

A portrait of Daniela Szasz, a woman with long dark hair, smiling and resting her head on her hand. She is wearing a dark blazer with three buttons on the sleeve and a necklace with black and red beads. The background is dark and out of focus.

People on the breadline
– **an opportunity
in networking?**

Don't worry, I won't try to call your convictions into question or even question your belief in your party or the system both you and I are part of. It's also totally in order to continue to believe what you've believed up to now. The only thing we're doing here is possibly to scrutinize ourselves occasionally here and this too is completely voluntary.

We live in a period where we are completely flooded by news and information and sometimes I find it difficult to differentiate between what I should watch and what it would be better to ignore. This is above all because according to "The Secret" everything I let into myself has a certain influence on my life, i.e. has an effect on me in some form or other.

Television advertising alone provides us with a huge amount of information about what we ought to eat, drink, wear, watch, and buy. Total confusion that apparently only has the goal of confusing us even more. It isn't unusual that we therefore decide to buy a product because we've seen the advertising often enough. In turn this was so well made that we were of the opinion that this was a product that we really had to have or wanted.

So if you don't know all of this, let me congratulate you here and now. However, I'm quite familiar with this myself. I've caught myself often enough buying something after it's been advertised really well on television or elsewhere. ;-)

In itself I don't find that so bad and after all everybody can and should do things as they see fit.

The same is true for our daily news. How much outrageous information are we being bombarded with at the moment? Have you noticed it?

I admit that I don't read the news regularly and I also rarely listen to it on the radio or watch it on television. The reason certainly isn't ignorance or because I don't want to know what's happening in the world, but, on the one hand, because it's totally demotivating and, on the other, because here and there I have certain doubts about some of the things we're being told or shown.

I sometimes believe that we only notice a fraction of everything that's happening in the world and, on the other hand, that even this part we do learn about is presented in such a way through our media that we only learn about certain parts of the whole. By the way, I'm sure that that is also one of the reasons for the image of network marketing, which is still bad at least in part.

Perhaps it's got something to do with not unsettling us unnecessarily and in this way to more or less defuse things or even to change them.

It only surprises me sometimes when we're constantly shown how bad things are in other countries but we're rarely shown how

things look outside our own front doors, in our own ranks.

How many people are there now who really don't know how to make ends meet with a minimal wage that they still have to use to feed a family or even pay off the mortgage on their house. We aren't told or shown that there are more and more people that have gotten into endless debt since the introduction of the euro.

They also don't show that it's made incredibly difficult for single mothers to work and to have a career so they can earn as much money as before. Instead they are punished for it and they have to watch as they fall back a huge step both financially and in their profession.

Or they also don't show us that, although we live in the West and we've developed so far after all, women still aren't treated as the equals of men when it comes to handing out leadership positions. In this respect we complain about the Middle East – but are we really that much further? Perhaps only in the sense that here as women we don't have to wear a veil.

It's also interesting that when you look at the news in foreign countries, a completely different image of your own country is shown from the one you know when you live there. Perhaps, as I said above, it's got something to do with not wanting to unsettle people, but perhaps also independently of this fact information is simply being withheld from us deliberately.

I'll just remind you briefly about how the decision was reached to introduce the euro more than 10 years ago.

In Switzerland the people decided quite consciously at that time not to introduce the euro and at the time people made fun of them for that. Clever people. The people decided and were allowed to decide. In Germany as in many other countries **it was simply decided** to do so. The people, as far as I remember, had nothing to say in this regard.

Now all these countries are bearing the consequences for this and one country after another is going bust. But who are these countries? These countries are made up of people. The individual people who live in them. You and me. All of us. The countries that were previously doing better now face bankruptcy, they're at the end of the road.

Things have gone so far that now some countries will probably end up getting booted out of the EU or jumping ship. In the one hand, this is understandable since they are making the

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other countries weaker. On the other hand, did these countries really want to be in the EU at that time? And in the USA things don't look any better.

But let's come back home. Did anybody in Germany ask if people wanted to swap the mark for the euro? Or were the Italians asked about the lira? Or the Austrians about the schilling? Or the Greeks? I can't remember that there was a referendum like in Switzerland. Can you?

Nobody asked at all at that time. It was all decided way over our heads. The people had no influence. How much everybody mocked the Swiss at that time because they wanted to stay on their own and didn't want to open themselves up to the EU and the euro.

If you now look at the consequences some countries and peoples would make the same decision as the Swiss did at that time – and perhaps rightly so! Well then, I'm sure that the way things happened can be justified.

Nevertheless the family man who was still able to pay off his mortgage, feed his family, and take a vacation without any difficulty 11 years ago is today prohibitively burdened financially and psychologically and often doesn't know where to turn.

Pensions are an even greater lie. There are people who've worked hard all their lives, earned good money and built up a corresponding comfortable lifestyle, and suddenly now in their old age they start drawing their pension. But suddenly from this moment they are receiving only a fraction of what they were earning before. **To be precise it's no a question of a well-earned pension,**

but rather of a trip into the poorhouse because from this moment on they can hardly afford anything anymore.

In view of these undisputed facts the question remains: What can you do at all as a single individual?

Can you really do anything other than fall into total depression (something that more and more people are falling victim to)?

Certainly we have no influence on what people decide to do and what road they take. That's something that every single one of us must decide for ourselves.

