

The Umbrella Revolution



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The last Sochi Economic Forum emphasized that the Russian business failed to have a full realization of the fact that the world has changed. It became more Asian. The number of those who attended the block revolved around economic sanctions against Russia, manifold exceeded the audience of the Asian block, and lectures met this fact with raised eyebrows. After all, development of Russian business, in general, had an emigration nature: originally any business person went to the USA or in Europe as a tourist, looked about, launched a company and, simultaneously, got a residence permit, set up any simple operations, made new connections, relocated children for permanent residence and education, and, eventually, mean to live peaceful and secure old age at the place of “registration” of the company. As regards Asia, the situation is much trickier. The Russian business and political elite are not ready to relocate for permanent residence in China, Malaysia, Singapore or Korea. Nor yet they are ready to send their children to get education there, and, certainly, not regard Asia as a place for spending peaceful and secure old age. The radical swing in Russian policy and the whole Eurasian Community to Asia is very severe blow to Russian elite which resulted in absolute disorientation of the trend. One should not pull funds in Asia but will have to work in tough competitive environment, occasionally analogues to the sweating system. It is obvious that the domestic elite were not ready for such thrust of efforts and means. Meanwhile, in our opinion, the turn to Asia can result in change of business elite in Russia as while “the old elite” will feel concern about closing off the North Atlantic loopholes, “the new elite” which are competitive on the Asian markets, can gain a lead. The science does not stand still as well. For example, the Russian Academic Journal which a long time ago obtained an international status and has been put in the world scientific databases, now is issuing in Chinese as well ... Who else

in contemporary Russia but for advanced subject-oriented research centers is thinking about publishing research papers of Russian scientists in Chinese? And “GAZelle-Business” for a long time is engaging employees with knowledge of Asian languages. It is not worth to be frightened of Asia, it is more stable than meets the eye, and the world investment funds, at least in the short term, should preclude stirring the plot, containing changes by all means. If we analyze negotiations between representatives of investment funds allied to the Rothschild, effected in Hong Kong, and the conclusions that the regime of Kim Jong-un should be supported by all means, if otherwise both Koreas will make a junction, in which event the South Korea will have to rebuild the destroyed and hunger bitten North Korea, and this will result in deprecation of American investments, it should be obvious that at present it is difficult to find no more comfortable haven for rapid growth of capital than Asia ... However issuing houses and political leaders of America can take a different view of the problem. In the soonest possible time, when supporters of Tibet independence will suddenly announce their need for independence, and students from Hong Kong, in the same words as their colleagues from the Ukrainian Maidan will broadcast in CNN about their commitment to democracy and changes, the world community will be able to see a hard-line response of the USA to China. The first attempts to come to the protest action just with umbrellas, resulted in unusual hysteria in worldwide mass media that in China “the Umbrella Revolution” started. However China, as well as other Asian Tigers, will withstand, but their relations with America will be harmed, not least because ceremonies marking the 65 anniversary of formation of the People’s Republic of China have been setup and it’s more than likely that this to an even greater degree will deposit Asia in Russia’s arm. It’s time to make use of mistakes made by somebody else.