

Best praxis from Europe - Activities in year 2010 in Europe

International conference on poverty and social
exclusion
in Bosnia and Herzegovina and south east Europe

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A photograph of a high-speed train on tracks, with a white banner overlaying the text "Financial crisis". The banner is curved and has a slight shadow, giving it a 3D appearance. The background shows the train tracks, gravel, and overhead power lines under a clear blue sky.

Financial crisis

Bankruptcy Lehman Brothers



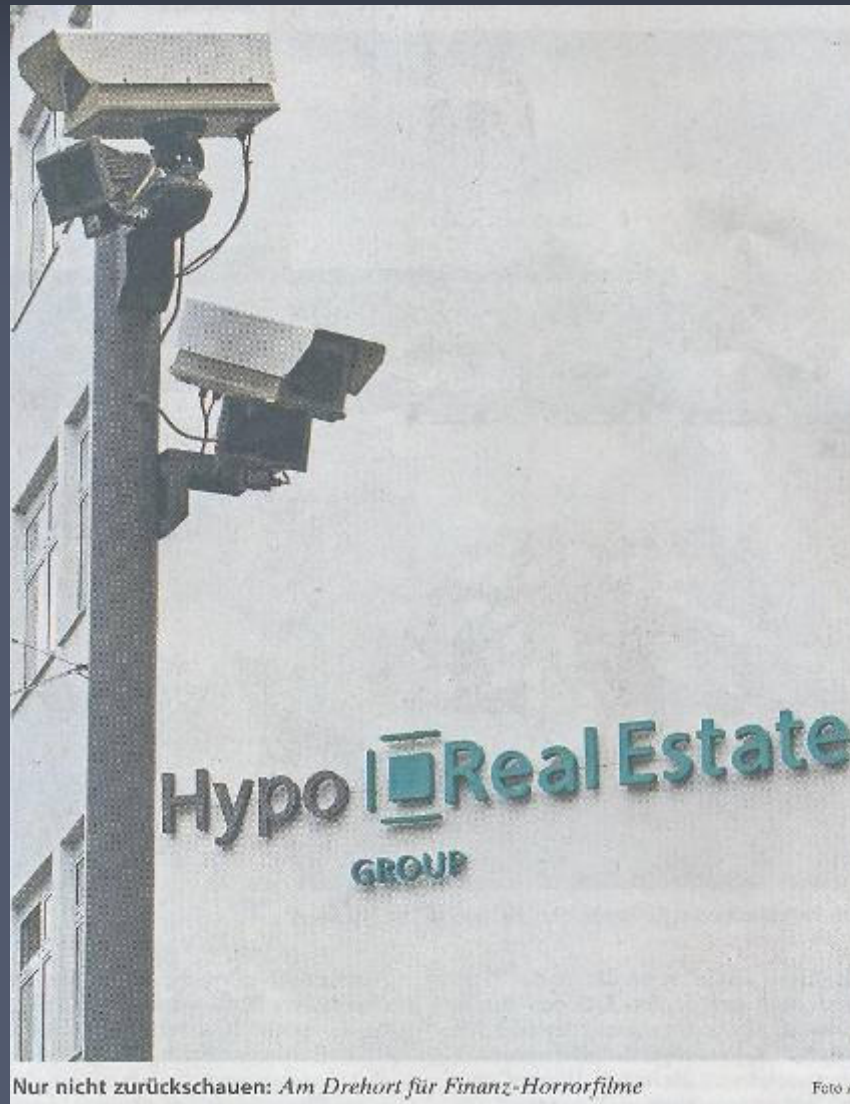
Northern Rock



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Hypo Real Estate



Nur nicht zurückschauen: Am Drehort für Finanz-Horrorfilme

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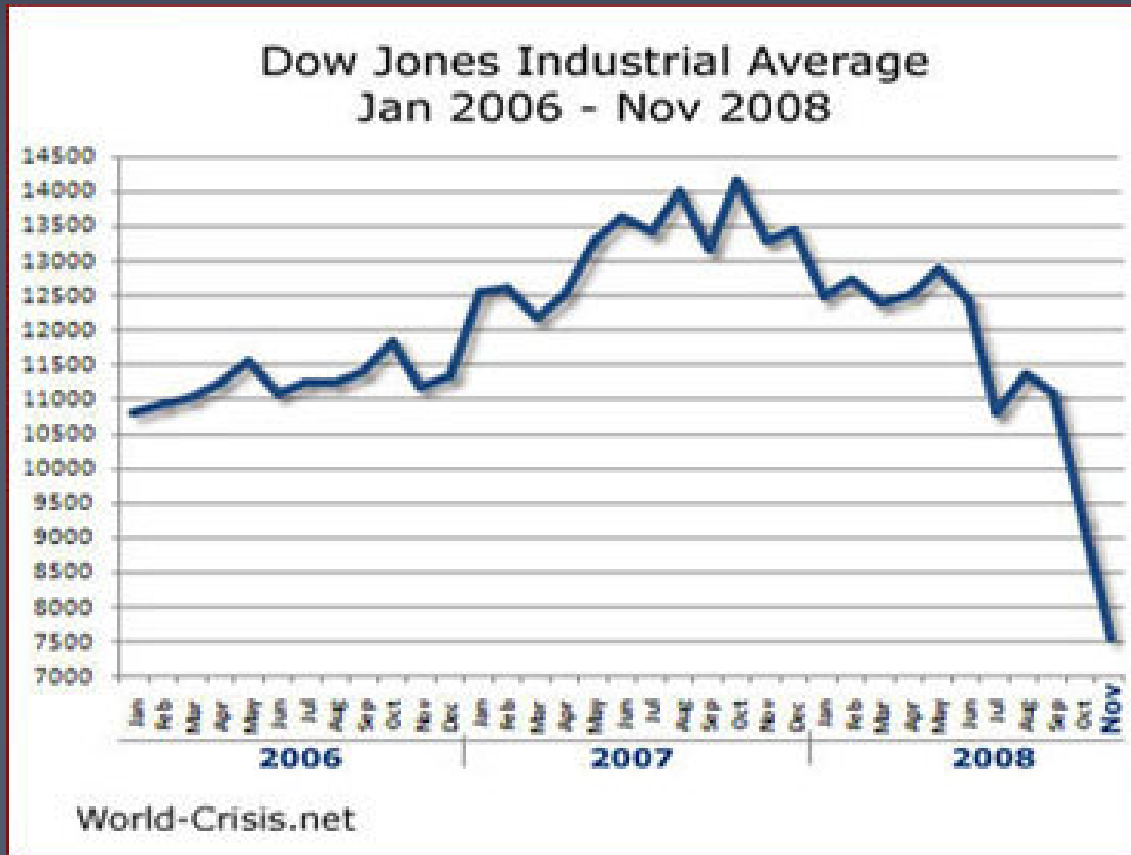
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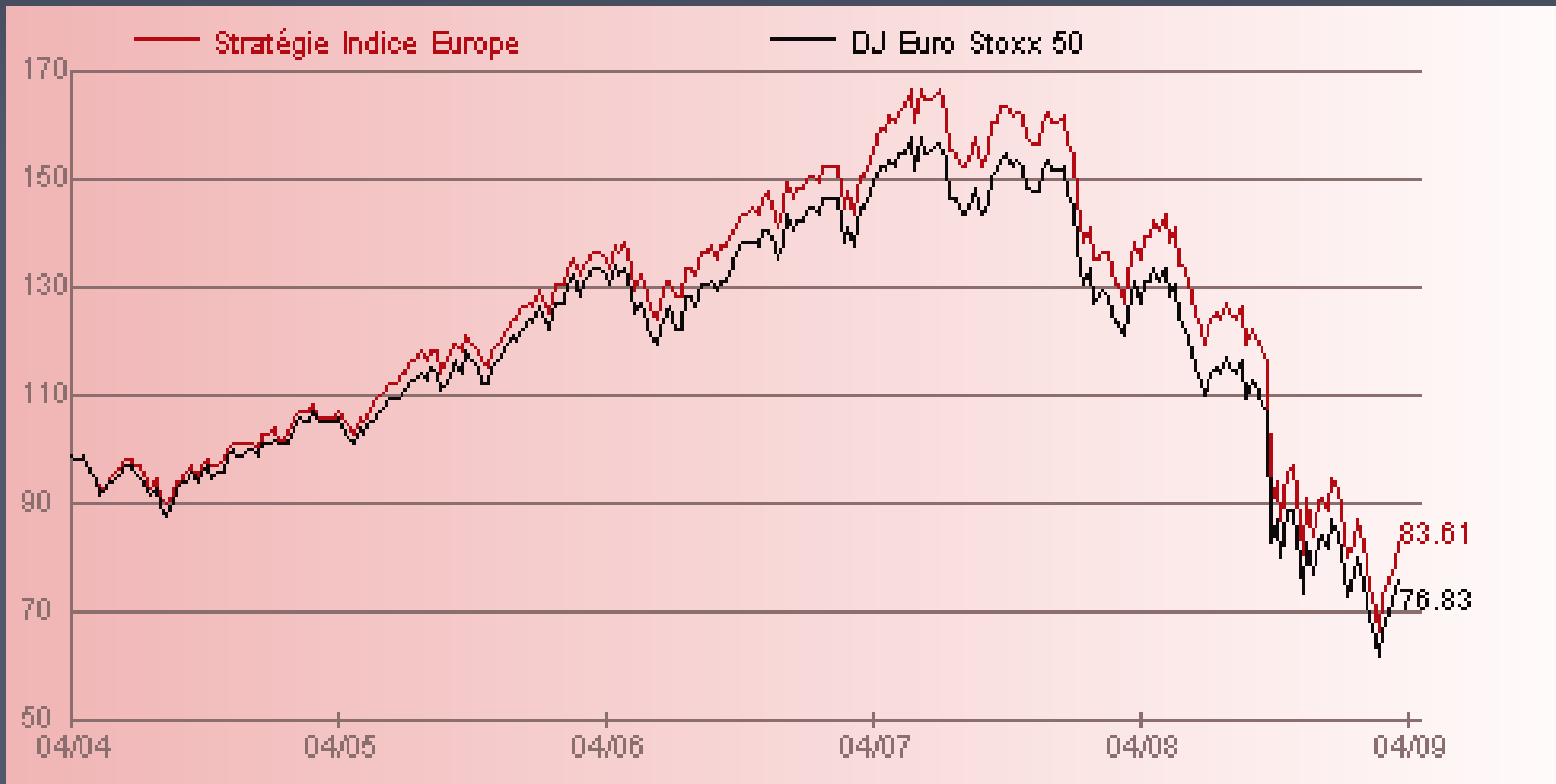
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Dow Jones evolution



