**
4. **Ditch the movies and shut down the movie site, create a video saying the movies have *seriously nothing to do with the movement* and tell members not to hand them out anymore.**
5. **Change the name, it's already the butt of ridicule.**

So, essentially my "5 point plan" is completely incompatible with a movement where Peter Joseph is the overlord.

Further Reading

Would you like to know more?

- **Blog:** [The Zeitgeist Movement: Conspiracies Are Us!](#)
- **Blog:** [A Response to the Zeitgeist Movement's Diagnosis of "Intellectual Inhibition."](#)
- **Blog:** [TZM/Peter Joseph want to drag you into the abyss](#)
- **Blog:** [Zeitgeist Movement Blunders](#)
- **Blog:** [What I learned about conspiracy theorists](#)
- **Forum:** [What do the Zeitgeist Movement chapters do? \(Answer: essentially nothing\)](#)
- **Forum:** [Letter To Peter Merola](#)
- **Forum:** [Peter BANNED me from the ZGM](#)

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[Zeitgeist Movement entrance test results](#)

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The test appears to be rigged no matter how you take it and answer the scores fluctuate and are not correct. It is simply a way to reduce people from quickly entering.

See here for a discussion on it.

<http://conspiracyscience.com/forums/topic/answers-to-zeitgeist-test>

Also here is a cheat sheet for anyone wanting quick entry and to test the claims of conspiracy science members:

<http://www.aaronmhatch.com/zeitgeist.html>

In the view of the movement, technological tools are considered:

X Extensions of the human being's performance

Attributes of progress

Destructive to the environment

Neutral to the labor market

Who made the following statement: "Greed and Competition are not the result of immutable human temperament...greed and fear of scarcity are in fact being continuously created and amplified as a direct result of the kind of money we are using... We can produce more than enough food to feed everybody...but there is clearly not enough money to pay for it all. The scarcity is in our national currencies. In fact, the job of the central banks is to create and maintain that currency scarcity. The direct consequence is that we have to fight with each other in order to survive."

Milton Friedman

John Maynard Keynes

Jacque Fresco

X Bernard Lietaer

The role of people in a monetary system can be broken into the following categories:

X Employee, Consumer, Employer

Laborer, Investor, Producer
Owner, Slave, Executioner
Wage Earner, Corporation, Investor

The most basic fundamental building blocks of human/social survival are:

X Energy, raw materials, food/air/water
Energy, education, social capital
Raw materials, labor, education
God, money, flags

Based on current studies, increased income inequality is linked to:

Increased social capital
X Increased crime
Decreased vanity
Decreased consumption

The Venus Project, as an idea in its most simplistic form, represents:

The application of collectivism for social operation
A socialist solution to environmental and social problems
A technocracy based method of global Management
X The application of the scientific method for social concern

It is suggested that an efficient housing structure of the future be made of:

Glass and steel
Wood frames
X Pre-stressed concrete
Steel and heat concentrators

When it comes to the financial system, the movement, in the long term, advocates:

financial reform by way of removing Central Banks
X the removal of money itself as a means of exchange

removal of interest
going back to a gold or silver standard

Most “crimes” in the world are a consequence of:

Genetic dispositions
X Monetary deprivation
Social misunderstanding
Ego

In the process of transitioning to a RBE, which is the most important first step:

Survey social needs
Optimize production/distribution methods
X Survey the planetary resources
Automate labor

The entire global market system is most dependent on the following attribute to sustain economic growth:

Employment
Money creation
X Cyclical consumption
Interest rates

A resource-based economy is best defined as:

A NWO trick to reduce the population
X A social system designed to manage resources, automate production/distribution and remove money and trade
A theory dealing with energy distribution through credits
A social system based on no money, with a strict, equal amount of resources given to citizens

In the view of the movement, the incentive to acquire money results in:

X Corruption more than contributions to social progress
Social progress and creativity
Stock market manipulation

Material progress but spiritual distortion

When social values are not in tandem with progressive technological changes, this is termed:

X Culture lag

Traditional paralysis

Luddite demeanor

Traditional flux

In a resource-based economy, scarcity will be overcome through:

Substitutions, energy certificates

Renewable energies and mandatory labor

X Technological ingenuity, substitutions, waste reduction & conservation

Legal limits on consumption and waste reduction

Virtually all money in the American economy and most economies in the world is generated:

X Out of debt, through loans

Out of a gold standard

By government request

Out of a silver standard

What is the main, core reason why the Venus Project's resource-based economy is needed?

Social values are too distorted and need renovation.

X Our current system is simply unsustainable.

Money will result in growing elitism and stratification.

Poverty is growing exponentially.

Which term below best completes the following statement: "Profit based shortcuts in production, coupled with the deliberate withholding of efficiency in the creation of a given product, is known as _____."

Production corruption

X Planned obsolescence

Product duplication protocol

Marketing magnification

Abundance, sustainability and efficiency are _____.
impossible in a world bound by natural law.
ideal attributes of a socialistic society.
required for survival in a monetary system.
X the enemies of profit.

In regard to religious traditions in a resource-based economy:
X Everyone is free to practice.
It is regulated through a “free speech agency.”
It is outlawed.
It is mandatory to worship the sun god Horus.

