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Abstract:

This thesis is based on the premise of long-term unsustainability of the current economic system and its aim is to explore possible alternatives, or supplements, which could contribute to its transformation into more viable form. The first part consists of a literature research that contains the widest possible range of related concepts, thought and does not neglect the historical continuity of alternative economic thinking. In the practical part the research focuses on two concrete implementations, which are very different from each other. The intention is to explore functionality, their drawbacks and bright sides to which the method of participating observation and interviews with system members or their founders will be used. In the final part there is a discussion about whether this reformation path is the right solution to the problems and shortcomings that the current economic world is facing, or rather a patch for the soul for individuals who are aware of these threats.

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