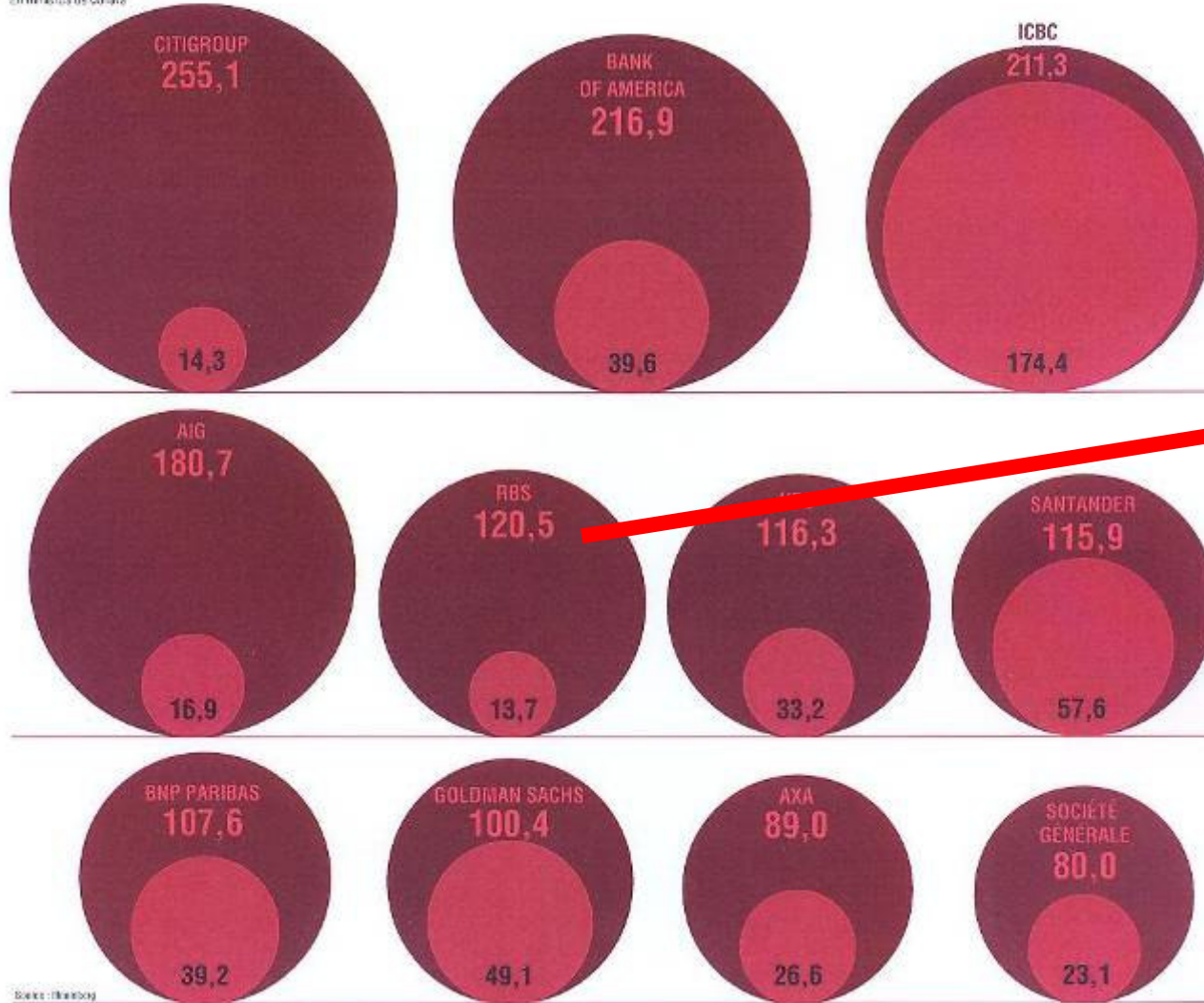
Euro Stoxx evolution



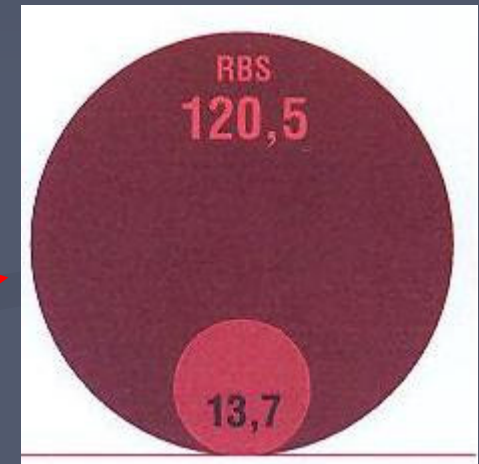
La finance après le choc

La violence de la tempête financière se lit dans l'effondrement de la valeur boursière des grands groupes bancaires.

● 30 JUIN 2007 ● 20 MARS 2009
En milliards de dollars



Source : Bloomberg





Economic crisis

Car industry



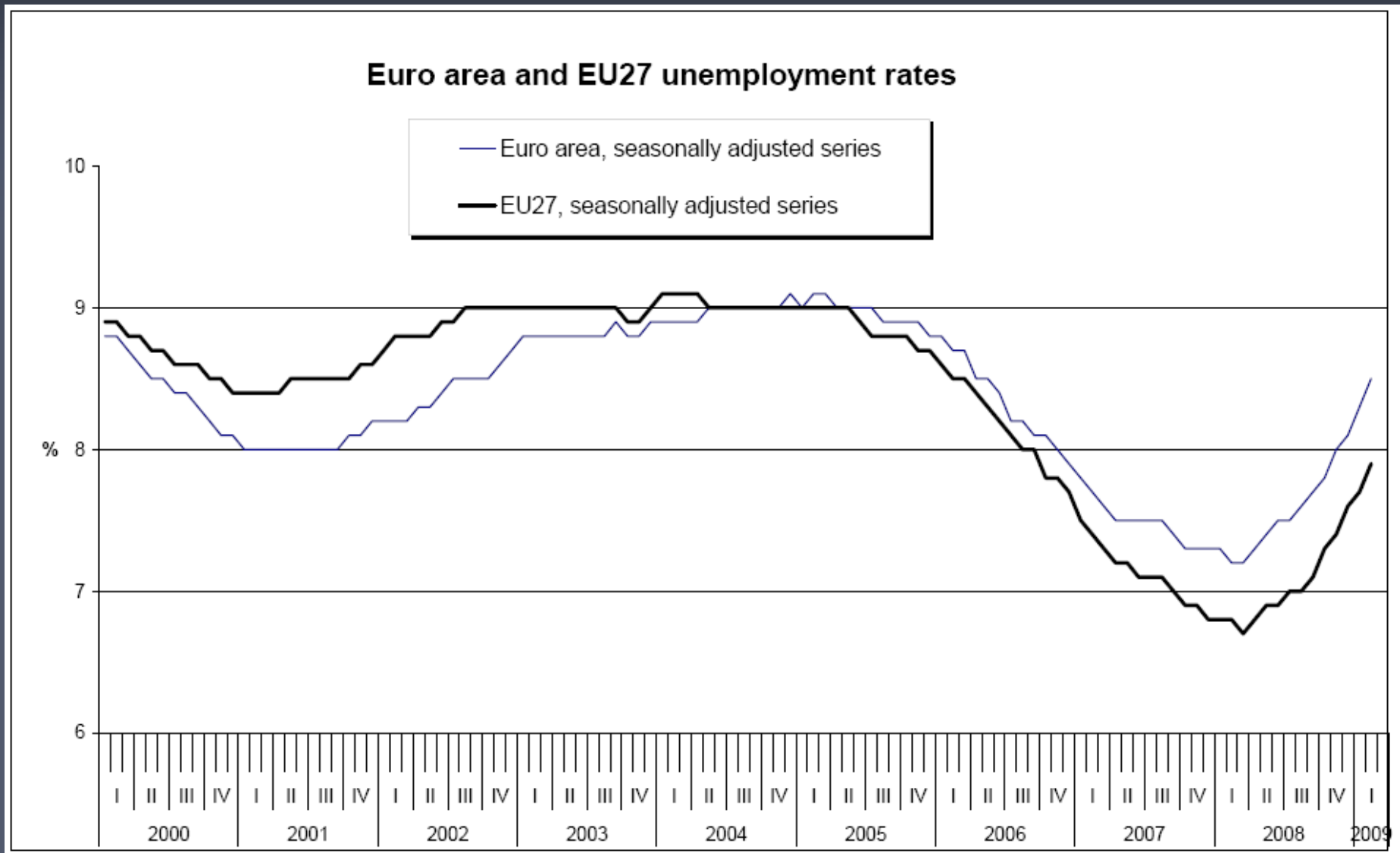
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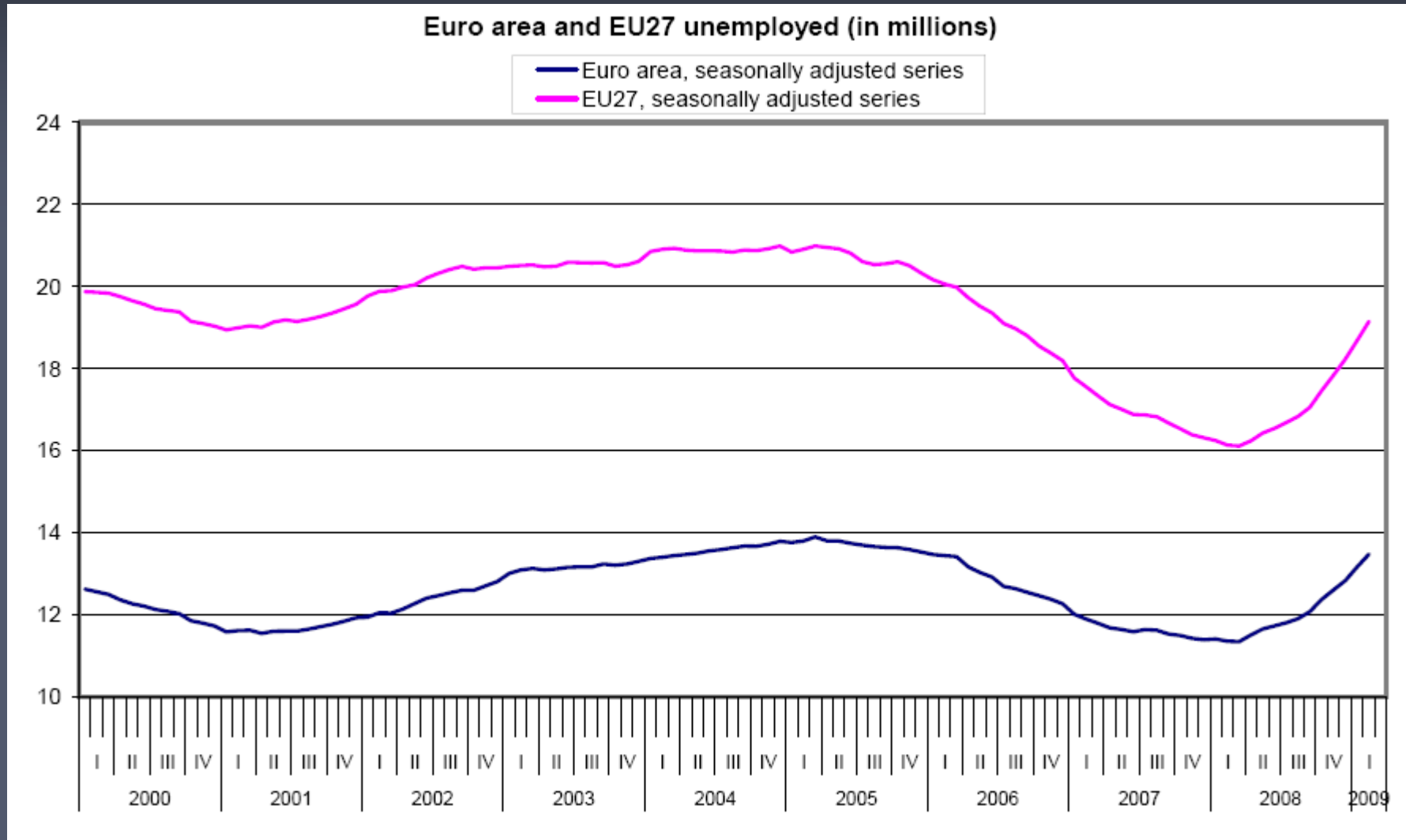
ArcelorMittal



Unemployment rate



Unemployment rate



A photograph of a high-speed train on tracks, with a white banner overlaying the text "Societal crisis". The train is white and blue, and the tracks are gravel and steel. The background shows power lines and a clear sky.

Societal crisis



Des ouvriers de l'usine auxerroise de Fulmen, un fabricant de batteries, ont forcé leur directeur (au centre) à manifester avec eux le 29 janvier. LUDOVIC BERGER/« L'YONNE RÉPUBLICAINE »





Risks of the crisis

Poverty



Risks of the crisis

Social cohesion



Risks of the crisis

Political stability



Risks of the crisis



A photograph of a high-speed train on tracks, with a white banner overlaying the text "Systemic measures". The banner is curved and has a slight shadow, giving it a 3D appearance. The background shows the train tracks, gravel, and overhead power lines under a clear blue sky.