40% of the annual deaths worldwide are caused by:
Disease and malnutrition
War, poverty and genocide
X Water, air and soil pollution
GMO foods

In a resource-based economy, what kind of theory best describes the total approach to Earth management?
Entropy
Thermodynamics
Nonlinear dynamics
X Systems

The basic approach to reducing aberrant human behavior in a resource-based economy is:
Reeducation through mandatory schools
Creating community counsels for treatment
Full frontal lobotomies
X Adjusting the environment so such motivations do not materialize

In order to relieve land based population pressures, a RBE would:

- Build 4 mile high buildings
- Move into outer space
- X Extend to cities in the sea
- Have a one child policy

When considering a transition from the current society to a resource-based economy, the most important initial issue is:

- Education
- X Governmental action
- Renewable energies
- Ethical outreach

In a resource-based economy the resources of the planet are deemed:

- Universally related by systems theory
- Tools for social creation
- X Common heritage of all the world's people
- Expressions of symbiotic relationships

The essential role of the Interdisciplinary Teams in a resource-based economy is:

- X To manage society's technical operations
- To serve as the power establishment
- To control the world
- To keep the AI system up to date

Advanced maglev technology is documented to use:

- Less than 5% of the energy for plane travel
- X Less than 2% of the energy for plane travel
- Less than 20% of the energy for plane travel
- Less than 1% of the energy for plane travel

A key attribute in city design within a resource-based economy is:

Embedding all energy harnessing within

Making transport integrated, reducing automobiles

Growing all food locally, when possible

X All of the above

Who made the following statement: “The role of humans as the most important factor of production is bound to diminish in the same way that the role of horses in agricultural production was first diminished and then eliminated by the introduction of tractors.”

Albert Einstein

Buckminster Fuller

Roxanne Meadows

X Wassily Leontief

Which technology will likely make the commercial airplane obsolete?

Lightwave auto-tram

Conveyers

Human teleport

X Maglev trains

From the view of the Movement, the monetary system is basically:

A tool of plutocracy

Annoying

In need of reform

X Obsolete

A central demand of the scientific method is:

Empirical Referents

X Experimentation

Testing

Intuition

Without a monetary system, which of the following will likely no longer exist?

- X Planned obsolescence
- High quality goods
- Labor
- Freedom

The true threats to humanity are:

- Terrorists
- Oligarchs and Money
- Satan
- X Those common to every human being

Which set of alternative energies is TZM/VP most interested in?

- Solar, wind, biomass, tidal, wave
- Solar, clean coal, wind, geothermal
- Biomass, solar, tidal, wave
- X Solar, wave, wind, geothermal, tidal

A true democracy is:

- A mythological idea
- The election of the best person for the job
- Dependent on ethics and culture
- X The election of ideas themselves

What is the basic safeguard against abuse in a resource-based economy?

- Everyone is microchipped and tracked.
- X Once the need for money is surpassed, there will be little inherent reward in abuse.
- People will be reeducated if they do not comply.
- Genetic modification

A central problem(s) with the monetary system is that:

Problems and scarcity equals profit.
Many forms of labor have no value to true social contributions.
The incentive for money leads to corruption.
X All of the above

The free market system has a natural propensity for:

X Monopoly and cartel
Division of labor
Equality and balance
Civil unrest

The true motivation for the act of War is:

Revenge – industrial profit – spreading of ideologies
X Industrial profit – resource acquisition – geopolitical alignment
Resource acquisition – spreading of ideologies – geopolitical alignment
Dispute resolution – spreading of ideologies – industrial profit

Which form of energy has been denoted by MIT to have a potential of 2000 ZJ of power?

X Geothermal
Solar
Wind
Wave

The boom and bust cycle of an economy is caused essentially by:

X The amount of money entering and leaving the economy's money supply
Loss of jobs
Interest rate fluctuation
Inflation and depreciation

Social design must be most directly correlated to:
The state of population growth

The opinions of the population

X The carrying capacity of the Earth

The rate of technological change

Which of the following is most responsible for large social changes:

Elections of competent people

Protest movements

X Biosocial pressures

War

A resource-based economy, by definition, would need to be:

X Global

Socialistic

Free of crime

A circular city

In J. Fresco's circular city design, the outer perimeter is the:

Residential belt

Agricultural belt

Production belt

X Recreational belt

In the view of the movement, today's legal system is best described as:

An ideological dead end

A system of monetary rule

A failed idea

X Patchwork—not addressing root causes

Based on the history of mechanization, it is axiomatic to say that:

Mechanization is more productive than human labor overall

Mechanization can free humanity from stressful labor

Mechanization can be the “emancipation proclamation for human kind”

X All of the above

Dynamic equilibrium occurs when:

X Two or more opposing process proceed at the same rate.

Balances occur between similar processes

Homeostasis is achieved

Systems theory is applied

In the America economy (and most others), there is always more outstanding debt than money in existence. This is largely due to:

Boom and bust cycle

Constant contraction

X Interest charged for loans

Fiat basis of money

The progression of technology appears to be growing at a:

Linear rate

Exponential rate

X Geometric rate

All of the above

The idea/necessity of “property” comes from:

Capitalism

X Scarcity

Democracy

Ego

True security comes from:

Shared values

Police and prisons

X Solving social problems

Economic balance

Technological unemployment is defined as:

X Displacement of human labor by machines

Displacement of human labor by systems theory

Displacement of human labor by failed technological systems

Displacement of human labor by androids

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[Peter Joseph Merola misquoting as usual](#)

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Before we go ahead and thrash his inability to check his sources lets look at the arrogance of this man posting this below:



WHAT WE DO FOR OURSELVES DIES WITH US.
WHAT WE DO FOR OTHERS AND THE WORLD REMAINS AND IS IMMORTAL.
— ALBERT PINE

Hmmmmmmmm.... Is peter implying that the work he is doing for the world is going to make him immortal ? Are we talking hugely misplaced levels of ego here? Peter Merola will be in the annals of history for his work on the three conspiracy movies he has done, and will be remembered as what exactly ? An immortal hero ?

Taken from here: http://zday2010.org/templates/zday2010_splashpage/images/FIRST_PAGE/quote.jpg

Peter Merola uses the above as his signature, funny though for a guy who checks his sources thoroughly he doesnt manage to even get the quote in his signature right.

Albert Pine? who is Albert Pine ?

Lets see shall we ?

Sky has come to the rescue and shown it was Albert Pike... see his post below

Thankyou and goodnight

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[wikipedia calls TZM & TVP cults](#)

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This is a new article to cover ground already covered by the TVP and TZM cults assorted wikipedia pages. Its flagrantly an attempt to promote themselves at the expense of wikipedia article space.

