

natural recognition of their own condition of ‘being’ as slave, servant, farmer or at best a craftsman. After this recognition emerged the need, also in the perception of the mass of the exploited, to release an intellectual and affective energy. It was the ideational realization that we have power because we are the multitude. A power that transformed into rebellion and throughout history, through the development of the material conditions of production, culture and technology (conflict and war pushed forward the technological development) and lead to the downfall of the aristocracy, and gave rise to the bourgeoisie and the constitutional state.

After an advanced trading period production achieved a degree of accumulation of capital, that until then had never before been achieved. Thanks to the invention and deployment of the steam engine, combustion engine, electricity, and radio production changed from a hand-craft society, based on the exchange of practical value (money-goods-money), to an industrial society based on the exchange of the change value (money-goods-money). Whereby the purpose of exchange was by now not the practical value of the goods, but the money itself: the profit, the gain.

In this phase, from that point on, began the alienation and reification which characterize the human condition, the human being loses their ontological content. In the first moment of the phase of Fordian capitalism the control was formed on the basis of discipline. The wage labourer was held ‘captive’ in the factory and the knowledge was kept in the fixed capital and within the organization of the management of the company.

In the period of labour disputes that followed, from the 1950’s to the 1980’s where people fought for a welfare state, for more wages, for the acquisition of knowledge, the relationship between fixed capital and wage labour had fallen into crisis. The economy was shoved through a process of destructuralization and lead into a new phase of „the opening of the relationship of capital-work, followed by the return of the forces of the cognitive dimension of work and the construction of a difused intellectuality“ (Antonio Negri/Carlo Vercellone).

Capital went from the required control and discipline of the factory to a totalized global control. In comparison to the Fordist period we now find ourselves faced with a qualitative new, and potentially subversive factor: **the mondialization of the collective knowledge**. The release reaction of the reification and alienation present on the mondial level and no longer contained within the door of the factory and the borders of a nation. If the

collective knowledge is released from the dictates of profit, then the municipality can create, (what Marx would have called communism).

To regain the ontological content, or better put, to reform in a progressive, technological context, the essence of being, humanity, the multitude, the bio-politic must appropriate that which has been controled by the economy of profit: the brain, intelligence, affect, the body. Re-information, cultural stimulation, exertion of alternative ways of life, non-violence and conscious knowledge become active forces, the potential to turn around the existing economic vicious circle of money-knowledge-money into a virtuosic circle of knowledge-money-knowledge. Whereby money becomes a means and not an end to the knowledge (the commune). Down this road art plays a particularly important role provided art is not idealogical, constitutive, and not mystified, but an authentic valency of insight. As a truthfulness, (containing truth), which reveals the capacity to escape the mechanisms of a totalitarian organization of society, by denouncing the remorseless inhumanity of the system. (Adorno)

Thus it is certainly possible to imagine a rational miracle, „in which the human being, through work in the outer-nature is reconciled in art within the inner nature.“ (Darrow Schecter)

In this dimension the hermeneutic notions of control and security take on a totally different meaning, and maybe even as words become completely expendable.