Systemic measures

Fighting the crisis with the means leading to the crisis

- Recapitalization of banks: 260 Mia. €
- State guaranties for banks: 3.000 Mia. €
- Subsidies for industries: ???
- Request for trust and confidence: High consumption

Some figures of the G20 summit

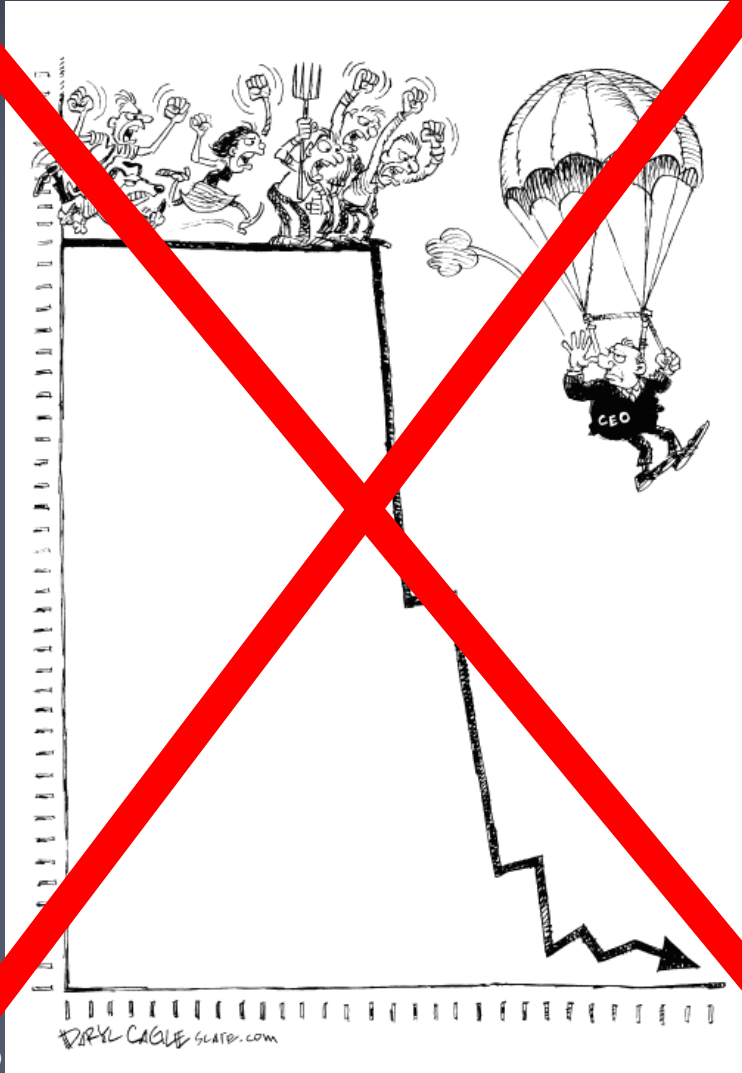
- \$ 500 bn for the IMF to lend to struggling economies
- \$ 250 bn to boost world trade
- \$ 250 bn for a new IMF "overdraft facility" countries can draw on
- \$ 100 bn that international development banks can lend to poorest countries
- IMF will raise \$ 6 bn from selling gold reserves to increase lending for the poorest countries

Source: BBC



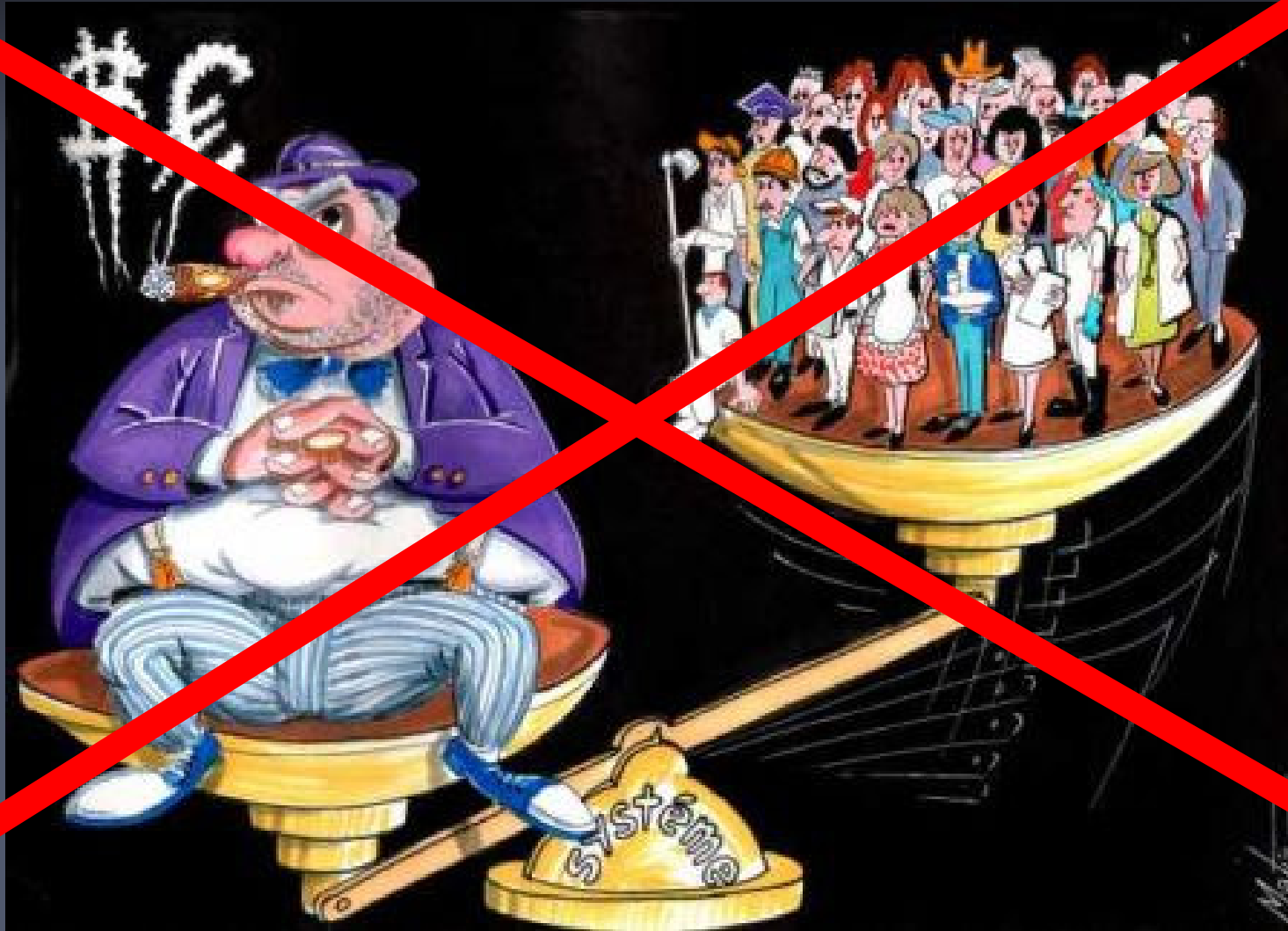
Ethical antidots

Compensation for managers (golden parachute)



Quelques parachutes en or [modifier]

Année	Personne	Pays	Société	Montant global
1989	F. Ross Johnson	 États-Unis	Reynolds Tobacco Company	58 millions US dollars ¹
2002	Jean-Marie Messier	 France	Vivendi Universal	20,5 millions euros ³
2003	Philippe Jaffré	 France	Elf	10 millions euros ⁴
2003	Pierre Bilger	 France	Alstom	4,1 millions euros ³
2005	Carly Fiorina	 États-Unis	Hewlett-Packard	10 millions US dollars ⁵
2005	Daniel Bernard	 France	Carrefour	38 millions euros ³
2006	Noël Forgeard	 France	FAI	8,5 millions euros ⁶
2007	Serge Tchuruk	 France	Alcatel	5,7 millions euros ⁶
2007	Antoine Zacharias	 France	Vinci	13 millions euros ⁶
2008	Patricia Russo	 France	Alcatel	6 millions euros ⁷
2009	Fred Goodwin	 Royaume-Uni	Royal Bank of Scotland	650 000 livres (726 000 euros) de retraite annuelle <small>[réf. nécessaire]</small>



Crash primes for cars



A Question Of Confidence



2010 European Year for Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion

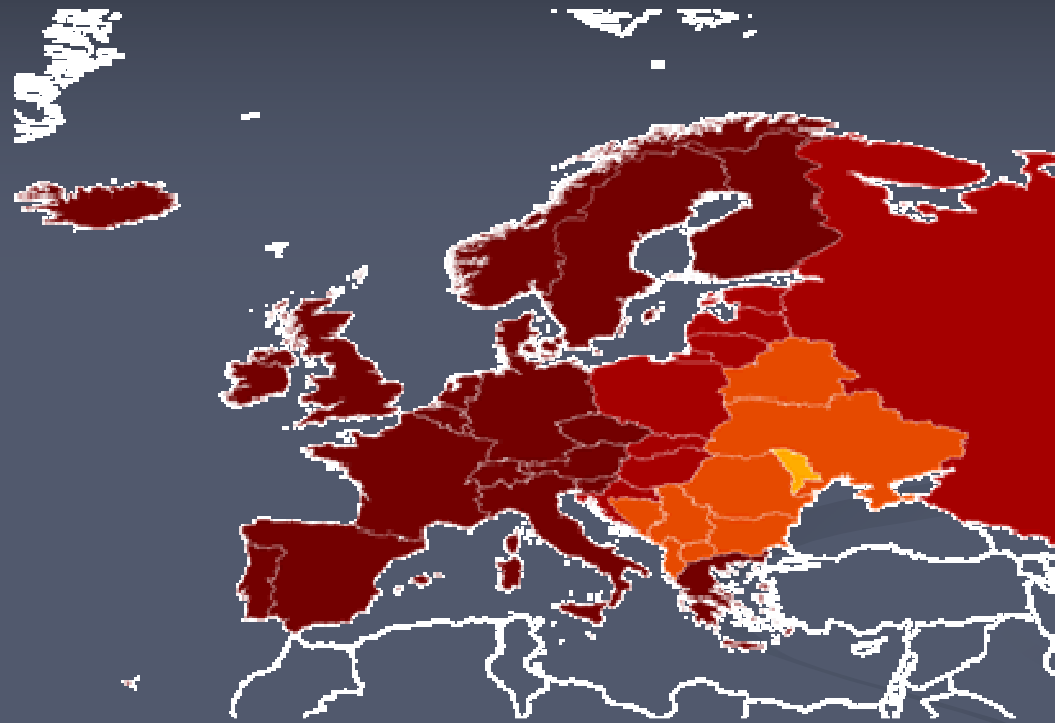


In Europe,
93 million people are poor,
some 2% of the population
lives in absolute poverty*

* with less than 1 US \$ per day

Source: World Health Organisation (WHO), European Commission, Agriculture: Rural Development

Poverty particularly evident in parts of Eastern & South-Eastern Europe



Gross National Income (GNI) per capita (Current US\$)

Less than 530

530 - 1,250

1,250 - 3,000

3,000 - 9,130

More than 9,130

No data

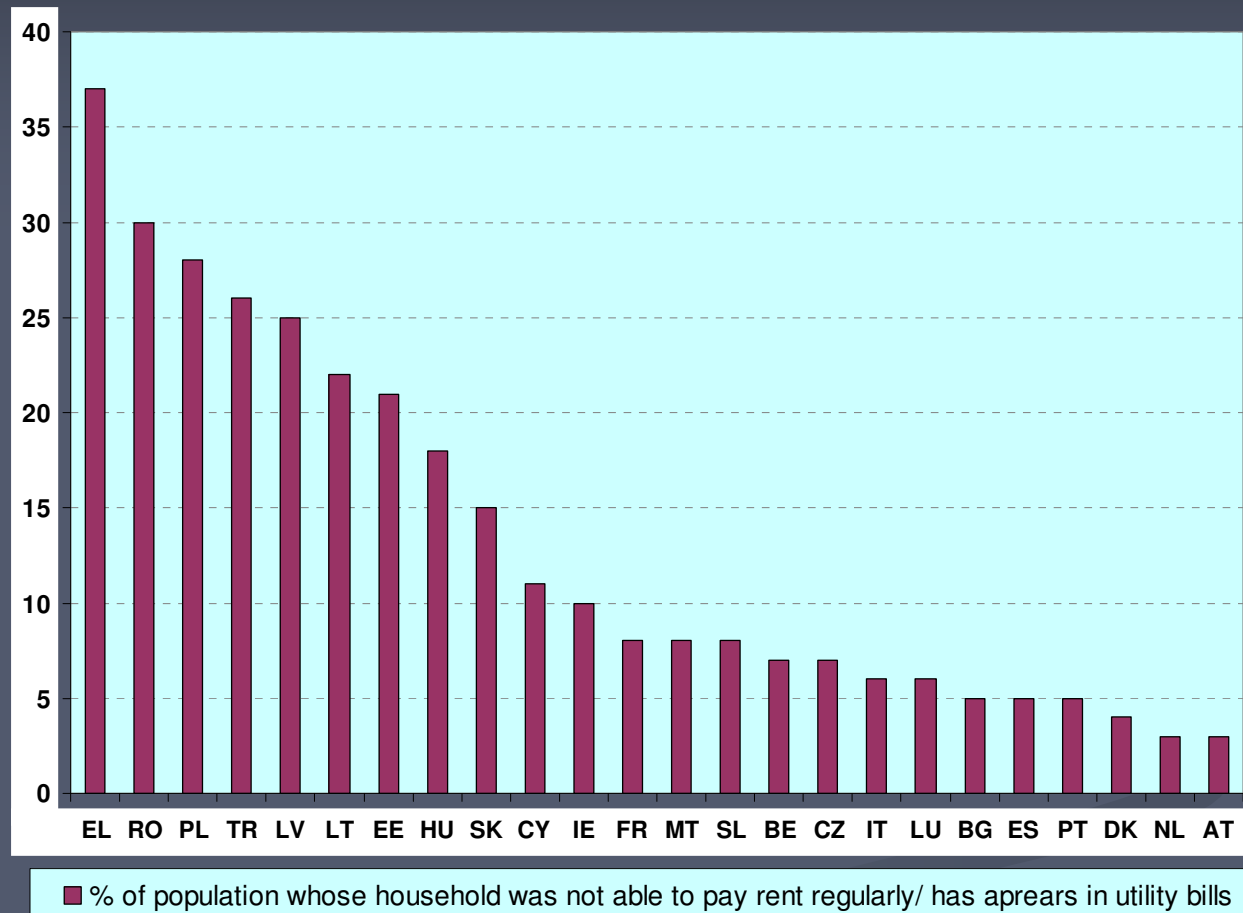
Source: World Bank 2004

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In Eastern Europe,
nearly **one person in five** lives
below the poverty line and
poverty affects **five times more**
people than a decade ago