Further more the contents of this article are simply taken from a speech by Peter Joseph Merola, and are not encyclopedic nor noteworthy. [discussing TVP's/TZM's previous attempts to promote themselves on wikipedia]

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Resource-based_economy

It seems that wikipedia has finally cottoned on to the shameless self promoting tactics of TZM and TVP in regards to resource based economics and their claims to be the originators of the idea.

And comically all the evidence the writer for the article provides is the following:

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thats all they offer up as evidence. hahaha

enjoy.

Can also be discussed here:

<http://conspiracyscience.com/forums/topic/rbe-on-tow>

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[The psychological profile of a conspiracy theorist](#)

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A high percentage of the zeitgeist movements followers are conspiracy theorists drawn towards the movement through Peter's deceptive movies. His first two films attribute many facets of societies problems into externalised grand claims, such as the worlds problems are caused by a rigged financial system controlled by the federal bankers whose aim is to ruin the lives of people. This is apparently achieved by manipulation of companies, stocks, inflation/deflation, market biasing and other such matters beyond the scope of my willingness to research.

Likewise the claims that 911 was an inside job by both sides of the fence, the Muslims blaming Israel and usa to incite anti-Muslim emotions, the western world believing it was the corporatocracy trying to manipulate world events to gain monetary control and resource control for their own greed and selfish reasons. Then we move into the religious aspect where all the worlds' problems are blamed on the world's religions, and an attempt to disprove their factuality is carried out through manipulative use of vague unconnected 'facts'.

In short these are your typical conspiracy theorists wet dreams, they are an externalisation of a great enemy so large as to affect everyone's lives and setting them as almost untouchable to the everyday man, providing a level of ambiguity of who is exactly to blame, a level of impotency of action against 'them', all personal failings are attributed to an externalized problem so responsibility through personal decision making and choices is avoided, and finally a level of action becomes futile even if planned and attempted.

This can be seen in the zeitgeist movement where they blame the monetary system for the worlds problems, the world religions for problems, any charitable action is deemed ineffective and useless, and the solution is neatly provided for the member all nicely packaged. None of the problems are the individuals, rather it is others who are the problem and it is larger entities that are to blame for the individual's situation.

Solutions in conspiracy theories usually come in the form of being handed the answers of who is to blame prior to the solutions.

For example in the zeitgeist movement after knowing who to blame the solutions are to boycott religious institutes, boycott banking institutes, boycott corporate ties, relinquish the monetary system completely, and then turn everything over to a new system devoid of any responsibility for the participants. All the solutions for lifes problems are solved and everyone is happy because they automatically get what they need and want for free and with little effort.

This ‘us and them’ mentality is prevalent in conspiracy theorists mind-sets, ordinarily the conspiracy theorist is more prone to distrust and have a disenfranchised mind-set towards general society.

There are a few classifications of conspiracy theories:

Obstructive conspiracies:

A conspiracy whose purpose is to prevent, or at least impede, some event from occurring.

Oppressive conspiracies:

Purport to explain perceived social inequalities or perceived political disenfranchisement.

Deceptive conspiracies:

Dedicated to presenting the illusion that the root cause of some social, economic, or political problem is something other than actual cause.

All three of the above are present in Peter Joseph’s movies; this is not unique to only his movies and a brief watch of many other conspiracists like Alex Jones and David Icke whose conspiracies are more extreme and obvious will show exact traits. A conspiracy theory need not always be obvious, often they take the form of a mistrustful statement against an individual that may or may not be based in fact, but attribute a level of power of the ‘master’ over the ‘slaves’. For example a mistrust of the government official, or the local police force or something along those lines. This simple matter can then escalate into fully blown conspiracies as the rumour increases in popularity and numbers discussing it.

In recent years conspiracy theories have become popularised in mainstream television programmes and in news events, quite often when something large happens it is instantly blamed on something large, For instance the recent Haiti earthquakes were blamed on an unknown technology the governments were using HAARP, the recent airplane crash of the Polish parliament was blamed on Electro Magnetic Pulse weapons, the recent volcano in Iceland is some mysterious government experiment, Lady Diana’s car crash was not just a simple accident. This has created an increase in populations having mistrust and irrational beliefs.

The larger the impact of the event the more bizarre and extreme the conspiracy theories become, it is a uniqueness of the conspiracy theorists mindset to avoid accepting the mundane answer and take on a preference for the unlikeliest of answers.

This all feeds rather neatly into the zeitgeist movement because having the ability to blame a huge system like the

monetary society we live in and a few elitist fat controllers, allows the movement to avoid their own failings to incorporate into this society as well as allows them to rationalise an untested solution that is of itself a pre made solution handed to them.

[Goertzel, Ted (1994): Belief in Conspiracy Theories, Political Psychology 15: 733-744] States that belief in conspiracy theories is correlated with

- anomia, the respondent stated a belief that he/she felt alienated or disaffection relative to “the system;”
- a tendency to distrust other people; and
- a feeling of insecurity regarding continued employment.

These above characteristics again fit neatly into the zeitgeist movements membership and administration, and it can be seen clearly that the attraction to their movement is actually hinged upon the concepts above being the factors to blame for societies problems. Another interesting point to note is that these conditions are claimed to not be solely fixed in any particular gender, age, sex preference or nationality, which adds to the reason of the potential popularity of the movement. Though it is claimed that all minorities [race/sexual preference etc..] are more prone to the anomia characteristics because of inherent experience with oppression and phobias leading to mistrust, lack of social standing from lack of employment security.

So you want explanations why the movement is as it is, the above gives a rational explanation.

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[The science that is missing and completely wrong in the venus project](#)

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This will be an ongoing adapted thread. Watch and learn.

Firstly I will discuss the Scientific Method:

Scientific method refers to a body of techniques for investigating phenomena, acquiring new knowledge, or correcting and integrating previous knowledge. To be termed scientific, a method of inquiry must be based on gathering observable, empirical and measurable evidence subject to specific principles of reasoning. A scientific method consists of the collection of data through observation and experimentation, and the formulation and testing of hypotheses.

