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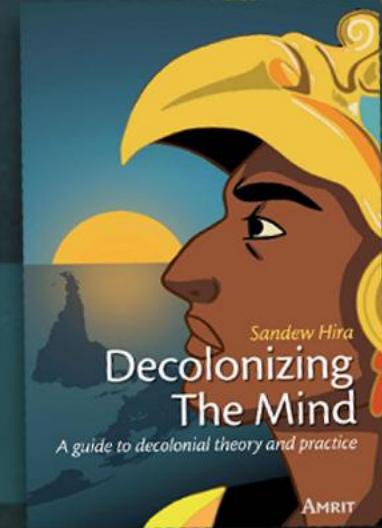
A decolonial analysis of current world affairs



A DTM view on the rise of extreme right



Decolonizing The Mind,
the final frontier of colonialism
with Sandew Hira



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What is a DTM vision ?

- A theoretical framework that is an alternative to the knowledge production of the European Enlightenment
 - A Critique of Enlightenment
 - An alternative
 - Translation into alternative policy

What is the extreme right ?

1. Liberalism: threat to individual freedom; xenophobia is part of that
2. Marxism: the far right is fascism; fascism is an extreme expression of class oppression
3. DTM: the far right is an expression of a colonial civilization that is extremist: the difference between moderate and extreme is gradual, not essential

Nazism is one failed form of colonialism

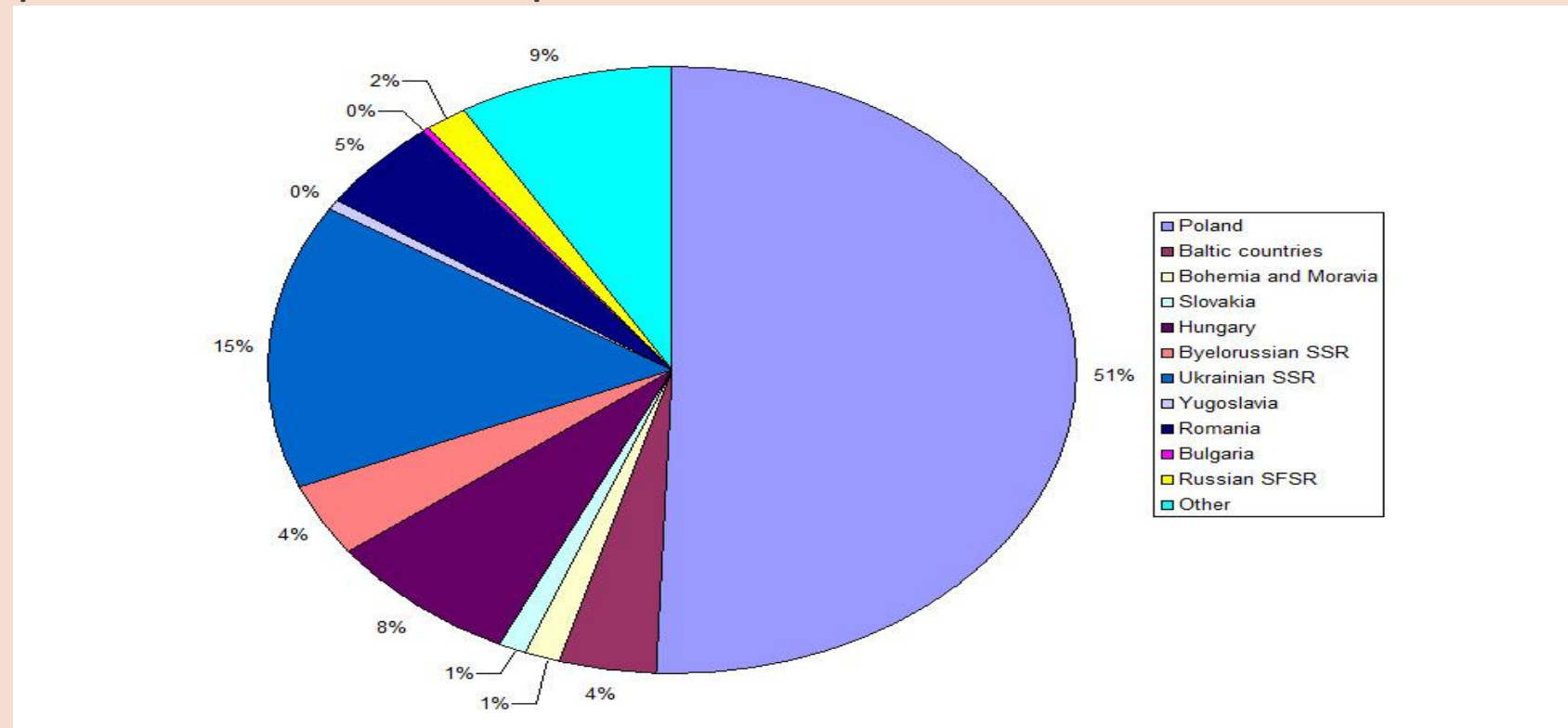
Hitler: "What India was for England, the territories of Russia will be for us... It should be possible for us to control this region to the East with two hundred and fifty thousand men plus a cadre of good administrators. Let's learn from the English, who, with two hundred and fifty thousand men in all, including fifty thousand soldiers, govern four hundred million Indians. This space in Russia must always be dominated by Germans... The Russian space is our India. Like the English, we shall rule this empire with a handful of men.... The wealth of Great Britain is the result less of a perfect commercial organisation than of the capitalist exploitation of the three hundred and fifty million Indian slaves."

