

All That Greeneth Is Not Gore

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The government, the establishment's political parties, and the mass media of Germany are investing an enormous effort (and huge sums of money) into the promotion of Al Gore's global warming swindle. Peter Struck for example, the chairman of the Social Democrats' group in the national Parliament, took the entire group to a showing of the Gore movie, "An Inconvenient Truth." in Berlin, on March 5. A week later, Environment Minister Sigmar Gabriel announced that the

ministry will distribute 6,000 free DVDs of the movie to German schools, and as a kick-off, 5,200 teachers were given a free showing of the movie in 27 German cities, on March 18. On the same day, Gabriel joined Dennis Meadows of the Club of Rome on a panel at an event arranged by Siemens, which included 900 prominent figures, in Munich, where film footage from the Gore movie was shown. On March 26, Hamburg Mayor Ole von Beust, one of the very first prominent Christian Democrats to confess, in the Autumn of 2006, that he had been recruited by Gore's "arguments," accompanied the first several hundred of 30,000 pupils from the city's schools who are to watch the Gore movie for free, during the two weeks following.

There is no mystery about who is pulling the strings behind the promotion campaign for Gore's cause in Germany. The distribution of the "Inconvenient" DVD was co-funded by a Munich firm, Goetz Partners, which has close business relations with leading hedge and equity funds such as Cerberus and Blackstone, while the showing of the movie in Hamburg was funded by the Rickmers shipyard, which, through the firm Nord Capital, is also linked to the hedge- and equity-fund sector.

LaRouche Youth Mobilize vs. Gore Fraud

Impressive as this promotion campaign may seem, it does meet strong, and increasing, resistance in Germany. The LaRouche political movement, especially the LaRouche Youth (LYM), has escalated its mobilization against Gore, with a nationwide leafletting drive that began on March 23. One-hundred-thousand leaflets, denouncing the scare-mongering campaign by Gabriel, and exposing the scientific fraud behind the Gore swindle will be distributed. The leaflet, written by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, national chairwoman of the LaRouche movement's BüSo (Civil Rights Solidarity) party, zeroes in on the racist nature of Gore's global warming hoax, with its genocidalist implications for large parts of the world's population. Offices of Parliament members, other institutions, and press offices are called every day, and, in addition to intense street organizing by the LYM in Berlin, Hamburg, Stuttgart, and other cities, there are daily interventions into panel discussions on the "warming" issue. This political intervention is crucial, because it punches holes into the harassment net that has been thrown over the critical scientists who oppose the Gore swindle, so that they can now raise their voices in some of the leading media.

One of the first scientists who went public in Germany against Gore, was Horst Malberg, professor emeritus, and long-time director of the Institute of Meteorology at the Free University of Berlin. Professor Malbert, speaking at an event in Bad Hersfeld March 5, asserted that man cannot be blamed



Prof. Horst Malbert has pointed out that paintings during the 14th-18th Century "Little Ice Age" reflected the global cooling which took place. Shown here, Pieter Bruegel's "Hunters in the Snow" ("Winter") of 1565.

for global warming, because science provides a different picture. Malberg elaborated with diagrams, that since the last great Ice Age, there have been climatic shifts again and again, in Central Europe. Around the year 1200 A.D., when the Vikings sailed westwards, it was warm, therefore, the island they discovered was called Greenland. In 1320, the so-called "Little Ice Age" began, with harsh winters for the next 400 years—as depicted in old paintings, especially those by the Dutch painters (see illustration). There is no constant conduct of the Sun, Malberg said; the climatic shifts of the past 200 centuries can all be traced back to Sun-spot fluctuations. If at all, man today can be blamed for no more than 30% of the entire warming of the globe. And after all, warming is not such a bad thing, as it implies many benefits for man. This latter theme was taken up on March 26, by Alexander Breditsky, director of the Russian environmental agency Rosgidromet, who said that the rise of average temperatures is a real benefit of nature for the farmers in Northern Siberia, who are now able to grow heat-loving plants in regions which have been frosty over past years.

The Truth Breaks Into the Media

The first mainstream media coverage in Germany of the Gore critics appeared on March 23, with a prominent article in the leading daily *Frankfurter Allgemeine*, under the headline, "Is Climate Change Nothing But a Big Swindle?" The article recalls the insane 1970s discussion about "global cooling," and noted that not even the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)'s massive international offensive has silenced the many critics in the scientific community. These critics, the article notes, charge that the billions of dollars that

people like Gore want to pump into climate protection, should instead be going toward solving real global challenges like children's hunger and infectious diseases. It summarized some of the arguments against Gore presented in the British Channel 4 TV documentary "The Global Warming Swindle."

On March 27, the same daily ran another article, authored by Christian Bartsch, a leading meteorologist of Germany, who wrote that, "fear-promoting horror scenarios lead to the wrong direction." Bartsch continued, "We are living in a warm period of an ice age. Warmer and colder periods follow each other in the history of the Earth. The CO₂ level is independent from that." He also cited the 1996 findings of the Danish scientists team (Knud Lassen and Eigil Friis-Chistensen) on Solar eruptions as the actual cause of global warming, and mocked the IPCC as a body that has, since 1990, insisted that the global climate "obeys its postulates." The IPCC is, however, Bartsch added, a political, not a scien-

tific institution, and the ongoing global warming campaign is a political one, moreover one that is offering not the slightest perspective of a longer-term energy policy, but instead insists on turning off safe nuclear reactors.

Bartsch also blasted the biofuels nonsense as absorbing significant global shipping capacities, because of imports of palm and soybean oil; rain forests are axed away to make room for the planting of oil palm trees; and farmers in Europe are forced to burn wheat because that brings them more subsidized income from the European Union than traditional grain production. Bartsch concludes with the ironic forecast that, despite today's global warming folly, a time may come when global temperatures will fall again, and there will be a new campaign of "scientists" blaming man for that, too.

With the LaRouche movement's continuing intervention, we can be sure that the ongoing "global warming" swindle and its "green fund" initiators are exposed to the light of day.