Although procedures vary from one field of inquiry to another, identifiable features distinguish scientific inquiry from other methodologies of knowledge. Scientific researchers propose hypotheses as explanations of phenomena, and design experimental studies to test these hypotheses. These steps must be repeatable in order to dependably predict any future results. Theories that encompass wider domains of inquiry may bind many independently derived hypotheses together in a coherent, supportive structure. This in turn may help form new hypotheses or place groups of hypotheses into context.

Among other facets shared by the various fields of inquiry is the conviction that the process must be objective to reduce biased interpretations of the results. Another basic expectation is to document, archive and share all data and methodology so they are available for careful scrutiny by other scientists, thereby allowing other researchers the opportunity to verify results by attempting to reproduce them. This practice, called *full disclosure*, also allows statistical measures of the reliability of these data to be established.

The above lays out what the Scientific Method actually is, since the Venus Project and The Zeitgeist Movement have absolutely no actual data they have gathered, other than speculation and anecdotes it is precise to say they are not even imposing the scientific method.

They could wriggle out of this by claiming they use observable facets of society [relating this to empirical evidence], but since the observations they tend to make and utilise are based on flawed opinions, conspiracy theories, and Jacques utilisation of other peoples research he has not validated himself we can throw this one out straight away.

Since they have actively shown by their admin behaviour and from Jacque & Roxanne lack of ability to advance and correct their knowledge and even integrate new ideas into their plans we can throw this out.

Since they have no empirical and measurable data or evidence to validate any claims they make we can throw this out.

Since they have carried out no experimentations on their spurious claims we can throw this one out.

Since they havent formulated any hypothesis and ran any tests to validate them whatsoever from any of the above quantifiable details we can throw this one out.

Since everything must be objective and free from biases to be considered a true scientific method we can throw this one out too, their forum and claims are riddled with self-defensive biases.

Since nothing on their forum or what Jacque claims is laid out in specific steps and can be considered a repeatable scientific method and experiment we can throw this one out.

Since Jacque does not allow anything he claims to have documented or calculated to be viewed and scrutinised and retested by any scientific peers, since there is no full disclosure and no apparent fully documented tests and data collection we can throw this one out.

Peters videos have been scrutinised and critiqued and long since proven factually incorrect on many fundamental grounds, including statements made and conclusions, and he has not attempted once to redress his mistakes or correct them publicly after being pointed out, this goes completely against the scientific method.

Bear in mind there is not a single scientist carrying out any tests, data collection, experimentation, hypothesis making for the entire venus project. everything is based on Jacques claims.

So what we are left with is their claim to use the scientific method and to talk about existing scientific breakthroughs and updates on their forum, which has little implications to the venus project. Jacques plan is unchangeable and its his way or no way at all. He himself has nothing to offer but anecdotal stories from his long forgotten past with no evidence to provide what he is saying is true and testable.

More to come.

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[Open Source Ecology review TVP & TZM](#)

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My reactions on viewing the Zeitgeist orientation video.

Scientific method: the video and web sites talk a lot about scientific method, but as far as I can tell, these people aren't actually doing any science. They aren't forming hypotheses, designing experiments, collecting data and forming conclusions. There's no list of open questions and proposed experiments. The video is just assertion piled on top of assertion.

Computer-assisted government: why don't they have some software that I can download that will help me make better decisions? Seriously. If they don't have software that will help one person make better decisions, why would I believe that computers can run a city or a planet?

Lack of a prototype city: if these people believe that a society that doesn't use money can build cities, they can't exactly use lack of money as an excuse for not having built their prototype after 30 years.

Update:

Let me make it clear that I am not criticizing the vision of a society without money. Yes, of course, we come in peace, we share many of the same values. I'm criticizing the lack of tangible progress. There are many open source success stories: Linux, Wikipedia, RepRap, Arduino, Life-Trac, Liberator CEB press, etc. The Venus Project has accomplished... what?

Someone points out that a project the size of a city takes a while to get going. Yes, of course, but that's not a feature, it's a bug. The vision is too grandiose, too top-down. Better to work from the bottom up. Walk before you run. Build a village before you build a city. Build a house before you build a village. Try different things, make mistakes, learn from them.

Kubuguy, thanks for the additional info. I will do some reading.

My reactions were based on 90 minutes of viewing the orientation video... via a link you provided. As far I could tell from the video, TZM is a monolithic organization, with a uniform belief system, and Peter Joseph is TZM's official spokesman. The Venus Project also seemed to be organized around the work of one man.

Now you tell me that TZM is decentralized and there is room for a spectrum of opinions. I'm shocked, SHOCKED I tell you! Pleased, but shocked.

You might avoid misunderstandings like mine if you explain the situation to people before they watch the video instead of after.

Social organization is an empirical problem. You try different things and you see what works. Alternatively, you look at existing communities.

ZM treats social organization as a theoretical problem. JF spent the last 30 years designing a system, now PJ is telling everybody how great it is. Nobody is doing experiments, nobody is collecting data.

I suspect that different people will prefer different forms of organization. The ZM approach is top-down and doesn't accomodate this. The open-source approach is bottom-up and does. Direct democracy vs. contractual voluntary association? Not even a problem. The DD advocates set up DD communities and the CVA advocates set up CVA communities. Maybe one works and one doesn't. Maybe they both work. Doesn't matter.

This all seems rather disingenuous. If my reaction to the orientation video had been very positive, would you be saying "wait, not so fast, don't jump to conclusions, this is not a monolithic group"? I don't think so.

Anyway, instead of arguing that there's no such thing as a monolithic group, why not point me to a TZM video by someone other than Peter Joseph? Or maybe you could describe a few areas where TZM people disagree with each other. Better yet, tell us where YOU think Peter Joseph is wrong about something.

<http://factorefarm.org/content/zeitgeist-venus-project-vaporware#comment-412>

The usual hound dogs & gatekeepers from TZM arrive to dispute it.