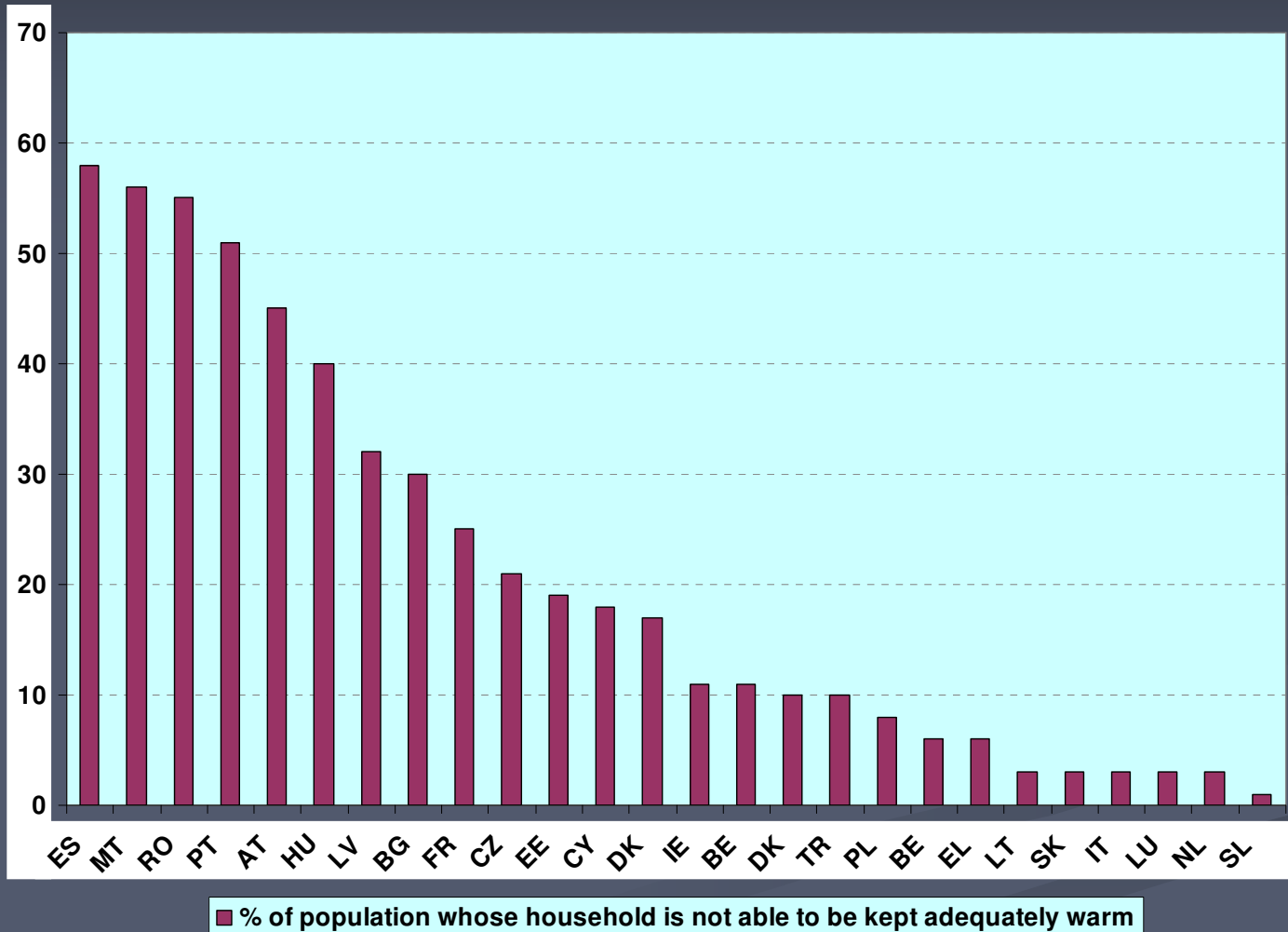
Source: World Bank

Material deprivation I (exempl.) *impossibility of paying rent regularly*



Source: Eurostat, EU-SILC

Material deprivation II (exempl.) *impossibility to heat sufficiently*



People particularly at risk of poverty, in the EU

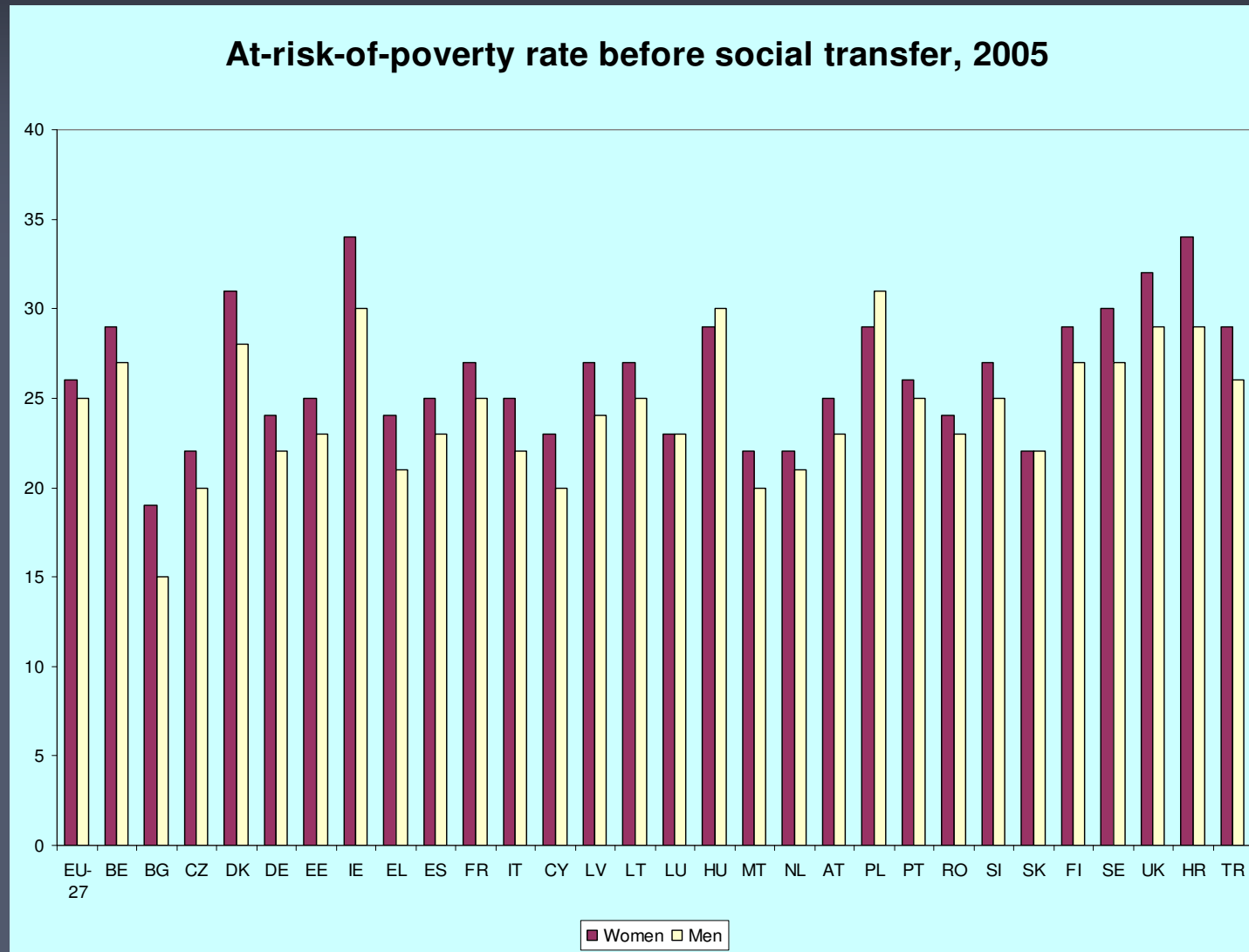
- people of working age, both employed and unemployed, living alone with a dependent child, who are, in the vast majority of cases, women
- those living alone aged 65 and over who are no longer in paid employment and who again, in most cases
- women, many of whom may not have been working before reaching 65
- those living alone of working age who are not in employment
- families with children where only one of the parents is in employment

Source: European Commission: The Social Situation in the European Union 2007

In the European Union, **one in five children** live at risk of poverty

Source: European Commission: Child Poverty and Well-Being in the EU, 2008

Women have a higher risk of being poor than men in most countries



**Migrants are particularly
affected by poverty**

Roma people are among the poorest in Europe

*rates are sometimes more than 10 times that
of non-Roma*

Source: World Bank report "Roma in an Expanding Europe: Breaking the Poverty Cycle"

Perception of poverty in the EU

20 % of Europeans* think
that people are poor because of
laziness and lack of willpower

**EU-27 + 1.000 residents of Croatia*

Source: Eurobarometer 279 "Poverty and Exclusion", 2007

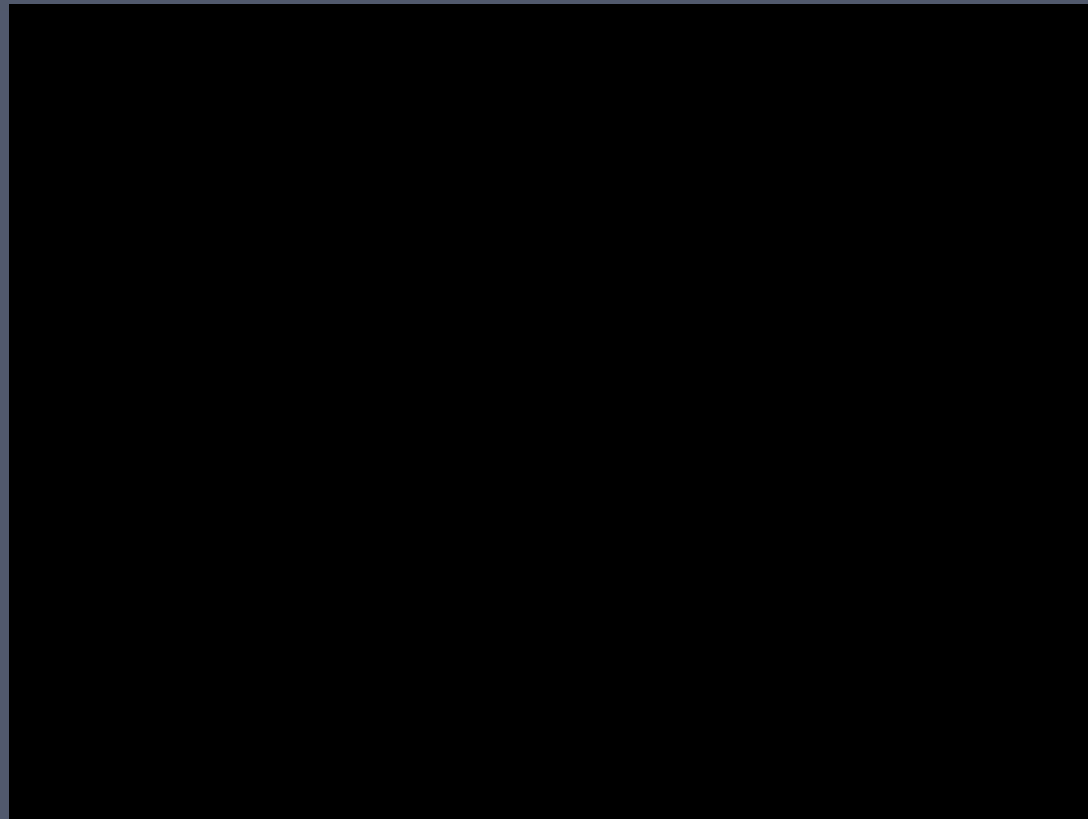
κρήση, *krísi*

From Ancient Greek κρίσις (*krisis*, “a separating, power of distinguishing, decision, choice, election, judgment, dispute”)
< κρίνω (*krinō*, “I pick out, choose, decide, judge”)

Crisis bear solutions

„Back to the future“

(by John Debney, Alan Silvestri & Royal Scottish National Orchestra)