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“The German colonist ought to live on handsome, spacious farms. The German services will be lodged in marvellous buildings, the governors in palaces. Beneath the shelter of the administrative services, we shall gradually organise all that is indispensable to the maintenance of a certain standard of living. Around the city, to a depth of thirty to forty kilometres, we shall have a belt of handsome villages connected by the best roads. What exists beyond that will be another world, in which we mean to let the Russians live as they like. It is merely necessary that we should rule them. In the event of a revolution, we shall only have to drop a few bombs on their cities, and the affair will be liquidated.”

Comparison fascism and colonialism - 1

Fascism and WWII (5 years): Number of victims in Europe: 28 million , of which 25 million in the Soviet Union. Half of the six million Jews from the Holocaust were from Eastern Europe, not Western Europe



Comparison fascism and colonialism - 2

Colonialism: Number of victims. What was more extreme? Fascism or colonialism?

Crime against humanity	Victims		Period	Years
	Min	Max		
Transatlantic European slavery	200	400	1650-1850	200
Indigenous Holocaust Abya Yala	50	75	1492-1650	150
Victorian Holocaust: India/China	30	60	1872-1902	30
Congolese Holocaust	10	10	1880-1910	30
Total	290	545		

Denazification of the mind: Potsdam agreement

- Article IA7: *“German education will be organized in such a way that it will completely eliminate Nazi and militaristic doctrines and will imbue everyone with democratic ideas.”*
- General Robert Alexis McClure Information Control US Army Division : *“We will maintain full control of all newspapers, theaters, radio stations and other media in Germany!”*

Denazification of the mind: the stages

McClure 's work : *"The reorientation of the German population was an enormous task. McClure carried it out in three phases: first, the complete cessation of all media; second, the gradual reopening of some media (radio , newspapers, etc.) under American control; and, thirdly, a gradual transfer of these media through licenses to carefully selected Germans."*

Result: a difference is made between Hitler and Churchill / Roosevelt and the idea is promoted that fascism was worse than colonialism.

Decolonization of the mind

- ❑ There never was DTM.
- ❑ This makes us think that there is an essential difference between the extreme right and the moderate right or social democratic left

Extreme actions by moderate right and left now

- ❑ Support for Zionist occupation and the genocide in Palestine
- ❑ Support for the war in Ukraine imposed on Russia by NATO
- ❑ Extreme measures against people of color are carried out under the “extreme right” by the moderate right and left: US and Europe

Where are we now in world history?

- ❑ The end of the hegemony of 500 years of European civilization
- ❑ Two extreme reactions
 - ❑ Moderate right and left: war, war, war
 - ❑ Far right: isolationism and emphasis on preserving white civilization against the rest

A DTM answer to extremism

- Two central issues now globally and locally:
 - Emphasis on peace, peace, peace. Entering into coalitions of Global North and Global South on this theme
 - Central attention to the mechanisms of the colonization of the mind
- Formulation of a vision for a new world civilization: from universal to pluriversal
- Translation into concrete actions

DTM actions: example 1

- ❑ Education campaign about the war in Ukraine and its connection with the genocide in Palestine and the coming war with China
- ❑ The war in Ukraine was started by NATO in 2014
- ❑ Set up a dialogue: people-to-people . Talk to your enemy to achieve peace: Bring pro-Putin Russians to Amsterdam and other cities. This is in contrast to the extremist policy of a strategic military defeat of Russia
- ❑ Beware: the colonization of the mind is going to work: you will be criminalized (paid by Putin)

DTM actions: example 2

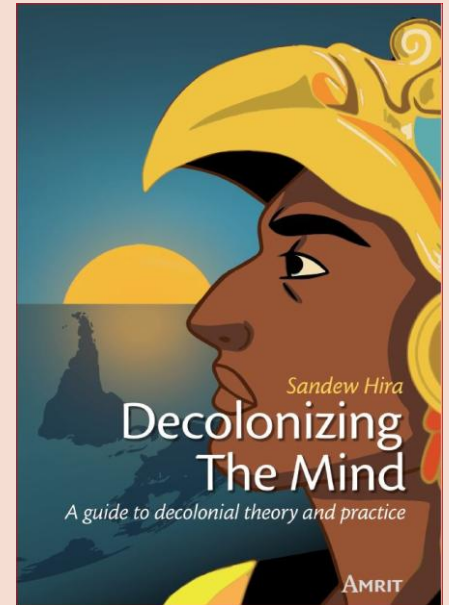
- Decolonize the 8 o'clock news: answers the lies of the 8 o'clock news every day

DTM actions: example 3

- ❑ It's time to move to fundamental discussions: decolonize knowledge production
- ❑ Example: an economic theory of DTM can deliver the following practical program points:
 - ❑ Dissolve NATO
 - ❑ Dissolve the army
 - ❑ Put the money into free childcare, free education, free public transport, free medical care, cheap housing

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