

## **The Empirical Empires**

Gaius Octavius Augustus, the great first Roman Emperor who reached the far northern end of his empire, would have never guessed that the desolated peninsula ahead of him, the Cimbrorum peninsula unworthy of his attention, was to one day equal and surpass by far his Peninsula Italica. The Emperor would have never guessed that this very wild and miserable folk, first by stealing and then by selling steal to the revival of the Roman empire, the fascist Europe, he would have never guessed that right this very folk would become the new dominator of the continent through a new form of imperialism dictated by philanthropy.

This sudden swap of roles which might occur in different paradigms, a swap exchanges the roles of the West and the East, but in our case that of the South with the North, has by no doubts affected the more Easternized West. While the South then becomes increasingly barbarian, the actual barbarians become the model of civilization, a civilization that is certainly derived by economic prosperity and other circumstances which well befit the new media paradigm of these days such as the artificial lighting going hand in hand with the cold and gloomy weather of the North.

As this realization is taking place, the new empire is now obviously also becoming if not the dictator, the inspirator and (financial) promoter of a new kind of humanism. What are we then to expect from the construction of this humanism that is to shape the upcoming era? At first sight one could observe that it is decentralized, that it attempts to deconstruct any form of construction and that it focuses on minorities. This new humanism is then based on a critique of the old humanism, accusing it to be hegemonic and stepping over minor realities, however, the paradox is here great and a most hypocritical in that these very minorities elected to inspire the new trend in the humanity, has only legitimized their powerful and equally hegemonic take over; the unofficial minorities, those that are human centered being completely cut out.

Such a new empire made out of deconstructed empire, like the empire of a Nazi country who, having no history, deconstruct and reconstruct in its own domain the great pyramidal monuments of past human empires, such a new empire may only be surrounded by partisans of the human centered humanities, partisans not seeking for a one flag to homogenize them all under the same empire, but partisans developing their own centers with the awareness that they are only autonomous nodes under no organism, but themselves fully grown intellectual creatures with all the necessary organs enhanced by their media practices, their partisan weapons and the proof of their

survival, one of many empirical empires.