

Rutte to the Rescue

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Dear Mark,

The Corona virus causes a lot of insecurity.

The two options are isolation or no isolation. Herd immunity seems an obsolete idea. Keeping the amount of infected people low to prevent overcharging hospitals might be effective, but could backfire.

People are afraid. Please act **now** to prevent panic!

Most people in Europe have access to enough food for the time being; in large parts of the world this is not the case. Fear in Europe is a kind of 'boredom-fear': something is happening at last! But as citizens of this world we are responsible to look further than our own little country.

What is wrong with our society, exploitation-capitalism and over-consumption, is being revealed now. Intellectuals and other common sense thinkers have known this since long.

The economy is coming to a halt; you are considering financial help. That's a good thing. This is your chance to start a global revolution by introducing **a basic income**.

You can read this letter online here: <https://www.thinsia.com/RuttetotheRescue.pdf>

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The corona crisis involves everyone. An intelligent approach, aiming for trust and togetherness, is crucial. Financial patchwork can't be the cure. The introduction of a basic income is a mature, sustainable intervention. Seize the opportunity to create this fundament of society, which enables us to be safe, resilient and free, even in uncertain times.

Let our small country set an example. A blueprint has already been provided at [Basisinkomen 2.0](#)

With a basic income you facilitate safety, freedom and trust!

It has been justly noted that not our governments are in charge, but multinationals. A redistribution of earthly resources is not possible by reforming national taxing and legislation alone. 50% of money transfers happens via multinationals, so what is needed is channelling part of this money back to the community. Call it an international tax.

Possibly those companies concerned are willing to contribute voluntarily; you can make them realise their responsibilities. For example, they could contribute 5% of their revenues in a distribution vault. That distribution vault already exists: [UBI-Vault](#).

Or one could stimulate some sort of 'natural selection' among multinationals: when citizens positively evaluate products and services of companies, this will be good advertising for these products and services. E.g. good quality of raw materials, sustainability and treatment of employees. For this we are developing a system where citizens can store their data, also their evaluation data, in a safe place: [Citizen`s Island](#). Companies contributing 5% of their revenues to the UBI-Vault (our basic income distribution system), use healthy raw materials, behave sustainable and treat their employees well, obtain a high score in search engines and thus will prevent that customers abandon them.

Citizens` Island could also facilitate live fever reports (Corona) to allow for better decisions based on these data. **Quality data provided by all citizens are much needed to handle Corona as well as possible..** Moreover with such a service the complete healthcare will be revolutionized: [Citizen`s Island and Corona](#).

As you can see, Mark: Save the world. You can!

Best regards,

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