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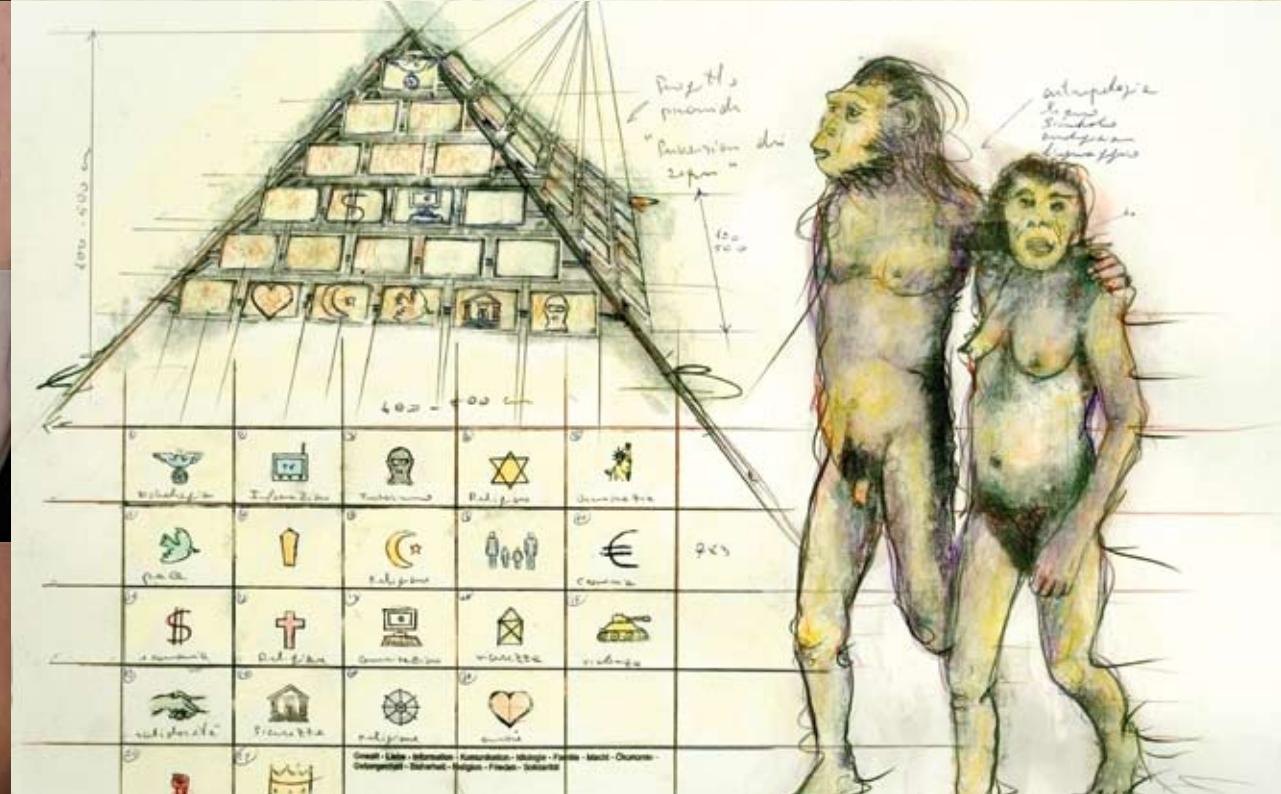
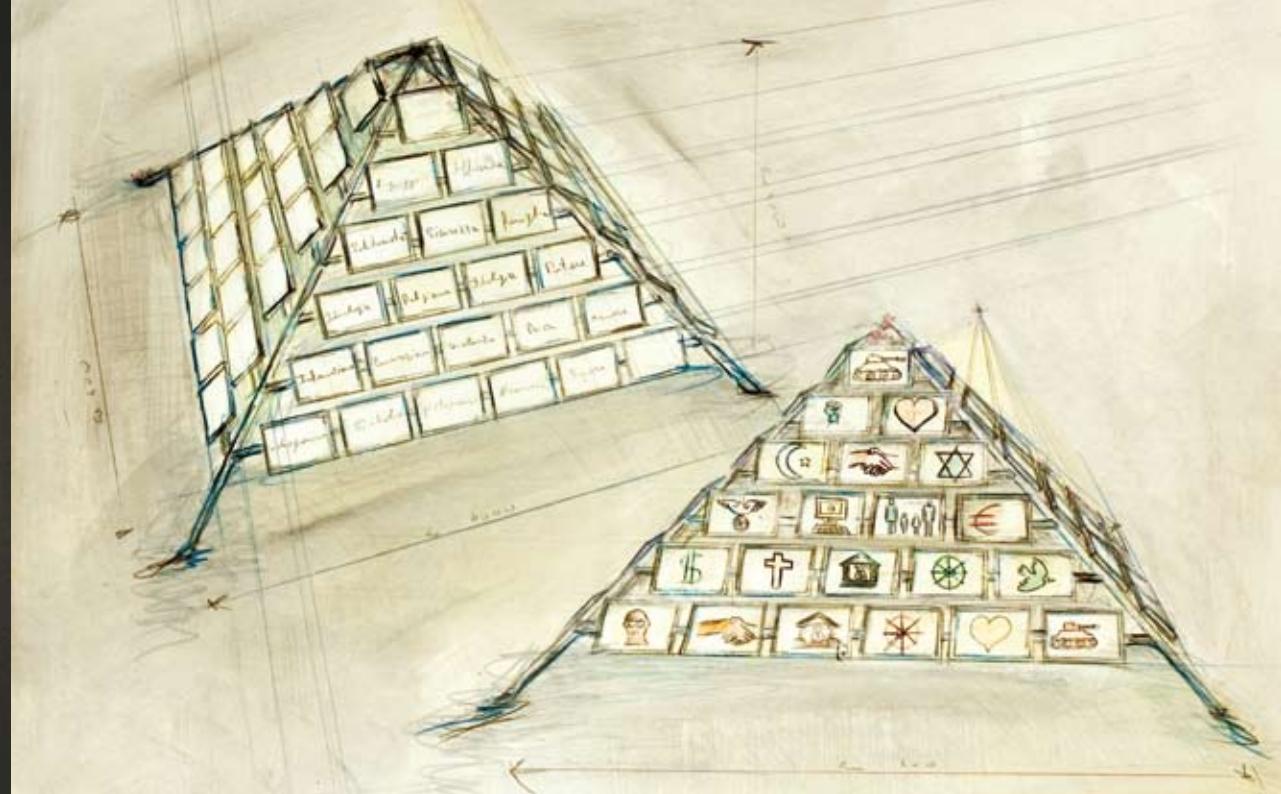