Crisis bear solutions

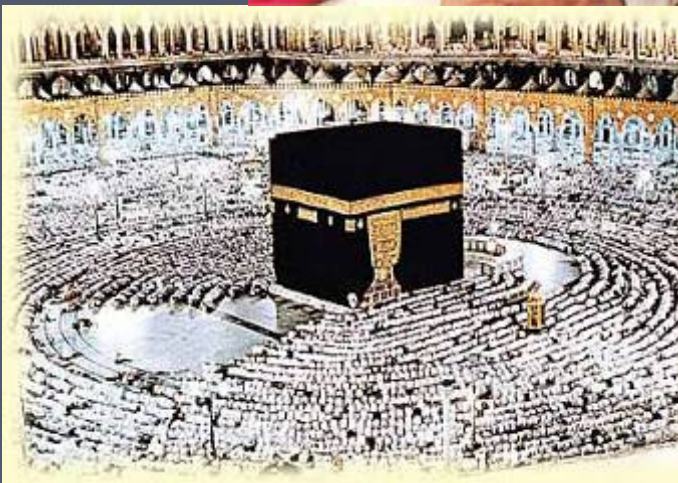
“An other brick in the wall”
(by Pink Floyd)



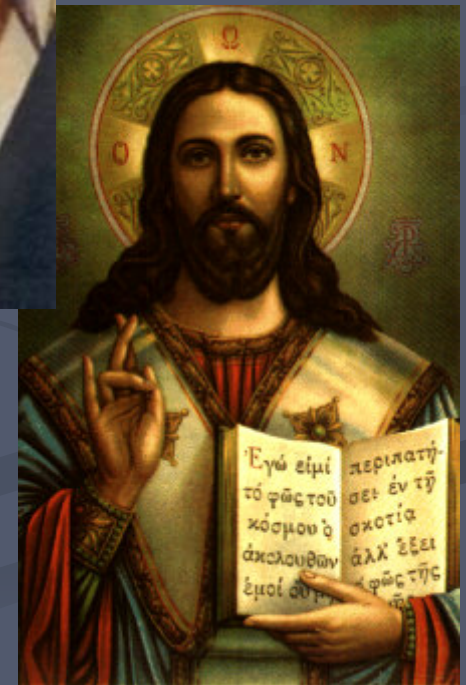
We need **global** social
We need social movements
movements



We need globally linked We need new communities communities



We need strong convictions and behavior



We need political leaders communicating beyond the borders



Caritas is able and willing to contribute as a church organization resolving the actual crisis.

Caritas an expert of crisis



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The crisis was already existing
among us.



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We need to read the signs of the time.



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- accepting our limits

« God chose what is low and despised in the world, what is regarded as nothing, to set aside what is regarded as something »
(1 Cor 1,28)

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- community actions

«Then you will live in the land I gave to your fathers; you will be my people, and I will be your God . » (Ez 36,28)

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- the excluded have to participate in our actions

« Terrors are turned loose on me; they drive away my honor like the wind, and like a cloud my deliverance has passed away.

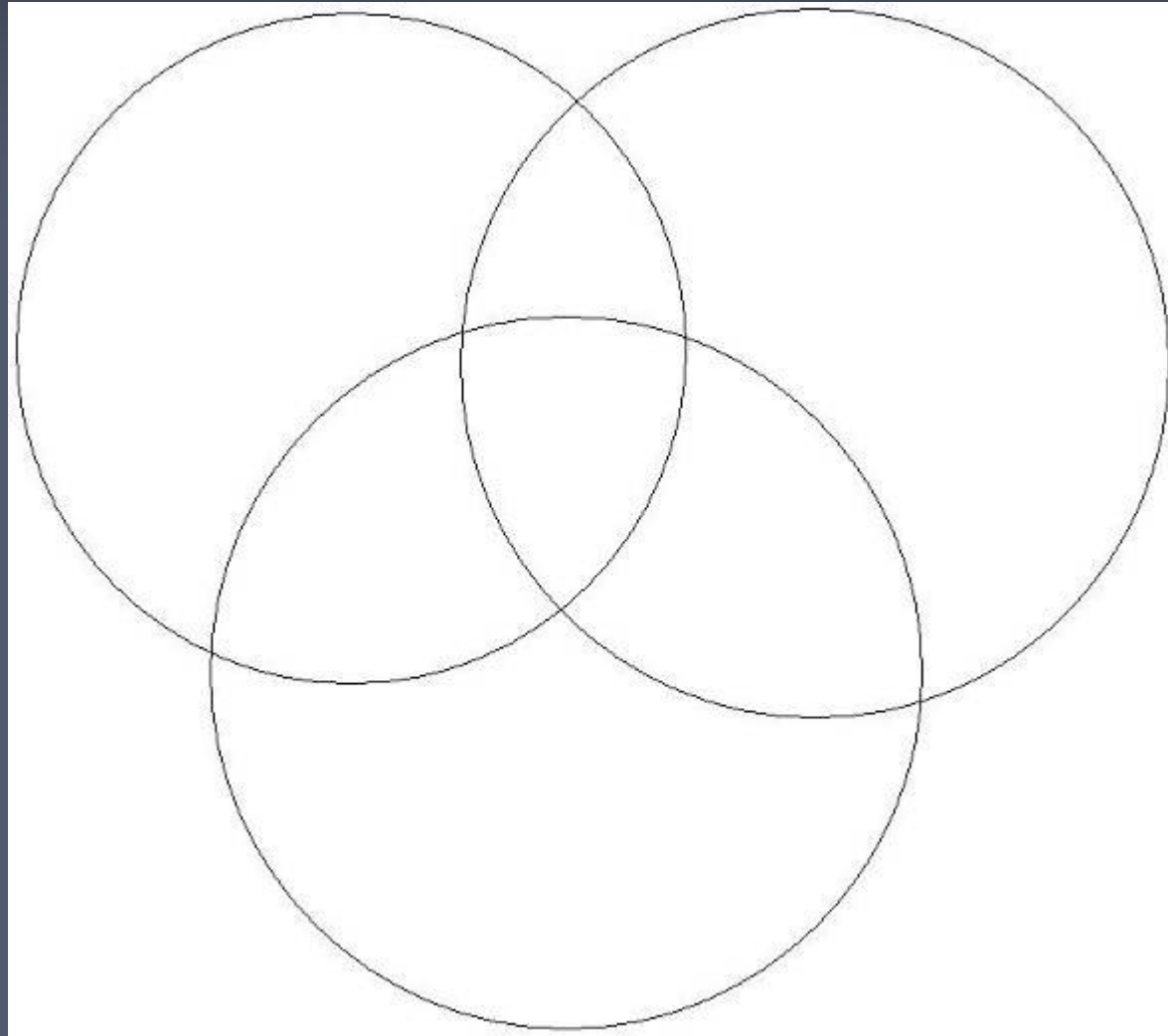
» (Job 30,15)

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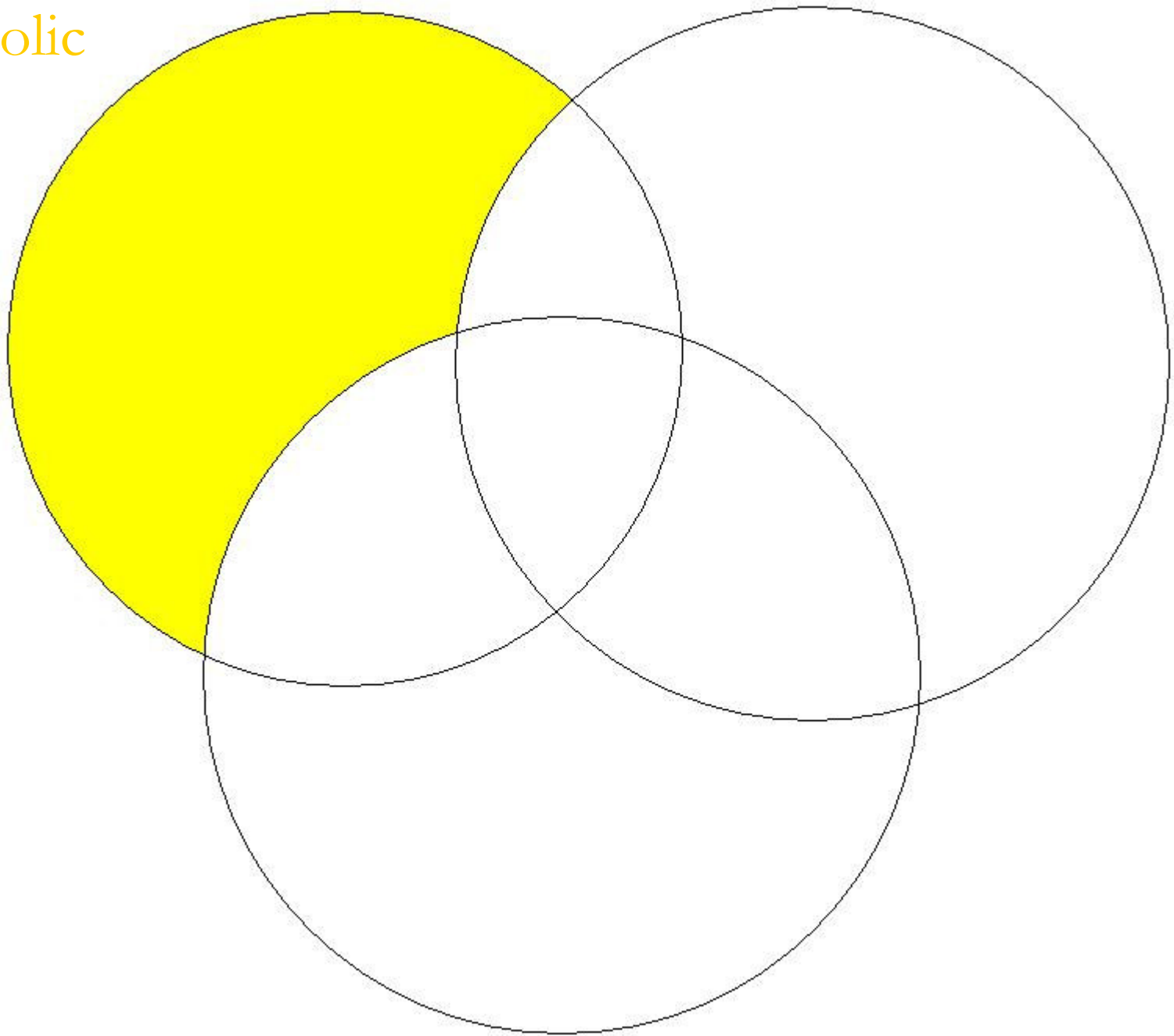
- to denounce injustices

« But all things being exposed by the light are made evident. » (Ep 5,13)

