## Károly Kiss:

## No doubt, background power does exist

Even a year or two ago, I discussed at length in the Future of Our Offsprings<sup>\*</sup> how primitive it is to assume that the world is controlled by powerful, influential financiers from the background. That only someone who is not aware of the complexity of the world and the complexity of global processes can think like that. I waved it off in annoyance when my knowledgeable colleagues discussed background power and "narratives" on TV. With a sixty-year research background, I know the world economic processes and global relationships quite well, and I thought it was naive to imagine that a few powerful financiers could coordinate and control them according to their own ideas.

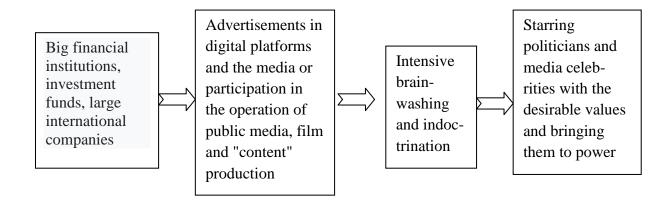
But lately I don't think it's impossible anymore, in fact. As far as economic processes are concerned, this is what I always think about them. But the events taking place in the field of consciousness point in one direction to such an extent that it is difficult to imagine that they spontaneously develop in this way. Gender, LMBTQ, woke, cancel culture, open society, multiculturalism, we are all fed up with these. At first, I still thought the neo-Marxist explanation was forced. According to that the international big capital in this way wants to form a malleable mass without any identity, citizens with no attachment to class and/or nation-consciousness, people who stick to their gender and history, and thus easily influenced masses and consumers, consumer idiots. But all signs point to it being in the background. Because it is not a matter of this being fashionable in one country and the opposite in another...

However, in the Western world, public media, films, and TV programs use the power of ideological indoctrination to "push" these new ideas and fashions, and they train a class of leading politicians, actually media celebrities, who, once in power, implement these ideas, propagate this value system. Moreover, in the case of our country and the EU, we can clearly see that in countries that do not follow this set of values, they are put on trial, punished, and have to bear serious financial consequences. So everything can be traced back to the media and film and "content" production, and the interests and people behind them who control and finance them.

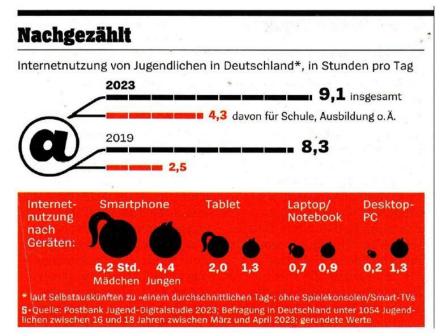
The question arises, how does a large international company – say in the field of chip production or the oil industry – become part of this process? (We can safely call it a conspiracy.) Definitely with its advertisements, more precisely with their placement, where it advertises. The biggest influencers of public opinion today are the internet platforms – and they are also the most valuable companies. Their services are free, and more than 80 percent of their income comes from advertisements. But these big companies can also participate directly (say as shareholders or founders) in the operation of public media.

<sup>\*</sup> https://utodaink-jovoje.hu/

## This is the way of money and influence:



My fourteen-year-old grandson spent a week of summer vacation with us. He was not in the mood for boating on the Danube or cycling in the floodplain forest, at best for swimming at the swimming pool. He was laying in the cool room all day with his iPad in his hand, watching Tik Tok. He wasn't interested in TV movies, not even westerns or crime fiction. On this platform, you can see everything from the foulest swearing to the most disgusting scenes. Teenagers don't want their phones out of their hands, they look at them even in the company of each other. The game now means internet games: chasing, shooting, wild racing and wading, or destroying something (although you can also build a new one).



German youth aged 16-18 use the Internet for more than 9 hours a day. (True, almost half of this is made up of school and training programs, but game consoles and Smart TVs are not included.) Smartphones get 4-6 hours of this.

(Der Spiegel, Nr. 27 / 1.7.2023) The result of this is that German schoolchildren are reading less and less, their "reading competence" (whatever this term means) is clearly declining. (The situation is obviously the same in other countries.)

(Der Spiegel Nr. 24 / 10.6.2023: Bildschirm statt Buch, Miriam Olbrisch.)

This is how a generation grows up. Parental restriction and influence are not enough. These "contents" and games of destruction and killing should simply be banned. The EU is supposed to have a youth policy – which is clearly not working. Only the blind do not see what it is about. And then we haven't even talked about the next wave of virtual worlds and the manipulated world that will be created using artificial intelligence. What else could arm us against these murderous, destructive effects – in addition to the traditional value system – than stable objective knowledge? But even teachers have been saying for

quite some time that knowledge of facts is secondary because in our age it can be easily obtained with just a few clicks on the internet. Skills, "competences" are essential (such as teamwork, presentation and persuasiveness, cooperative inclination). Furthermore: it is not the details, but the big contexts and rules that are important. But the contexts, the generale rules, the big characteristics, cannot be learned by themselves; they are fixed when there are detailed facts and knowledge behind them. Our brain does not derive the details from the big contexts and rules, but builds the regularities based on the knowledge of the details. In the most general sense, intelligence is the ability to recognize connections between things and phenomena. The lower the knowledge of things and phenomena, the fewer connections we can establish. With zero factual knowledge, there is zero intelligence, no matter how high the competence were...

A person who lived in the middle ages, in the world of medieval superstitions and beliefs and under the grip of religion was an independent, free-thinking, enlightened individual compared to the infinitely manipulable and dependent beings that our children and grandchildren will become due to "technology"...

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