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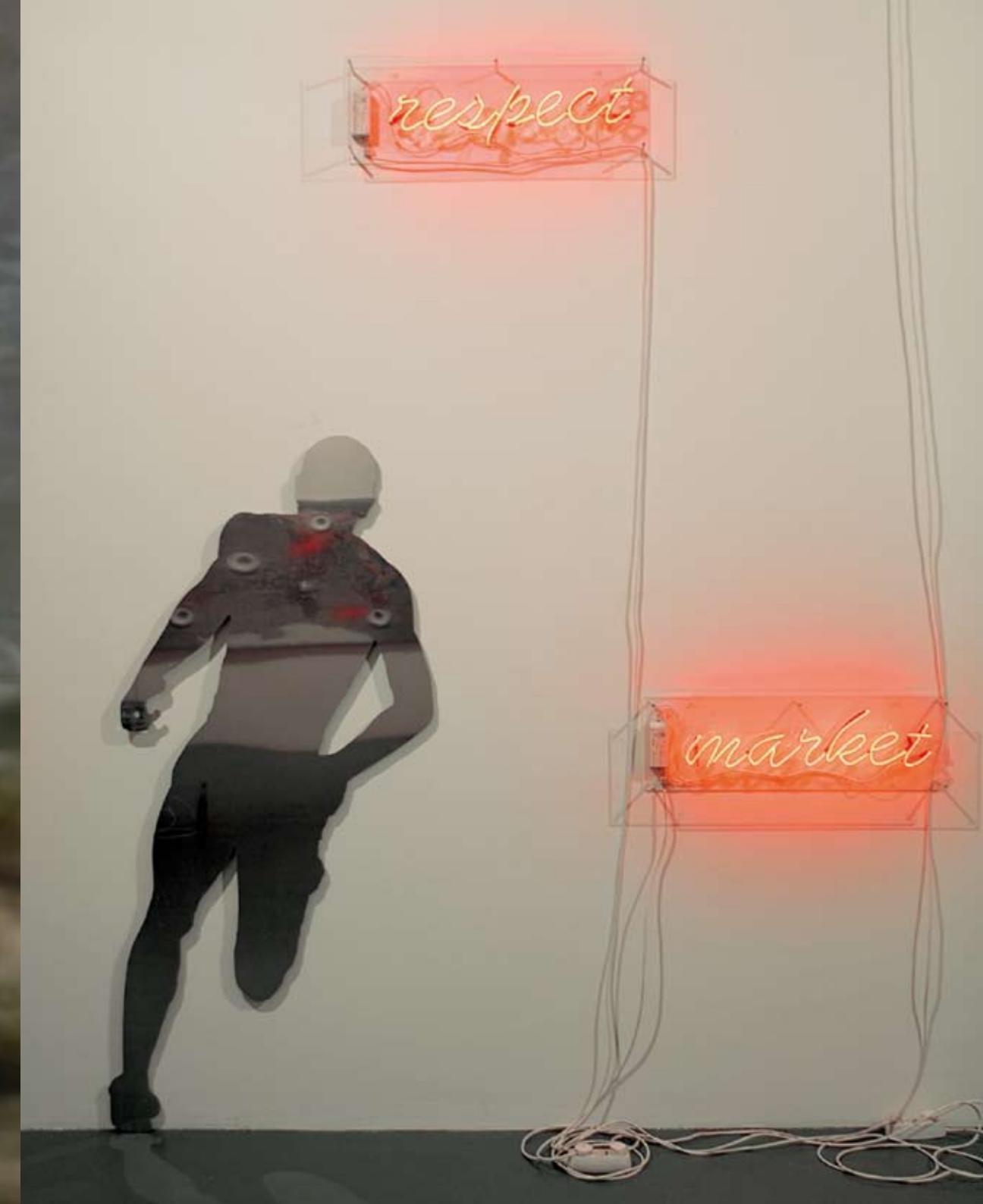