Religions are sources for crisis management

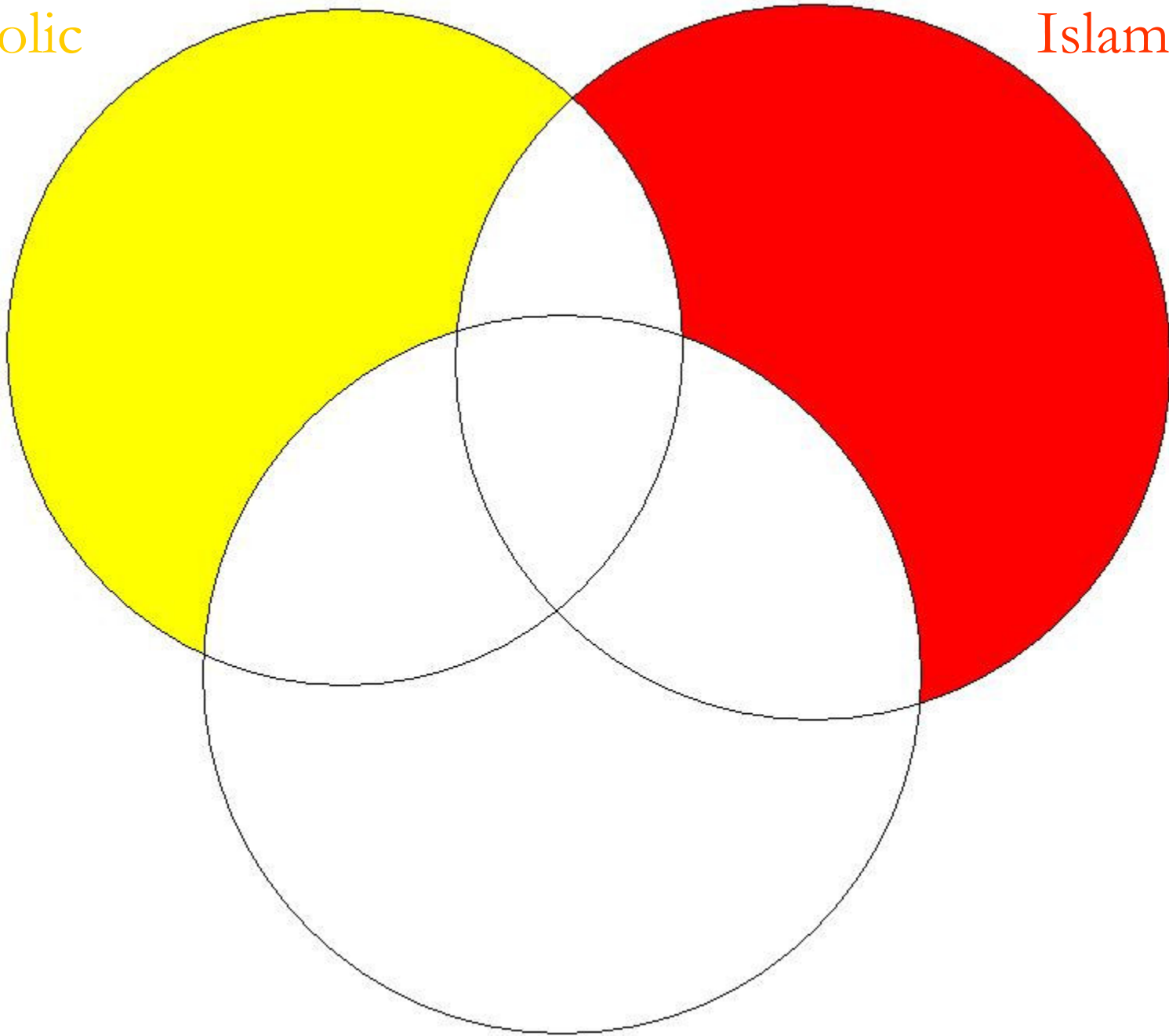


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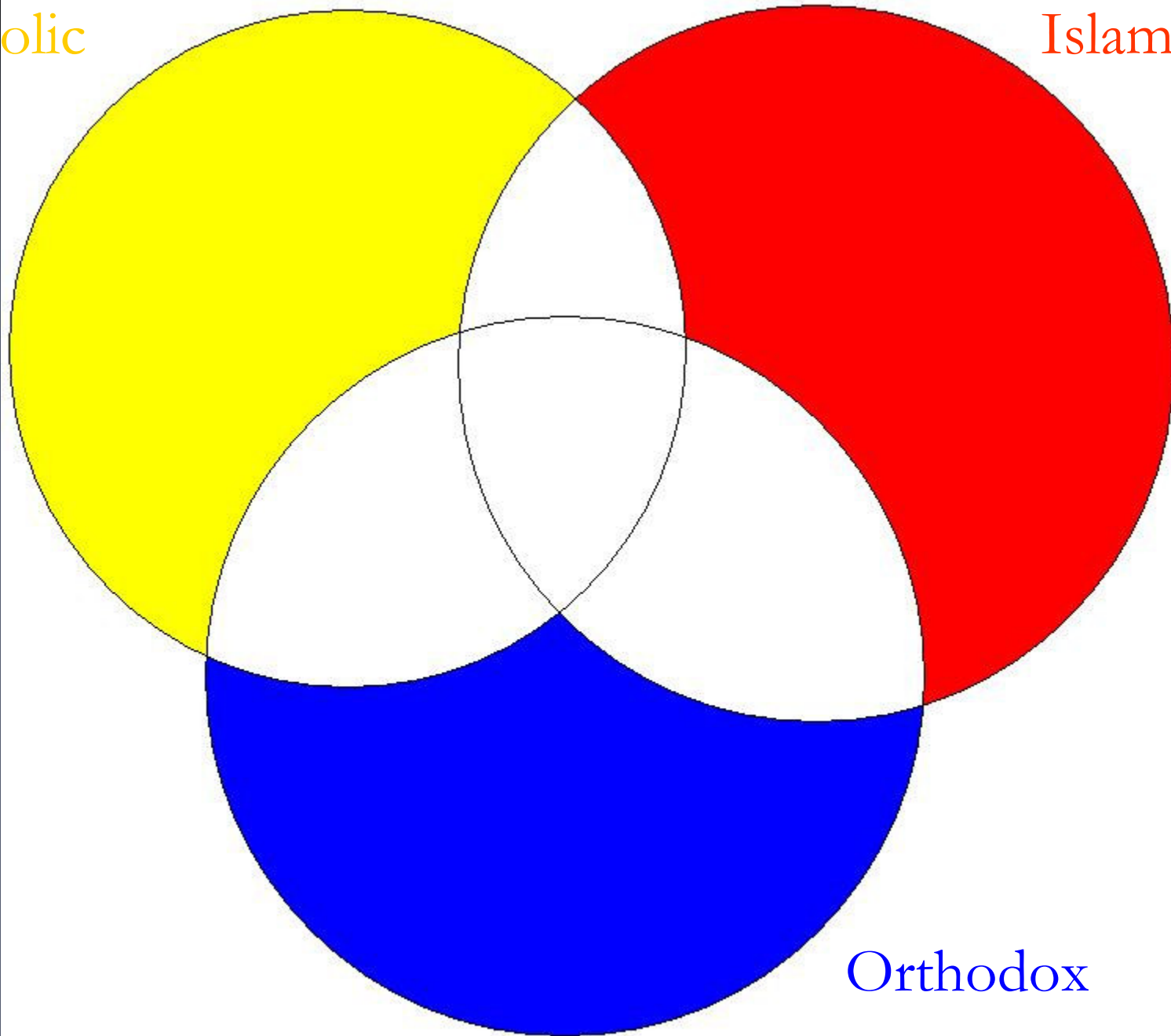
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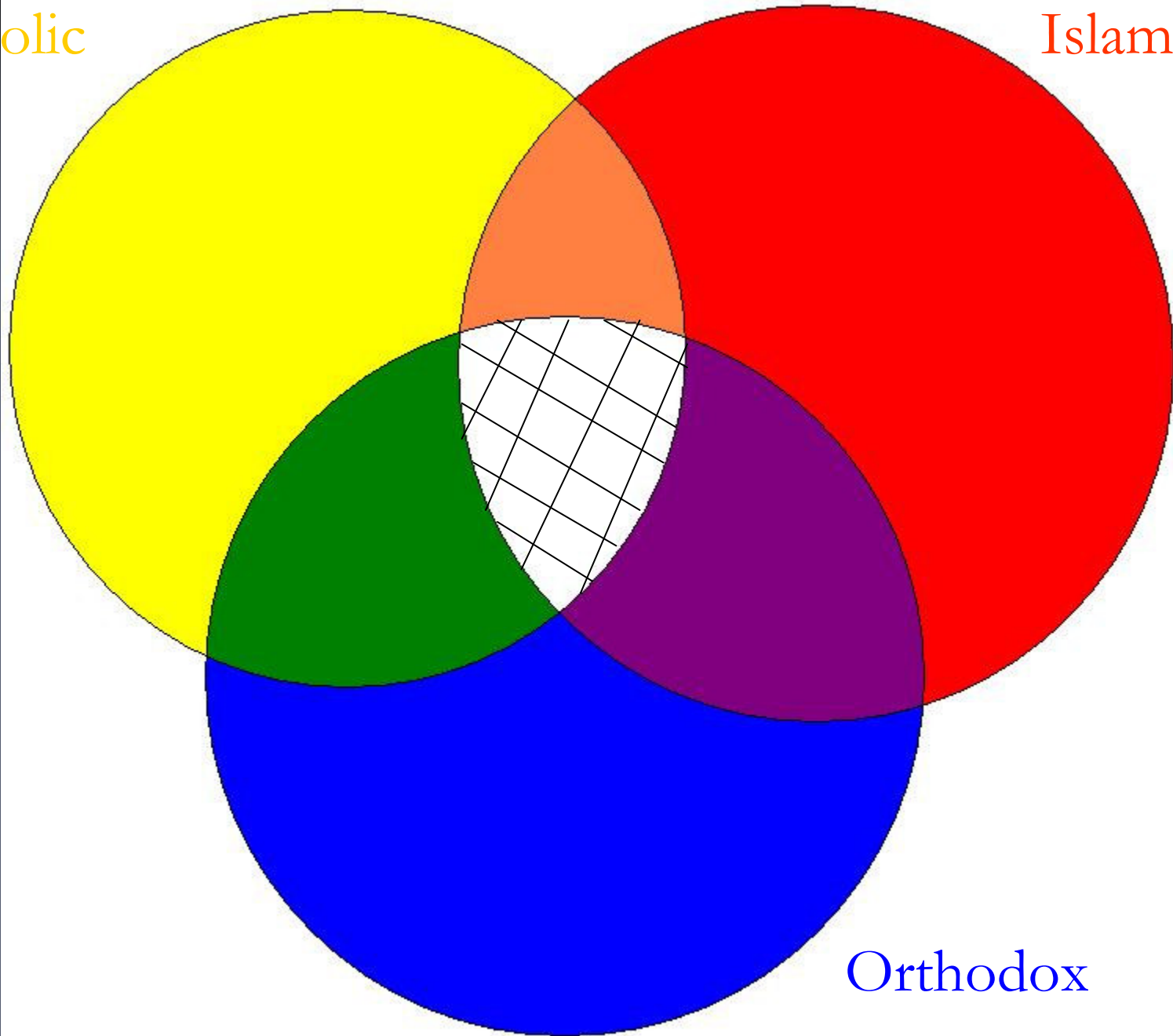
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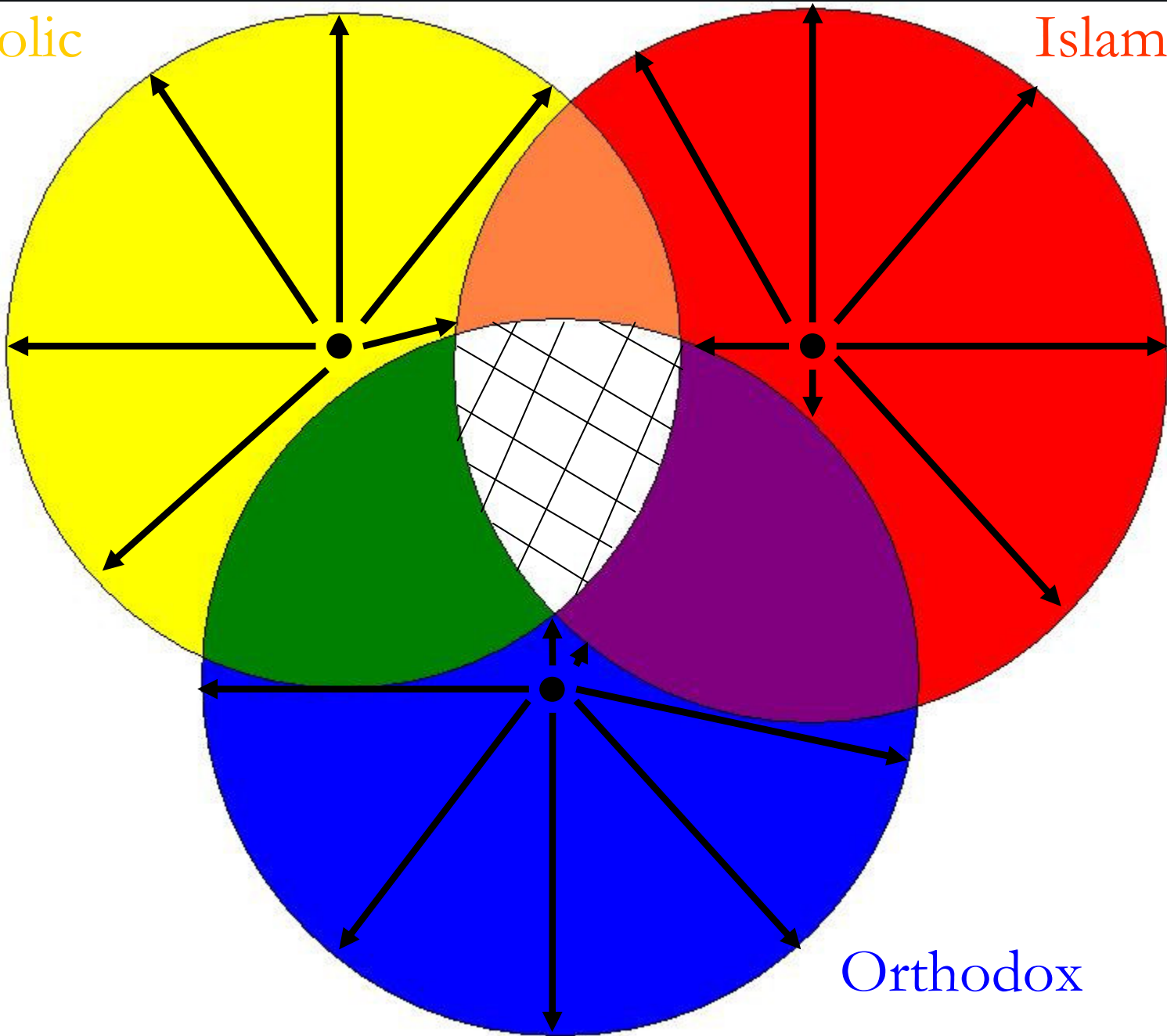
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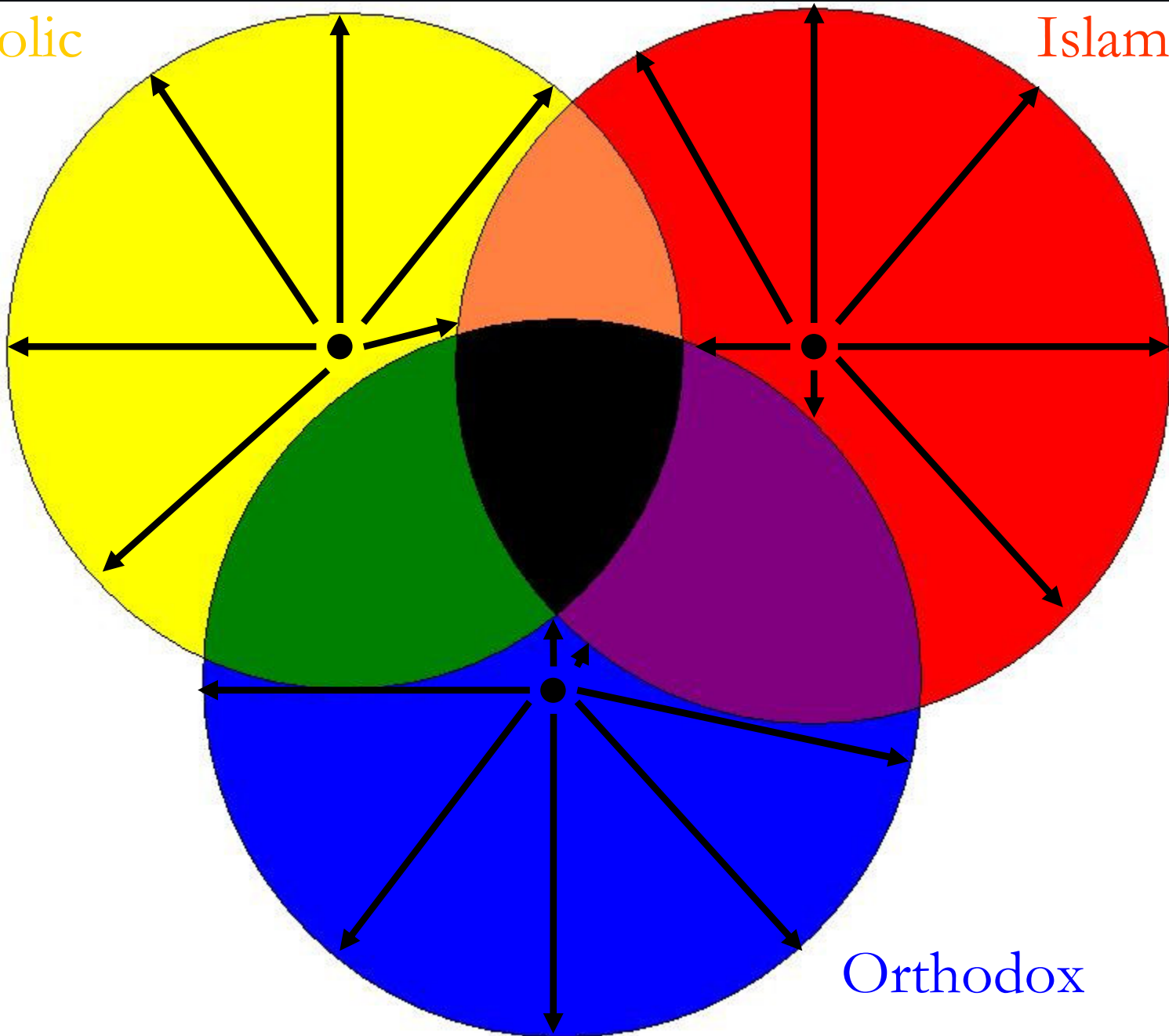
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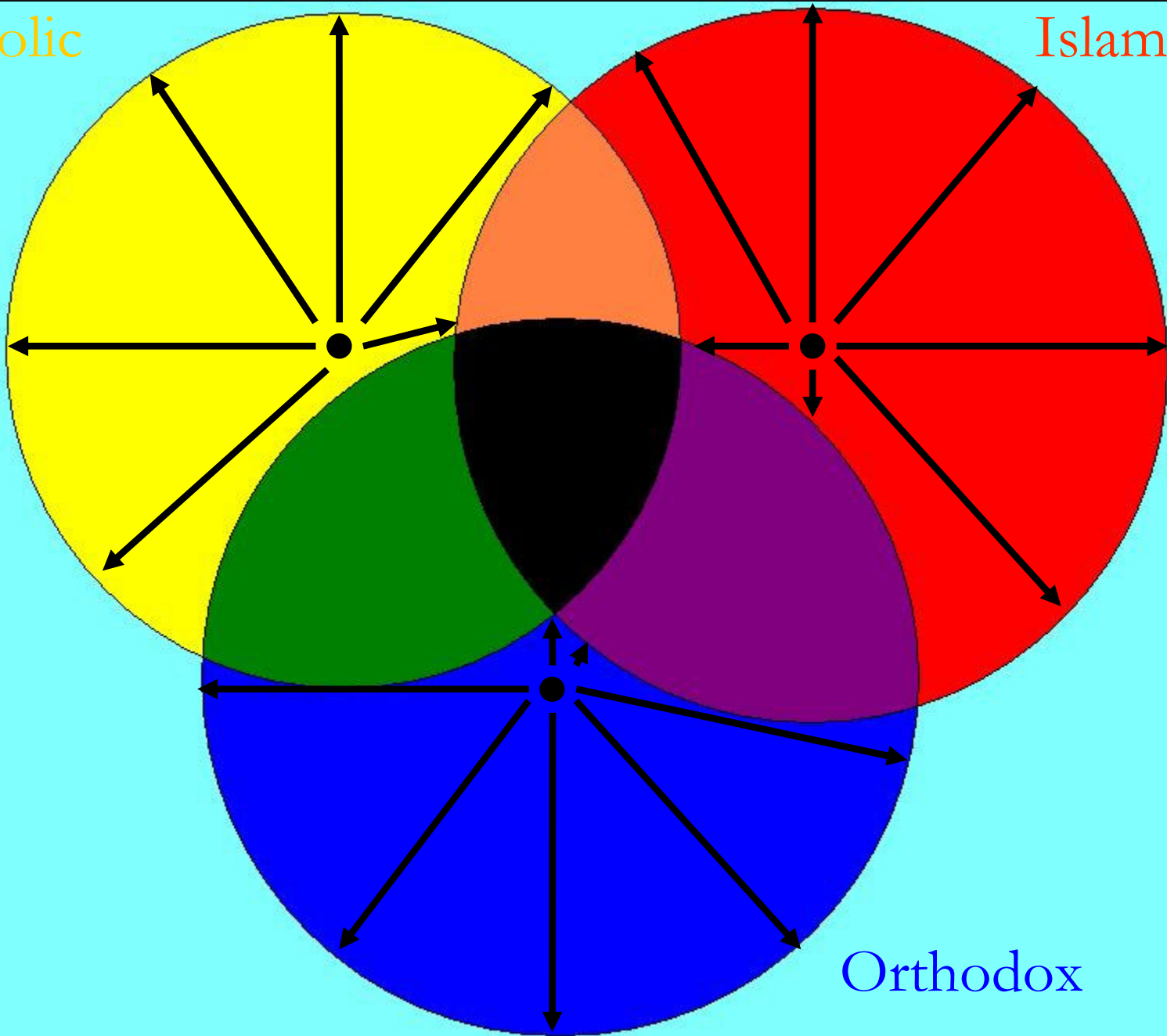
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Hans Küng
Projekt
Weltethos