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[Earth 2 movie Fails \[For the Venus Project\] and creators cut Fresco loose !](#)

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We always said we were on a journey; a journey of exploration, a journey of learning. Given the subject matter of Earth 2.0 – namely the new operating principles our species needs to employ if we are to have a sustainable biospherical future – creative ups and downs in the pre-production process were always going to be inevitable. But it still came as a distinct shock to us when we got into a bit of a rumble with The Venus Project (see an earlier blog article about our initial visit to The Venus Project a few months back). Well, it started out as a bit of a rumble but soon escalated to the point where we were forced to part company with working with them. In retrospect this is no bad thing and has meant that we are learning to stand on our own two feet independently of other projects. After all, we are making an independent movie and our creativity is at the behest of no

organisation or movement (other than the biosphere of course).

Signs of looming trouble began in New York in mid-March. We were there to meet up again with Jacque Fresco (director of The Venus Project) along with his partner Roxanne Meadows. They were appearing at the annual Z-Day event (part of the Zeitgeist Movement). Now, up until this point we had been working very closely with Jacque. Indeed, we had lined him up to be the first main ‘actor’ in Earth 2.0. We wanted to him to delineate the core principles of The Venus Project such as the sharing of the Earth’s resources. In fact, the idea has been to focus one section of Earth 2.0 on the notion of sharing and all that this implies.

The trouble began one morning over breakfast. As we sat and talked in a 71st Street restaurant, a background ‘issue’ came to the fore once more. Basically, Jacque and Roxanne do not like metaphysics. Anything spiritual or pertaining to the expansion of consciousness is anathema to The Venus Project. They even refer to popular spiritual ideas as “verbal masturbation”. We knew this harsh stance of theirs only too well from previous meetings but had not let it interfere with our collaboration. Yet it was becoming ever more clear, at least to us, that The Venus Project will not be able to deliver its healing promise all by itself but needs to be driven by raised consciousness and changed values, both of which are psychological in nature and also unavoidably connected to emotion and spirit.

In other words, it is not enough to change social conditions and surround people with humane and intelligently applied technology (Mr Fresco’s futurising revolves around this). All that means nothing if people themselves do not change inwardly in terms of their consciousness and their values. No matter how prevalent you make resources, no matter how utopian you engineer culture, no matter how efficient your mag-lev trains are, no matter how free you are of laborious work, people will still remain subject to petty negative emotions and will still have unhealthy relationships with one another. They will still identify with various exclusive groups, they will still be mean and angry and envious and be subject to all those other negative manifestations that we suffer from. These negative aspects of the human psyche are mechanical (i.e. they happen on their own) and effect us all regardless of external conditions. Yes, you can certainly design a culture which brings out the best in people and which does away with scarcity and financial corruption and such. But unless people develop themselves inwardly through mindfulness and self-knowledge, they will still find something to covet, something to get angry about, something to compete over, something to bear a grudge over, something to form a chip on the shoulder about, someone to be angry at, someone to fight with, someone to make into an enemy, someone to be envious of, and so on. And it is through a lack of consciousness and attentiveness to our relationships that leads to all of the above. Relationships are everything. Our relationships, with others and also toward environmental

influences, define our lives. The chief problems of humanity therefore boil down to unhealthy relationships – with one another, with the rest of the biospherical web of life, and, ultimately, with the rest of the cosmos. Consider how luxurious our lives are now compared with people living in the Middle Ages (back then there was no running water, no electricity, no shops, no cheap clothing, no fast food, no public transport, no spare time, no media, no internet, no mobile phones, no NHS, no welfare, no human rights, etc). We in the West now have pretty much everything in comparison. Yet we are still subject to stress, depression, existential malaise, greed, ego inflation, hatred, ecological insensitivity, racism, alcoholic violence, religious war, along with all manner of other negative manifestations and problematic relationships.

Thus, to reiterate, only inner psychological change – a change in values, an increase in self-knowledge, and a changed conception of our relationship to the biosphere and to one another – can pave the way toward healthy long term cultural change. Which means that radical personal change must precede radical social change. Our culture and all that our culture values and promotes is a direct reflection of the values of the collective psyche. If we change our minds and our values, if we become more sensitive to the life-support system that is the biosphere, if we change how we relate to one another and to the rest of Nature, if we upgrade our conception of the meaning of life, then our culture will change also.

Anyhow, we told Jacque and Roxanne that alongside The Venus Project our film will perforce feature other positive directions for change, other important visionary ideas. In particular, along with sharing, we will likely feature a section on symbiosis as well as a section pertaining to consciousness and self-knowledge (i.e. those ideas and practices that directly address the inner world outlined above). Plus a section on the various technologies at our disposal that can help to promote sharing, symbiosis and a new relationship with the rest of Nature. And all done in an artistic cinematic style.

Sounds fair enough? Not so. Explaining that Earth 2.0 wanted to present other strands of thought alongside the ideals of The Venus Project caused tremendous consternation. It soon became clear that The Venus Project is so rigid and inflexible that it will not associate itself with any other ideas. Worse, when we tried to explain why we wanted to feature a section on symbiosis (because it is a sustainable operating principle long employed throughout the web of life), Jacque and Roxanne would not have it. Indeed, they would not even allow the conversation to proceed forward. And I dearly wanted to tell them about mitochondria (the energy producing organelles inside our cells that have their own DNA thereby revealing their symbiotic origins). But it was impossible. They did not wish to listen.

This stubborn conviction that The Venus Project possesses the only practical way to solve the world's problems proved to be so marked that voices became raised. Yet we bent over backwards trying to reason with them. Surely being featured in a major release cinematic film would be for the best and would help them to spread their message regardless if it was included as part of a broader spectrum of new ideas? I mean, their Florida residence was at that time for sale. They need publicity and funds. But no, they adamantly refused to mix their ideas with other ideas, particularly if those other ideas were about learning from Nature or about metaphysics and self-knowledge. And so it was that we parted company.

