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SUMMARY

R. Grinberg Test for Spirituality and Humanism
Modernity offers Europe and the rest of the world a unique test of spirituality and humanism. It’s about who and how to respond to the flow of refugees to Europe from North Africa and the Middle East.

S. Glinkina, N. Kulikova On the Issue about the Effectiveness of the Transformation of the Social System in the Countries of Central and Eastern Europe
The revolutions in Central and Eastern Europe at the turn of the 80/90-ies became the biggest political event of the second half of the XX century. They marked the collapse of the world socialist system, in which frameworks the CEE countries had developed almost half a century after the Second World War and laid the foundation for the transformation of their social system.

Has the Transformation Really Ended?
In connection with the 25th anniversary of the «velvet revolutions» in the former socialist countries, the journal asked the public figures and scientists of Hungary, Poland, and Slovakia, to answer a number of questions.

I. Angelov Bulgaria: Transition to Democracy or the Restoration of the Primitive Balkan Capitalism
It took a quarter of a century since the beginning of the processes of transformation and European integration of Bulgaria. During this period the republic made the transition from a planned to a market economy, it became a fully fledged member of the EU and NATO. But how effective the constructed economic model of the country proved to be, and did its competitiveness increase? The analysis of the socio-economic indicators of Bulgaria and its place in the international division of labor leads to disappointing conclusions.

A. Inotai. Looking Behind the Curtain: What about the Hungarian "Economic Miracle"?
In the last period, the Hungarian, and partly also the international mass media are full of positive economic developments in Hungary. However, the influential international organizations so far are not seeking to raise the ratings of Hungary.
D. Cvijanović, B. Mihailović, P. Vuković. Harmonization of Serbia's Agrarian Policy with the EU Common Agricultural Policy
Due to its natural conditions, Serbia has great potential for development of the agricultural sector, which so far is not used in full. In the presence of an adequate agricultural policy, agriculture can make a significant contribution to the economic development of the country. The interrelation and the impact on other branches make agriculture particularly important for the growth of the Serbian economy.

T. Less. Eastern Europe's Anti-Market Revolution
Recently, quite a lot has been written about the victory of the conservative party «Law and Justice» at the regular elections in Poland. The coming to power of the party became a hit for the European Union, which aroused controversy between the United States and Russia, concerning control of Eastern Europe.

I. Orlik-Garlik. Central and Eastern Europe in Modern Geopolitics
A drastic dramatic change of the geopolitical situation almost all over the world is manifested in different ways in the position of separate regions and countries. The European continent seems to have returned to the pre-detonation state of distant times of the twentieth century.

S. Arbuzov. What is Happening in Ukraine, Two Years after the Beginning of the Maidan
Exactly two years passed since one of the Ukrainian journalists called in the social networks to take warm clothes and go to Kiev’s Maidan in protest against «the stopping of Ukraine’s European integration». This unimportant fact gave start to a whole sequence of events that led eventually to the coup d’etat, to the war in the Donets Coal Basin and to the collapse of the economy.

G. Shapiro, H. Tobern. About the Oligarchs and Corruption: Ukraine Face to Face With Its Own Demons
While in the east of Ukraine fighting continues, perhaps, more important battle for the soul of Ukraine unfolds in the margins of the political corridors and at corporate planning meetings in Kiev.
S. Guillory. Ukraine is Ripe for the Shock Doctrine
Like many states in crisis before it, Ukraine presents a perfect opportunity for neoliberal transformation. While a crisis of faith, of sorts, has resounded in western discourse on the economic effectiveness of austerity, this scepticism, rather ironically, dissipates when you cross over into the remnants of the Iron Curtain.

At present, Novorossia has become a new storyline in the Western media, directed against Russia, reinforcing of the old propagandistic schemes and explaining criminal participation of Russia in the Ukrainian conflict.

Yu. Purgin. By Moving Free Course
Chief Editor of "The World of Transformations" interviewed famous journalist, publicist and publisher of Altai about the mood of the inhabitants of the region after the crisis and their relation to values such as freedom and justice, as well as about the features of journalist’s job in the province.

Niu Haibin. BRICS Cooperation in New Phase of Globalization
The substance of the new globalization is to rebalance the westernization, and BRICS countries represent the main force of this rebalance strategy. New globalization at present is still in its early stages, but its development is a process with multiple political, economic and cultural dimensions.

R. Ncwadi. T. Ruzive. BRICS Bank as an Alternative to the Current International Financial System in Developing Countries
The current financial system has reached the peak of its effectiveness. It can no longer address the needs of those it claims to represent and it is in light of these observations that alternatives are necessary that would provide inclusive and equitable opportunities of development for all.