Piper

**2010 – Caritas acts against
poverty
across europe . around the
clock . around the world**

The Caritas Y2010 Campaign

■ Campaign goals

- Raise awareness with regard to the reality of poor people in society
- involve people in the topic of poverty
- Including the poor in our advocacy work, empowerment
- Lobbying for sustainable, poverty preventing social security systems
- The campaign must be adaptable to different languages and cultures, so that all Caritas organisations can join in.

The Caritas Poverty Papers

■ Main goals

- To develop, starting also from our basic principles, a common vision of Poverty and Social Exclusion in Europe for Caritas in the XXI century, considering not only material aspects but also the lack of rights and opportunities and the structural consequences of an unsustainable development model;
- To give voice, while describing the poverty and its dynamics, to the persons living in poverty, bringing to light the importance of the sociality, the social relationships and the active participation within the strategies for fighting poverty.

The Caritas Poverty Papers

■ Main goals

- To position all our considerations around poverty and policies in the light of the “Common Good” and “Justice”, sharing awareness about the fact that “looking after the Common Good starts in each home” and is a collective communitarian effort relying upon each person’s responsibility for Justice, Peace and Well-being.

■ **Content of the core paper.**

- Poverty in Europe: facts and figures
- Poverty and the labor market
- Poverty and families
- Poverty and the welfare system
- Poverty in the life cycle
- The role of family and education system (social mobility)
- Poverty is more than not to have enough money'
- Poverty at sensitive places
- The Global dimension of poverty in relation with us
- What has to be done

- **related poverty papers (*planning ongoing*)**

- Fieldbook to the core paper (How to use it in MOs)
- Material for teachers (poverty paper as .ppt,...)
- Specific papers on different aspects of poverty
 - *International dimension of poverty and the role of Europe*
 - *Borders Window: what's going on at the European Borders? Short Reflection on risks of poverty and life among Migrants*

The main Poverty paper – chapters

- Poverty in the system of social security
- Poverty and the labor market
- Poverty and families
- Poverty and the welfare system

- Poverty: To prevent is better than to fight against
- Poverty in the life cycle
- The role of family and education system (social mobility)

- Poverty is a multidimensional phenomenon
- Poverty is more than ‘not to have enough money’
- Poverty at sensitive places

- Global dimension of poverty in relation to us
 - **Stop Poverty – Act Now. Caritas**

www.zero-poverty.org



How do we feel nowadays?

Poverty ?

Inclusion ?

Protection ?

Security ?

Needs ?

CONFUSION...

Three ways

to speak

a common

language

about poverty

as one familiar

network of 48

Common definitions

Common and sustainable
methods

Common Analytical
processes

From a report to a paper in a living series

a first step for reading and understanding poverty
together, within 48 countries and in a similar way, through.....