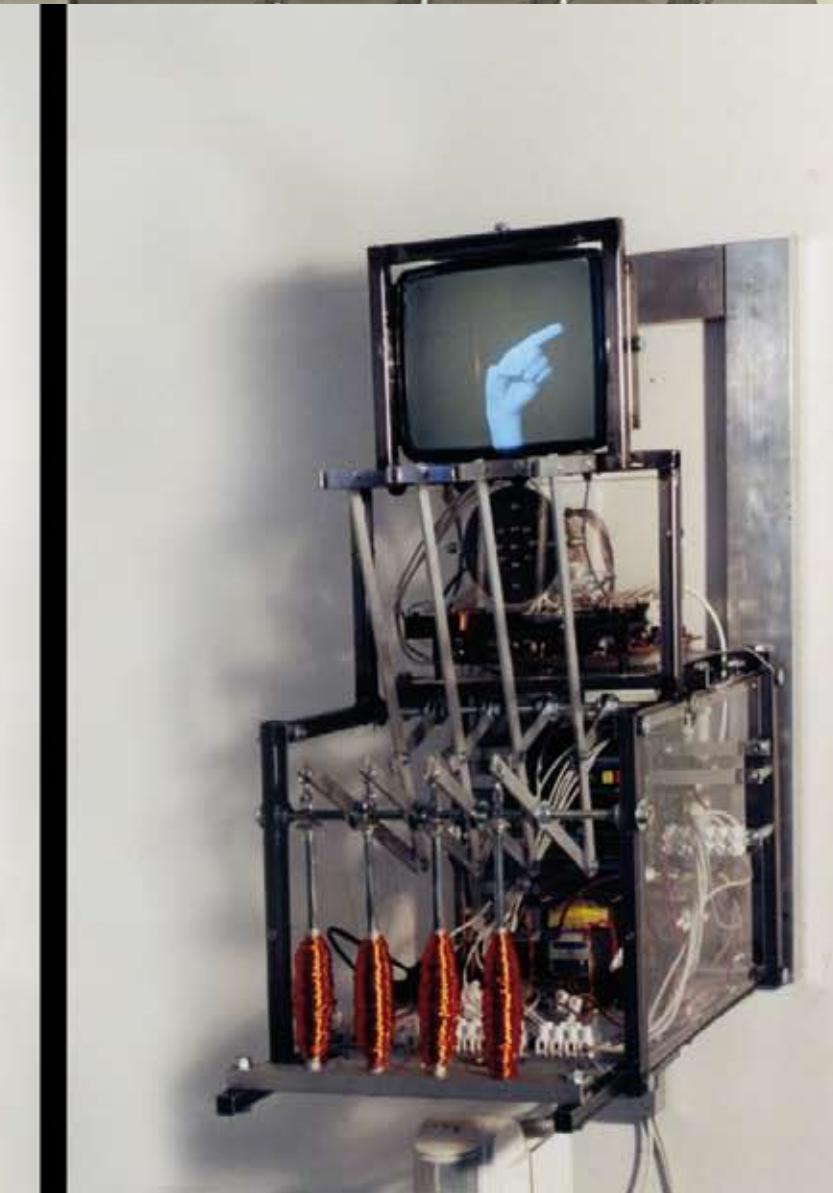
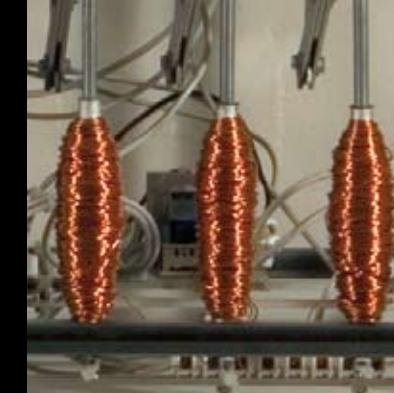














