

The New Silk Road Becomes the World Land-Bridge— 10th Anniversary of the EIR Book

by Marcia Merry Baker

Dec. 2—Ten years ago, the *Executive Intelligence Review* released the 460-page book, *The New Silk Road Becomes the World Land-Bridge*, presenting a blueprint for high-technology mega-projects for integrated development worldwide. Had its mandate been followed, we today would not see continued impoverishment, and conflict to the point of threat of nuclear war.

Lyndon LaRouche and Helga Zepp-LaRouche commissioned the “Land-Bridge” report in 2013, the same year that Chinese President Xi Jinping made his announcement in Kazakhstan in September, for the “One Belt—One Road” multi-national development program. This is now known as the Belt and Road Initiative, with some 150 nations participating. Later in 2013 he added the Maritime Silk Road.

At that same time, the BRICS—Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa—also was strengthening its outreach for mutual development, and today numbers nine members, and 13 new “partner” nations.

However, the Global North not only remained apart from this development drive, but opposes it to this day, pursuing instead the war paradigm of Global NATO.

Zepp-LaRouche warned of this dangerous recourse in 2014, when she addressed the Washington DC *EIR* seminar Dec. 2, for the [book release](#). Her keynote’s title is apt for today: “The World at a Crossroads: BRICS Paradigm, or a War of Extinction.” She opened, “I think it is a fair statement to say that the future destiny of mankind will depend on the question of whether

the United States and, to a secondary degree, Europe, will take up the offer made by President Xi Jinping to President Obama at the press conference during the APEC conference [November 2014 in Beijing], where Xi invited the United States, and other major nations, to cooperate with a whole set of policies promoted by China and also the BRICS countries.”

The LaRouches have campaigned for decades for the concept that “development is the name for peace.” In 1974, Lyndon LaRouche, after a trip to Baghdad, released his proposal for an International Development Bank. When the USSR split up, the LaRouches put forward the program for tri-continental development—Eurasia and Africa—driven by the “Productive Triangle” of the industrial concentration between Paris, Vienna and Berlin. In 1997, *EIR* published the 300-page study, *The Eurasian Land-Bridge: The New Silk Road—Locomotive for Worldwide Economic Development*.

In 2018, the Schiller Institute published Volume 2 of the 2014 *EIR* book, with the title, *The New Silk Road Becomes the World Land-Bridge: A Shared Future for Humanity*. The Schiller Institute also published, in 2017, the 255-page report, *Extending the New Silk Road to West Asia and Africa—a Vision of an Economic Renaissance*. There are Chinese and Arabic translations of Volume 1. They are all available [here](#).

The signature map follows from the back cover of the 2014 *EIR* report.



Stuart Lewis, 2014

Helga Zepp-LaRouche, at the seminar to release the new *EIR* book, Dec. 2, 2014, Washington, D.C.