One smiling 40 pages booklet
in two parts of 20
and 15 languages



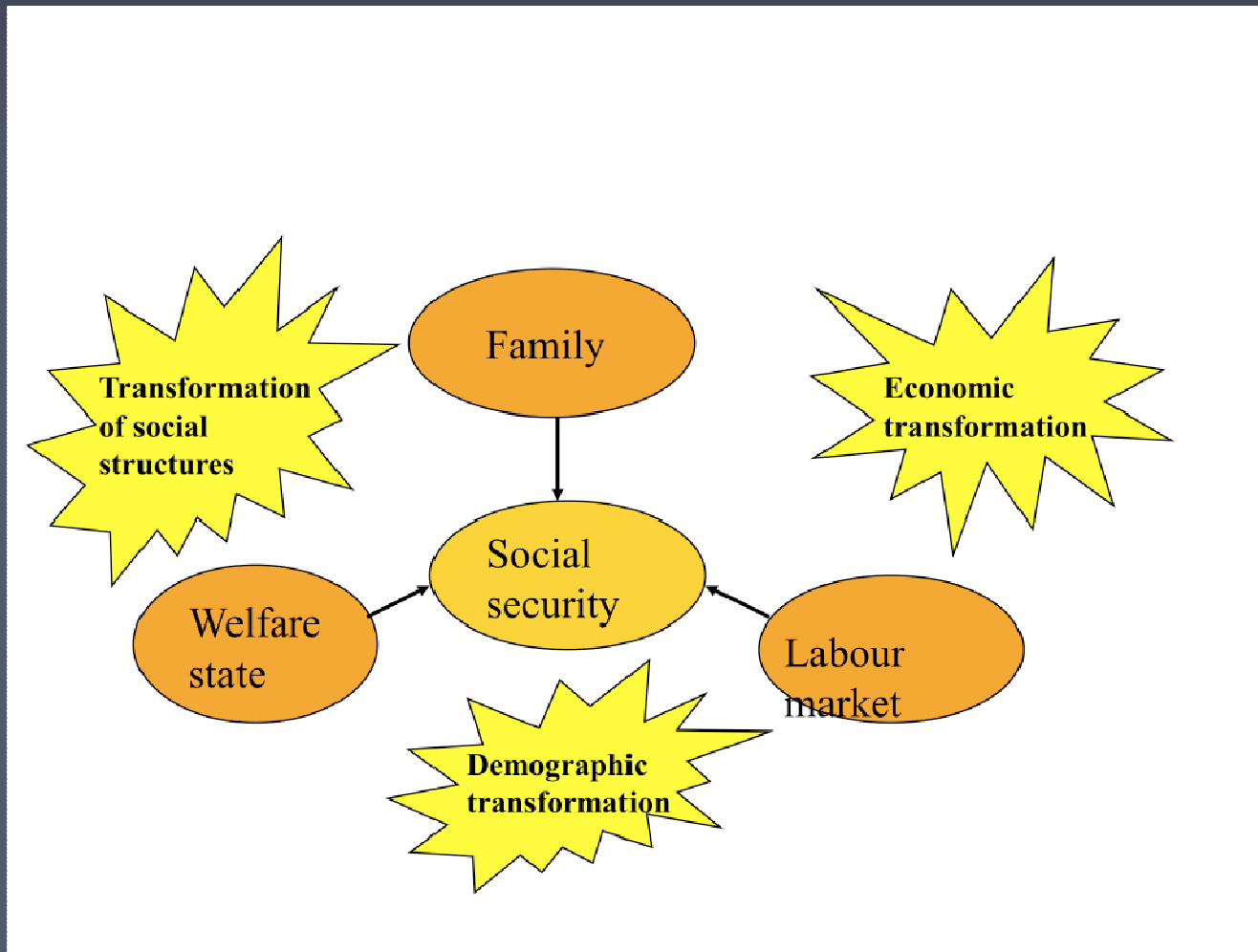
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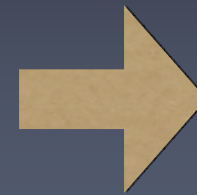
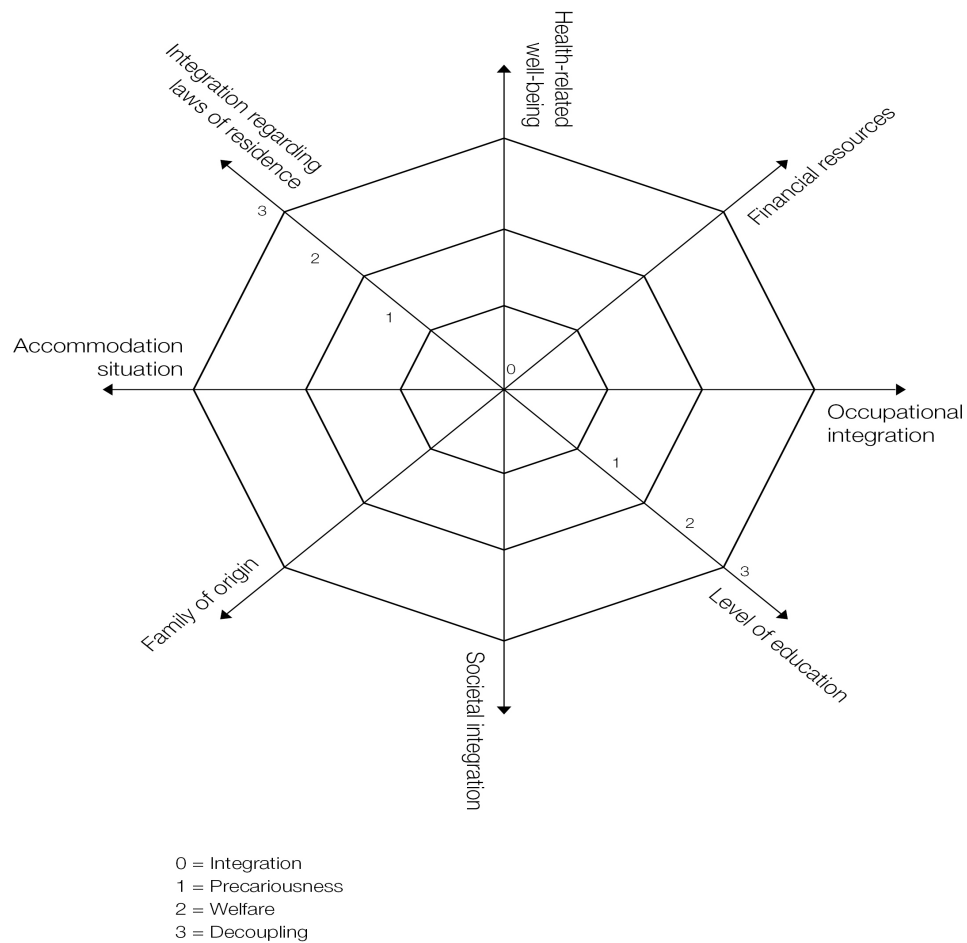
One nice & concrete
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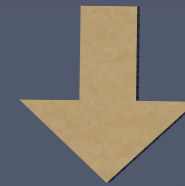
A model to understand a changing society and its challenges



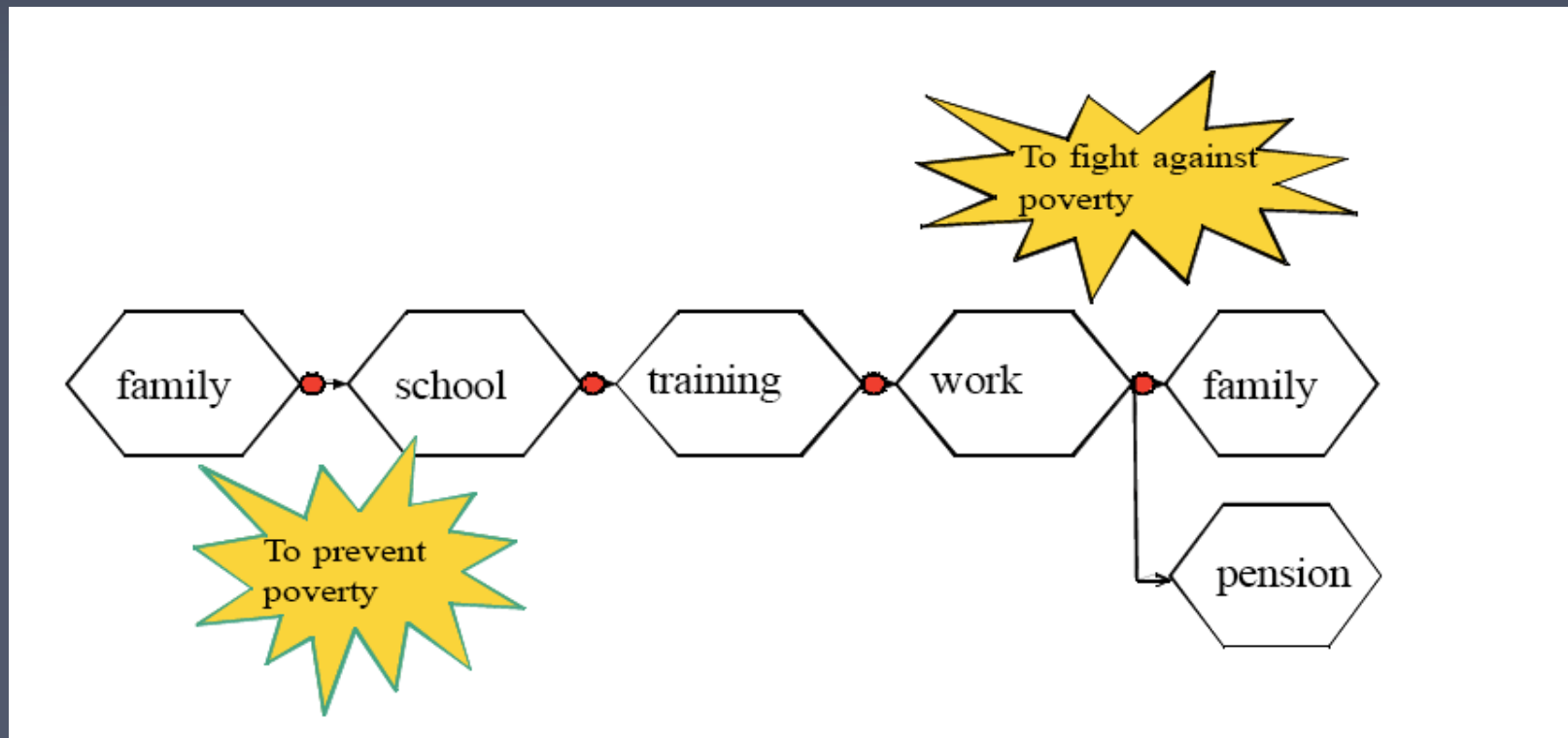
A model for multidimensional reading of personal poverty situations



questions
for assessment



A biographical approach for policies preventing poverty



Short overview on contents

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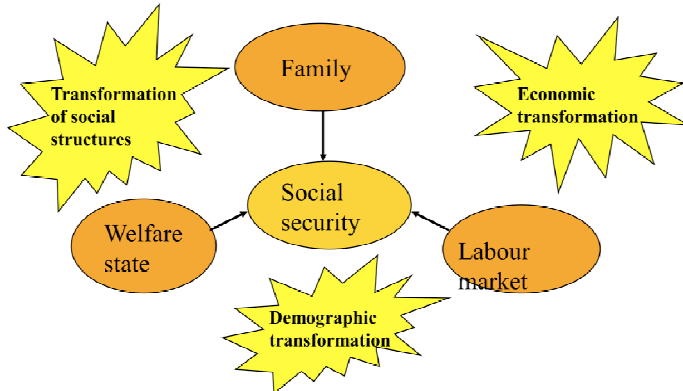
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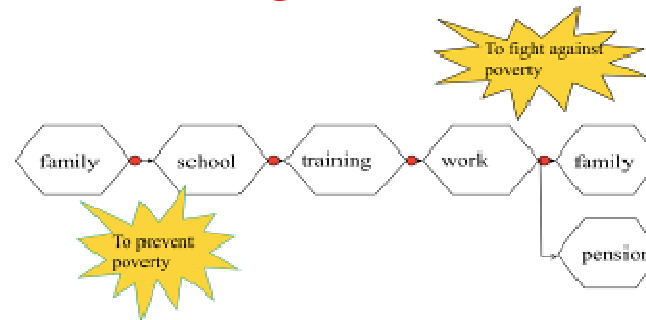
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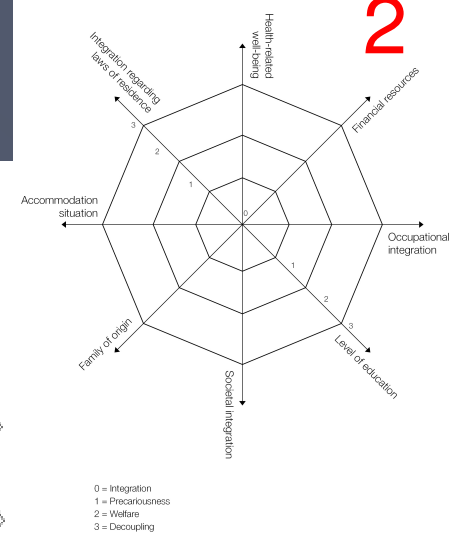
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Global dimension of poverty in relation with us

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Caritas is fighting against poverty

- **Across Europe. Around the clock. Around the world**



- **2010** The European year of combating poverty and social exclusion gives Caritas in Europe a spotlight to raise awareness, a frame to show her daily engagement and the power to activate all Europeans to take action against poverty in their neighbourhood and around the world.

The Caritas 2010 campaign

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- **We include** the poor in our advocacy work,
- **We advocate** for sustainable, poverty preventing social systems

The **event** toolkit

- Let Zero poverty come alive
 - 10 million starts
 - Church events



The **event** toolkit



The **youngCaritas** toolkit

- Material and activities for young people
 - School material on poverty
 - Videos on youtube
 - Sponsored running events
 - Award for young people who show great engagement



The fundraising toolkit

- Actions and ideas
 - Sell the symbol all over Europe (H&M, Zara, C&A, Ikea...)
 - coffee to help
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The fundraising toolkit



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Cardinal says 2009 offers the chance for a "blueprint for a better world"
Cardinal Oscar Rodríguez Maradiaga has called for 2009 to be a year of "a blueprint for a better world".

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20.04.09 - Caritas Europa Annual Meeting on Communications and Fundraising held in Brussels




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07.04.09 - Analysis of the G20 statement on reaching

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