I myself have no answers whatsoever to offer other people. I only ask myself questions and try to find answers for myself. For others I can't find any – that's something they have to do for themselves.

However, I do believe and I'm convinced that it's even less useful to wait for the government to take some sensible decisions at long last, decisions that benefit the people.

At least in the last 10 years I can't remember any decision that would have really benefited us. Can you? But every party puts the

blame on the others. What's going on there in parliament is something you don't really want to watch.

So when we consider all of that, what do we want to do? Complain??? This stupid government?? Hope that the next one will be better?

But that's pure illusion. It's completely irrelevant who forms the government, the problems remain. So if we're absolutely clear about this – and I can't imagine at all that anybody still has any doubts about it – what is left?

In my opinion there's only one possibility. The possibility I personally see is to free yourself of everything, to place no hopes in the outside world or the government and to do it yourself.

I see only the road to **COMPLETE independence**. Whether first in your profession, i.e. as a full-time job, or on a part-time basis is moot point. However, I believe that we often aren't clear what power we acquire when we confront life ourselves through our own efforts with all the consequences that implies. But this doesn't mean that everything is easy – I just believe that it's a better opportunity and that you have more power than if you are only an employee and are constantly just waiting to hear what your boss, the government etc. wants to tell you or, even worse, hoping every day anew that the company you work for isn't going bust.

I also shouldn't be understood that I mean "taking on the world alone" – definitely not. We're only strong when we stick together.

There are no guarantees anywhere these days no matter what you do or what profession you pursue. In times when we hear of banks going bust, we can't speak of security. But might it not perhaps be a good idea to set yourself up on two legs? For example, a main full-time job and a part-time job?

Perhaps you're now asking yourself what that all has to do with networking.

Well yes, in networking I see a further opportunity to build up something for yourself without getting too heavily into debt as would be the case with traditional self-employment. One of the reasons for me starting in networking way back then was that I was taking responsibility for myself and my success. So I wanted responsibility and I wanted to earn more than just a normal salary. Certainly there are also other possibilities but only a few where at first you only have to make such a small investment.

In networking I don't see the solution to all the questions of life, but I do see an opportunity to move more freely in a financial sense so that you can then focus on the other questions in your life. The questions or the dreams **that will make you happy.**

Stop thinking that this isn't possible or is reserved for a few people. That simply isn't true! I had nothing when I started and I know more and more people who had little or nothing and today in networking they earn incomes starting at €500, €1,000, €2,000 and more a month working part-time or full-time.

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a month. I know people who even sometimes had to sleep on the streets and who've worked their way up with great effort and now earn €1,500 a month. Don't say that's not possible. I've experienced it. Some of these people are in my team. Network marketing writes such stories on a daily basis. But you'll never hear these stories in the news and the conventional media because as a result more people could wake up – whether this is what everybody wants is another story. I'm also not saying that it's always and everywhere as easy as networkers sometimes present it. At times it's backbreaking work. That's the reality!

However, isn't it better to do a backbreaking job for a couple of years so that eventually things will become easier than it is to do something all your life that'll never get any easier?

Those are the questions you should be asking yourself. You aren't helplessly exposed to circumstances unless you accept things as they are.

The question is: what does it cost you to think that you haven't got any alternative? Vitality? The courage to face up to life? Passion? Think about it for a moment.

What do you want to wait for if you don't tackle it at long last? For a better time? Believe me, this isn't going to come!

What then? Perhaps in your next life? If you believe in reincarnation, then you can be assured that in the next life you'll be set the same lessons as those you don't want to face up to in this life (at

least that's what the esoterics say). So then you might as well come to grips with it straightaway, don't you think?

Let yourself dream. The dream of a future that's better than your past was. However, it can't simply remain a dream. Only you, you alone can come to grips with your difficulties and resolve them gradually.

Don't see the networking business as a panacea. It certainly isn't that and it also wasn't conceived as such. But see it as what it is: **An extraordinary opportunity to make more of your life.** And if as a result you only achieve half of what you can imagine, then, nevertheless, it's much more than what you'd achieve if you do nothing or don't change anything.

To come back to the confusion in advertising and the complete flood of information, I ask you:

Isn't it better that you decide what information is allowed into your mind than to sit in front of the television and to allow information to be constantly and permanently suggested into your subconscious unfiltered

and without you being aware of it, information that will automatically influence how you live both consciously and more often unconsciously?

I prefer mental hygiene and as often as much as possible I like to decide for myself. Mental hygiene is at least just as important as personal hygiene. Many people clean their teeth every day and even take a shower, but they don't pay attention to what they allow into their minds. Sure we can't always pay 100% attention to what's being suggested to us, but we can try, as often as possible, to be awake and also to block ourselves off again and again.

There's absolutely nothing wrong with blocking yourself off if you notice that it's about things that don't do you any good. It's worse to wait and to allow it to cost you energy.

So if many people today are living on the breadline (and I don't believe anybody really doubts that), the question is, nevertheless, posed whether these people have possibly let too much mental garbage into their heads. Independent of what our parties do, we can't avoid tackling it ourselves. **A party won't really save us, they all just want to be reelected. That's their only goal and not the well-being of the people.**

What you make of that is something that, as always, I'll happily leave to you :-)

For a more conscious time ...

Yours, Dany

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