Looking back on these events, what we have learned is that one can differentiate between The Venus Project (a rigid organisation) and some of the ideas it promotes (which are adaptable). For instance, the idea that the Earth's resources be shared and that mankind behave like the global family that it actually is, is not a new idea nor is it copyrighted to The Venus Project. In fact, much of what Jacque Fresco talks about and writes about is voiced by any number of wise people. Thus, Earth 2.0 will still explore the notion of sharing planetary wealth and behaving toward one another in a non-competitive non-profit way. And rather than focus on the circular cities of Jacque Fresco, Earth 2.0 will look at current urban upgrades and current technologies that can bring us back into harmony with the larger biospherical system of which we are a part. Indeed, Earth 2.0 will look at what the web of life can teach us about sustainable behaviour – after all, life has had three and a half billion years to hone the art of sustainability.

Returning to the notion that the world is made of relationships and that it is relationships that must evolve and be upgraded if we are to have a sustainable planetary tenure – this notion of relationships came to the fore with the break with The Venus Project. For the plain fact of the matter is that The Venus Project is, by its very nature, incapable of relating to many people. It is as though it has been in a bubble for the last 30 years, separated from the rest of the world, and has lost the power of empathetic communication. So whereas Mr Fresco can speak well on stage about various subjects, as far as current trends are concerned wherein people are upgrading their lives in an eco-friendly way, this is something that seems outside the scope of The Venus Project (having visited the sprawling headquarters of The Venus Project numerous times it is rather ironic that, despite copious Florida sunshine, there are no solar panels, nor are there any signs of home-grown vegetables).

The biggest problem however is when the issue at hand turns to mind and spirit – for this is something that leaves The Venus Project cold and mute. Yet we are all in this reality together and thus we have to relate to one another via common ground. This common ground is the biosphere, Nature, the web of life on Earth, that

larger life support system into which humanity is woven. And the common ground is also our inner life, our consciousness. This too we share and this too we can upgrade. All this must be taken into account by Earth 2.0. So now we stand on our own two feet and now we move forward with determination and confidence. This is the Way.

Simon G. Powell – Earth 2.0 scriptwriter – April 2010

<http://earth2movie.blogspot.com/2010/04/earth-20-finds-its-own-way.html>

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So someone named jmpeer came on the forum and told Zeitgeist members whats what today. I found it amusing.

http://thezeitgeistmovement.com/joomla/index.php?option=com_kunena&Itemid=99999&func=view&catid=231&id=240877

jmpeer: “I’m wondering where you get your information?
Where do you publish your sources?
I don’t acknowledge things until they’re indisputably proven,
and unfortunately, your sources, particularly with the debunking of
religion, are challenged quite a bit.
Little bits of evidence, testimonies, and reasoning aren’t enough.
You have to make your case clear beyond all doubt.
Who orchestrates your media and site?
You need to touch em both up.
Your general organization and presentation aren’t too effective,
as shiny and inspirational as you might think it is,

you really do need to make them less doubtful, more organized, and less sketchy. You need to actually prove your case and jump on it if it's worth anything. Gettin shit across really isn't hard."

Well, you know the drill, they all rush in to argue the guy's point and nit pick his grammar, etc. Then an admin steps in:

Admin: "Obviously you have taken little time to review our materials. Very soon there will be a test to gain entrance into this forum for the sake of making sure these kinds of posts are at a minimum.

The Z Movies are merely inspirations for TZM. You have to actually review our materials to understand what we are doing.

Please review the following before posting more."

PDF Orientation:

**www.thezeitgeistmovement.com/The%20Zeitgeist%20Move
video.google.com/videoplay?docid=393248704316363626
vimeo.com/78575**

vimeo.com/79388

vimeo.com/63469

vimeo.com/78668

vimeo.com/7866864

www.thezeitgeistmovement.com/A-Designing...tureE-BOOK-

www.thezeitgeistmovement.com/joomla/inde...;id=28&Item [1]

"Until you do so, you really have no busniess being here."

Then jmpeer: You're very rude and naive, especially for an admin, to assume I haven't visited those materials before. What you've suggested is again irrelevant. I'm not talking about your pretty face. I'm talking about the little wart on the side of your pretty face. Perhaps you're good at reading the context of things since stating it directly didn't seem to phase you. Your failure to understand what I'm saying is a problem for you, not for my satisfaction.

Please reread my posts and try to understand what I have pointed out. And bear in mind your judgement isn't exactly best when it comes to evaluating yourself, so think as if you were not a member on Zeitgeist."

The little wart on the side of your pretty face. Haha. Just goes to show how Zeitgeist comes off as a bunch of wannabe intellectual space cadets to the very people they try to appeal to. So now they are going to administer a test for forum

members? Initiation!

[1] *These links posted to the Zeitgeist current propaganda videos and reading materials the admin want all members to research and are required to understand, I am assuming this is the kind of material that they will test potential members of the cult on, I have seen fit to remove advertising this here.*

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[All this has happened before](#)

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All this has happened before and is happening again By Shane Nolan

“The environmental move ment was basically hijacked by political and social activists,who came in and very cleverly learned how to use green rhetoric and green language to cloak agendas that had more to do with anti-corporatism,anti-globalisation, anti – business and very little to with science and ecology..and that is when I left” – Patrick Moore founder and former president of Greenpeace

After finally realising my life long dream to get into college I began writing little tidbits and ideas that had formed in my head over the past year of how my main interest in life, science could be used for the betterment of mankind. This at least more noble rather than for being bastardized for the corruptible ideologies of capitalism and communism throughout the cold war era and again when history repeated itself during the first decade of our current century with the politicization of this field allowing it to be essentially hijacked by both democrats and republicans globally first with the “sexed up” Iraq WMD documents and then the global warming debacle we had .So I did research and looked into new and emerging technologies that relieve the worlds ills from poverty,environmental degradation etc.

Unfortunately as I had just enrolled in a four-year college course and my work suffered to the point that it had to be abandoned altogether. So one idle weekend I was searching for videos on Richard Dawkins (by then I had become interested in the creationism/intelligent design and evolution debate and happened across a video called “The Truth about Religion” on you tube and was amazed at what a steaming pile of shit this was as I was laughing out loud It wasn’t until an idle Saturday in February of 2009 that I watched the same video again to disprove it my self that I found out it was from an internet conspiracy movie called “Zeitgeist”(which I eventually watched in full...and laughed even more) and there was another more factual(I’m stretching the word here) sequel called Addendum.

