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### **Summary:**

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At present, the food and energy crisis must be solved in the framework of global economic and financial crisis. Paradoxically, this global crisis can help to solve the above problems if governments of the most developed countries combine their effort for the well-being at international level. Difficult technical solutions of alternative renewable resources are in principle real while to give the hungry people is for our developed society too hard.

### **Essay:**

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Since the end of 2008 every activity in the sphere of economy is considered and then realised in the framework of global economic and financial crisis.

At present, one very important question is standing in face of us. To solve the problems connected with a food and energy crisis while it is necessary to concentrate our joint (international) effort towards the preservation of existing economic system, towards the keeping of banks, companies and jobs? Varied discussions will not be carried about human's well-being but only its elementary being.

A different point of view means to look at food and energy as at the priority of whatever epoch.

The food and energy crisis in many respects appears as related vessels. "Genius" technical development has discovered alternative and also renewable energy resources – the commodities as for instance wood, grass, straw, rape, maize and animals excrements. Poor people above all in developing countries miss concrete food-stuffs and also a farmland, which are not used for their living, but for energetics. In addition, it is a reason why the food prices are continuously higher. As far as their living costs makes up three quarters of their whole income, in the case of an enhancement of food prices the man is in the death corner. Does really the present high-tech world wish the above solution? Do we drive our luxurious cars at the expense of the poor inhabitants of the developing countries? The human society must refuse such solution smartly.

Of course, the food crisis is also created by a negative human activity, when the farmland area decreases – on the score of the tropical rain forest clearing, dryness, desertification, water scarcity, flood and others.

At one time our world seems extremely stupid. The wealthy part has got a surplus food and aspires to be thin. The slimness means a sociable success. The industrial countries vainly fight with obesity, the citizens die for the civilization illnesses. On the contrary, the underdeveloped countries are hungry and die for the underfeeding. That is our planet – paradoxes and ignorance how to solve them.

Fortunately, there are exist still others alternative (renewable) energy resources, which fill people with a big hope in their future. It is possible to say that these resources are provided by the particular natural elements – water, geothermal, wind, solar and ocean energies.

The mankind disposes of a maximum knowledge in the area of the classic methods of energy production (fossil fuel combustion). In spite of the above, the technologically innovative, renewable resources present a new challenge.

From a philosophical point of view the situation at food and energy has maybe the same roots as the global economic and financial crisis – a human indifference to everything what is not my problem, a cult of money, a brainless consumption and a life in the mode “carpe diem”.

A modern life style creates a big and killing paradox – a man at the race to its well-being is so exhausted that he has no power for an inventive ideas. Generally, it is easy to stay at the old technologies, at the vehicles driven by oil and gasoline, and to pollute our environment.

At present, it is common knowledge that the market is no heal-all, which Milton Fridman wrote at his works. By contrast, government interventions are necessary, especially at the periods of crises and wars.

The governments of the whole world are seeking for a resolution what to do to return states to the at least normal expansion.

One idea is to give support to the area of research and development. Evidently, alternative efficiency energy would be a candidate number one. The most important technical developments in the mankind history have come at the most difficult times, for instance at the time of the World War Two. Exactly, at the understanding, all the wrong is good for something.

The scientists at technical universities, at research institutes and also at an application research centres will find out a concrete ways how to bring the above natural energy resources in the practical life as much as possible cost-effective. The particular governments should manage this process and set up relevant motivation factors.

The present economic and financial crisis is global; accordingly an access of the solution must be global as well. An international conference with the participation of all world-powers (primarily European Community, USA, Russia, China, Japan and others, maybe each who will want to participate) should bring important solutions. Discussing things together could lead to more effective results, if every single participant takes over a part of responsibility.

It is self-evident that appropriate conclusions of such meeting will contain many intentions of various spheres but the renewable energy resources must stay at the foreground of them.

The access like this will allow an activating the crisis to a solution of burning problems of the mankind. Primarily and in the first place such solution will give people work – at the research, job preparation and mainly at the realisation.

And there is a public knowledge that an employed human is not hungry compared with an unemployed.

All absurd matters in this modern world go 1 milliard people to the possibility to die from malnutrition.

Global economic and financial crisis is a sad matter, which started up from our laziness and indifference. We can use it for a man well-being, for reparation of all wrong things in our world when it was not possible at normal conditions of function of our world.

And in fine, a solution of food crisis is more exacting than the technical changes relating to general energy crisis. And why? Because it is more difficult to give the hungry people bread than working up colossal technical energy solving which after all will bring comfort to the richest people.