

PROBLEMSOLVER

a wiki

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CONVERGENCE

I. Problemsolver

This wiki is just **under construction**. However you might get the idea of what it is about.

Why PROBLEMSOLVER?

- If we ever culminate in world wide teamwork **solving political problems concerning all of us**, it is to be supposed that we will need **rules**.
- Without suitable rules any such attempt will fail and end up in notorious discussions being as futile as heated. The most fundamental rule are
 - Make discussions convergent.
 - To this end firstly ask what problem is to be solved.
 - Secondly ask whether every further step is bringing us nearer to a solution of our problem.

This is a first approximation. The second is somewhat more sophisticated but again obvious:

- (1) Ask for the very problem to be solved. The first impression might be wrong. So try repeatedly.
 - (2) Propose solutions. The more the better.
 - (3) Prove a lot of implications. The more the better.
 - (4) Look for alternatives. The more the better.
 - (5) Compare and select the best.
 - (6) Repeat this process (1-5). The more often the better.
- You see what lots of people are good for: The more the better. That's why it is a wiki.
 - Those political problems will be solved not here but in separate **PS-WIKIs**, that is **problem solving wikis**, by using **ps-rules** proposed and further developed in this wiki called 'problemsolving'.
 - **PS-WIKIs** are serious attempts to solve political problems and at the same time they are the test of our ps-rules.
 - What in PS-WIKIs is a failure could turn out as a success in this wiki developing ps-rules.

If things were as easy as that, world wide problem solving would have been business as usual. Therefore we need a third approximation to make decisions when discussions tend to diverge. The same thing somewhat more in-depth is to be translated from the German counterpart.

The Use of the Wiki PROBLEMSOLVER

- is to develop rules which are suitable to control processes of solving problems of political, social or moral nature.
- For solving political, social or moral problems so called **"PS-WIKIs"** are installed.
- For example the object-wiki **equal-value** tries to replace the vague concept of "brotherhood" in UN's Charter §1 by the concept of "equal values of all people", that is one African equals one European, or to say it more drastically: one dead African equals one dead European or one dead American. This is really not the stuff coming to speedy results. What you need are

rules to avoid vague and unsuccessful discussions. You need rules which also allow to start with an initial solution to work out better and better solutions by finding faults or by confronting the intermediate solutions with alternatives. Successive solutions controlled by those rules should improve the more people are participating and the more the intelligence of the many is being made fruitful.

- Those rules are called **ps-rules**. In this state this is nothing but a word. However it is a word denoting a concrete aim, an aim one can be working on, an aim one can possibly achieve.
- To achieve this aim is the task of this wiki called **PROBLEMSOLVER**.
- There is a more advanced German version CONVERGENCE.
- The English version was planned but I am afraid is not coming soon.

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