So after watching Addendum I was enamoured by the Zeitgeist Movements goal and Jacques Fresco since I agreed (and still do) with on some, but not all of the views he had to present particularly on education. Addendum was a relief that at least someone got the concept out. Due to this passion for all the concepts of the movement I had long believed in I became one of those people who used every social networking site, similarly themed videos on you tube and even yahoo answers to defend and “spread the message” of the movie (Addendum only). I was treading that thin line between calm rationality and fanaticism preparing arguments in my head with the adrenaline coursing through my veins. I introduced the idea to my brother who had his own dreams of building his business (I didn't show him any of the “material” as even I laughed at all of the designs) and he just roared at me for about an hour about it being garbage and even when I told him of the RBE Foundation (which I had joined by then) who were actually serious about this he then laughed in front of my face and called all of us idiots.

By then I had become less fanatical but it finally hit me harder than a Pan Galactic gargleblaster that we've already been here before:

Lets run down the list:

1. Wideley released and award-winning movie waking people up to a major problem in the world...check
2. Use of the same debunked graphs and data and Powerpoint presentations....check
3. Capitalising on major social or environmental catastrophe...check
4. Prophesing social/environmental doom....check
5. Reuse of human/animal suffering to reiterate the point...check
6. Unquestionable self appointed leaders with no qualifications on what they are talking about...check
7. Jet crossing all over the world on other peoples money from luxury standard home....check
8. Using said money to also fund “their research” ...check
9. Prophet figure utilising their own company as the only solution through selling products and means of solving the problem...check

10. Same automated emails and messages about being too busy with spreading the message to answer...check

11. Anti-capitalist, anti-corporate agendas....check

12. Hollywood movie about people looking back how “primitive” current society was...check

13. Saturate the market with new and innovative ways of “spreading the message”

14. Oscar win and Nobel peace prize from global awareness campaign ...I sure hope not

The truth that most “movementarians” as I like to reference The Zeitgeist Movement and all those involved are pretty much spouting the same shit the environmentalist movement have been spouting since Rachel Carson decided to carry out mass genocide in Africa and Al Gore replaced Patrick Swayze as Captain Planet. In fact most of them are pretty much from the same camps (you can move sheep from flock to flock that doesn't make any less sheep) and won't even admit the fact that they are doing the same mistakes all over again.

This is why most people and media outlets won't listen to them because they've had the same shit pushed down their throats already and not because of their “conditioning” or they are “too into the system”. The reality is that people have already been bitten and are hesitant to join or even consider a group that spouts the same notions of activism and some of these “activists” are guilty of this and even brainwashing people into their cult before they consider looking at anything critically [1].

Like most fields of study there are three types of people in the world of science: scientists who are experts in their field and adhere to the stringent protocols of the peer review process and have credentials, then you have enthusiasts people who are not experts and have no credentials but where it's more of a hobby and still are aware of and respect the processes involved, and then of course there is the bullshitter people who know nothing about anything and show total disregard for the peer review processes, usually out for a buck.

The reality is that the Zeitgeist movies were made for a specific audience, Jacques and Roxanne have succeeded on grasping the blissful ignorance of the masses with effective teaming with a fellow bullshitter (and a good one too). Unfortunately as usual genuine and well-meaning people are getting hooked into it and this is saddening and like before to see them defending the fanatic and cultish members simply by being there and taking part like any other fanatical activist groups makes it even more depressing. Essentially this hive mind is a mish-mash of creationist and extremist environmentalist ideological nonsense drowning out any progress and reason by making them feel guilty for having a life.

Former members and those working for the RBEF voiced serious concerns about transparency ,organisation and the actual research needed for this to be done repeatedly attempted to get them sorted out and bring them to the attention of the “three stooges” as I like to call them.Roxanne and Jacques cleverly skirted around these issues in every interview they have(sound familiar) [2] ,the RBEF sorted them out (with a fraction of the members and resources at their disposal I might add)and ended up being presented with the threat of legal action and were unable to officially do anything due to pending legalisation. This is contrary to the fact that Roxanne and Jacques even stated in interviews in which they would condone the implementation of an RBE by groups other than The Venus Project [3].

Which brings me to the final point,the truth is we don't need to go through all this crap.We don't need to keep coming up with new ways of spreading the message (because like the environmentalist movement the culture it mainly operates in it has already saturated the internet)or do that all anymore because we have research centres,we don't have to make any more movies or books because there is already a wealth of work about post-scarcity societies from Star Trek TNG [4] and Voyager series (every episode available on YouTube for FREE),hints in Douglas Adams [5,6] work and dealt with by virtually every science fiction author from the 60s and 70s.Even I thought up of this without ever hearing about the Technocrats and Jacques or anything to do with The Venus Project which reiterates the point that trade marking is pointless. Furthermore we don't have to seek much outside donations as if every member were to donate \$100(hardly breaking the bank here) they would have more than \$30 million to give existing research centres enough to get new automated technologies etc a good start. This is more than enough to get things off the ground (or keep the “Feed Peter & Roxanne fund“ going for very long time).More than likely Jacques figured once he left the Technocratic movement that the idea of a society similar to his “RBE” would eventually come about naturally enough as society and technology improved.After joining up with Roxanne and later Peter he would start all this little business with ensuing legal wrangling bullshit to capitalise on this and invent some nonsense that it was not his idea(along with a plethora of documentaries with people stroking his ego raw).Simply put you have three lump heads who have no clue, they are talking purely for the sake of being credited with something that is not their idea. They simply are more concerned now with their image and ego and preventing anything actually happening and damaging any real legitimate attempts to bring this about if the concept becomes mainstream.

They are wasting peoples time and money by going from city regurgitating the same nonsense and poorly researched materials and what they are doing is cruel and irresponsible by manipulating those not given the chance to develop their critical skills to boycott and protest(Protest what has managed to elude me) and begin to slide down the slippery slope into fanaticism that led to the current state of groups such as PETA , another group headed by self-appointed leaders and has gone to the extent of supporting and defending terrorism in the form of the ALF.

Jacques , Peter and Roxanne have this nonsense that this is somehow related to the civil rights movement(just like PETA) and are yet at the same time pissing on the graves of those who died to make genuine change(still giving people the impression that there is some big bogey man out to get us – the fact that people are still handing out the same shitty first movie strengthens this).The fact that these are same views shared by many of the remaining scientists left in that faux movement and they are not wanting to listen to any of these “dissenting views” clearly shows where they are going by removing the very people who are actually needed. Without stopping this nonsense mark my word it ends up the same as every other “movement” seen so far: Celebrities and politicians joining and donating just to improve their image but again not doing anything at all , complete saturation of the media and it coming up in practically every Disney and Pixar movie .

In order for the implantation of an RBE to be successful or the concept goes mainstream the following must occur:

- 1)They have to accept the fact that they were never elected into place.Its practically impossible for the entire “movement” to progress with them doing annual promotional work and making all the decisions(it’s also unfair)
- 2)They have to hold back the advertising campaign completely,as stated earlier if every member donated a mere \$100.00 we could get serious funding for existing research centres.Again people hate having rhetoric shoved down their throat without evidence.
- 3)Any of the proposed cities are not necessary for now at all and both the film and theme park are totally unnecessary

Jacque says never give anyone the right to their own opinion and isn’t in any way exempt from this he should simply say “I don’t know” instead of spouting the rubbish he does (since if people want to get the same information they just have to watch the same lectures, and what the hell does he know ?) the fact that he has no credentials or respect for the scientific and academic peer review process(along with the other two) means that they simply don’t have the right to do what they are doing, and also why moderates and the majority of people in the world will easily see through them once given the chance(you can replace tyranny with another form of tyranny and called it democracy but it’s still tyranny).The three of them preach about the fact that politicians and corporations would be the first in line to prevent this from coming to fruition but the fact is they are the only ones that are stifling progress. This is the real tragedy of it all: the very concept that they say could very well save humanity for the time being is getting dragged through mire for the sake of the ego’s of three very irresponsible and selfish people. Same shit, different name

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3. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z9rLpHt3bL4> – part one of that particular interview where it is stated. Also unable to answer basic questions again and trying to look smart by talking in metaphorical science majiggy language they also made up.
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Z Day

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Its gonna be pretty funny, watching all the fans gather and get excited about some BS stories from Jacque, and then Peters vague rhetoric.

Im sure we will all tune in and have a brief giggle and report back here.

Ciao for now.

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[Earth to Peter Re: 2/25/10 Radio Address](#)

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Peter Joseph made another droning address today a section of which is available here to listen to.

[Link](#)

In it he described the phases of the Zeitgeist Movement as he sees it. Here are the phases:

Phase One:

Spread awareness.

This is the massive advertising and marketing campaign promoting the Venus Project, so they can live in their bubble house and make movies.

Phase Two:

Spread awareness better, or, in his own words, a more organized awareness campaign. And...disarmament and anti-militarism projects.

Who does the Zeitgeist Movement plan on disarming? Which military are they “boycotting?” The United States? China? You can discourage people from joining the military if they live in a place where they have a choice. But you can’t boycott the military hon, they aren’t asking. They pretty much get their way whether you like it or not. That is the reason they exist, after all.

Phase Three:

Action Phase! Activism, boycotting, fund raising for city construction, lobbying corporate and political organizations. Don't count on this happening anytime soon. He says the Zeitgeist Movement is currently straddling Phase 1 and 2, and Phase 3 is “sadly a long way off.”

The Venus Project needs more time to capitalize off the movement before it turns its attention to real activism. They have movies to make, don't you know.

Let us analyze this demilitarization idea on its own, forget the rest of the bunk in the address for now.

Perhaps it would be interesting to take a rough look at some of the militarized countries in the world, and then look at their numbers.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_by_level_of_military_equipment

Perhaps it would also be interesting to take a look at some of the non militarized countries in the world, and then look at their numbers. Notice the countries and places without an army ?

<http://www.demilitarisation.org/Countrieswithoutarmy.htm>

Then look at some of the members of one country who own weapons and take a note of their estimated numbers, take the USA as an example of where Peter lives.

The USA average is 25% of a national population of 305,000,000 which = 76,250,000 people who own a gun !

Thats 203 times more people in the USA alone with guns than the entire global membership of the zeitgeist movement.

In fact 1% [3,050,000] of the gun owners in the USA alone is 8 times more than the entire zeitgeist movements members !

I bet a lot of the members themselves have guns in their homes too.

Gun owners in the USA

http://wiki.answers.com/Q/How_many_people_own_a_gun_in_the_USA

USA population

**[http://www.google.com/publicdata?
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Let us take a look at the rough member numbers of zeitgeist across the entire planet:

375,000 [of course Peter wants to promote and recruit more fanatics than this]

How militarized do you think the rest of the world is ?

I would hazard a guesstimate at a lot, a damn lot !

Now consider demilitarization consists of not only the armies and the population, but then you have the police force and any other public service that carry fire arms.

In essence in phase two Peter is saying that they will be ready for the world to not have weapons, and we are straddling phase two already ?

While it is a nice sentimental idea, we have not even considered the black market trade, military industrial complexes and illegal ownerships of weaponry. I think...well never mind you can see how stupid it is that he says they are getting to this phase of the project.

[Please take a moment to think realistically]

Having no army is not yet a guarantee that forces will act non-violently and preventively, or that they will help creating a culture of peace to transform conflict, it is though a strong incentive.

Statistics with the numbers of police officers and soldiers, compared to the numbers of the full population in a given country do not exist yet.

Military equipment and budgets are not always public.

Black Markets are unknown.

Countries without armies are all democratic countries [But Peter says democracy is unproductive and doesn't exist] so how does he plan on demilitarization without diplomacy and democracy ?.

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