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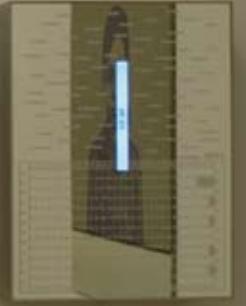
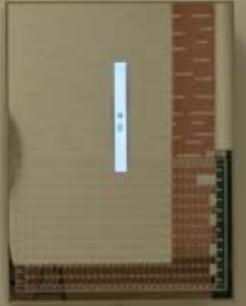
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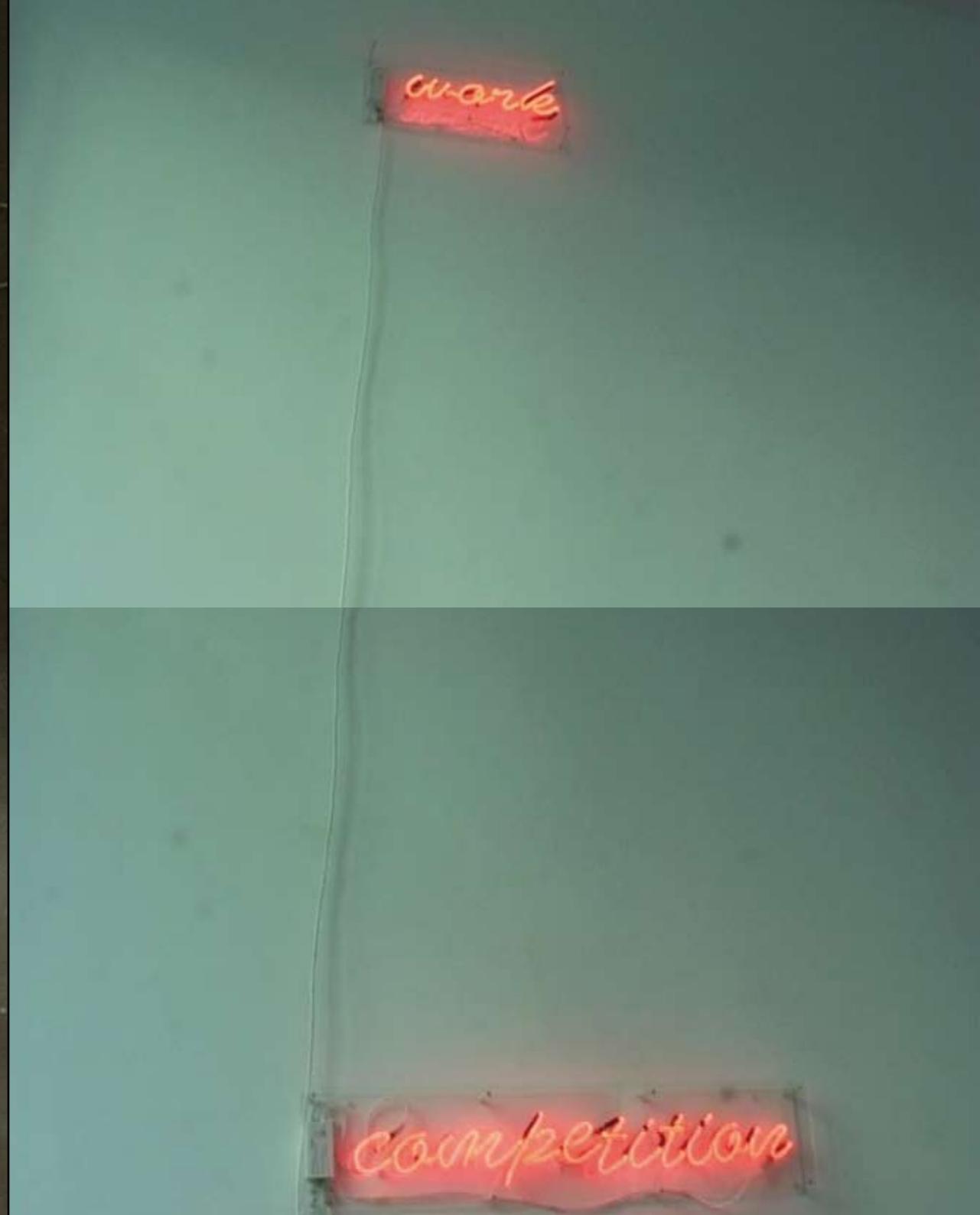
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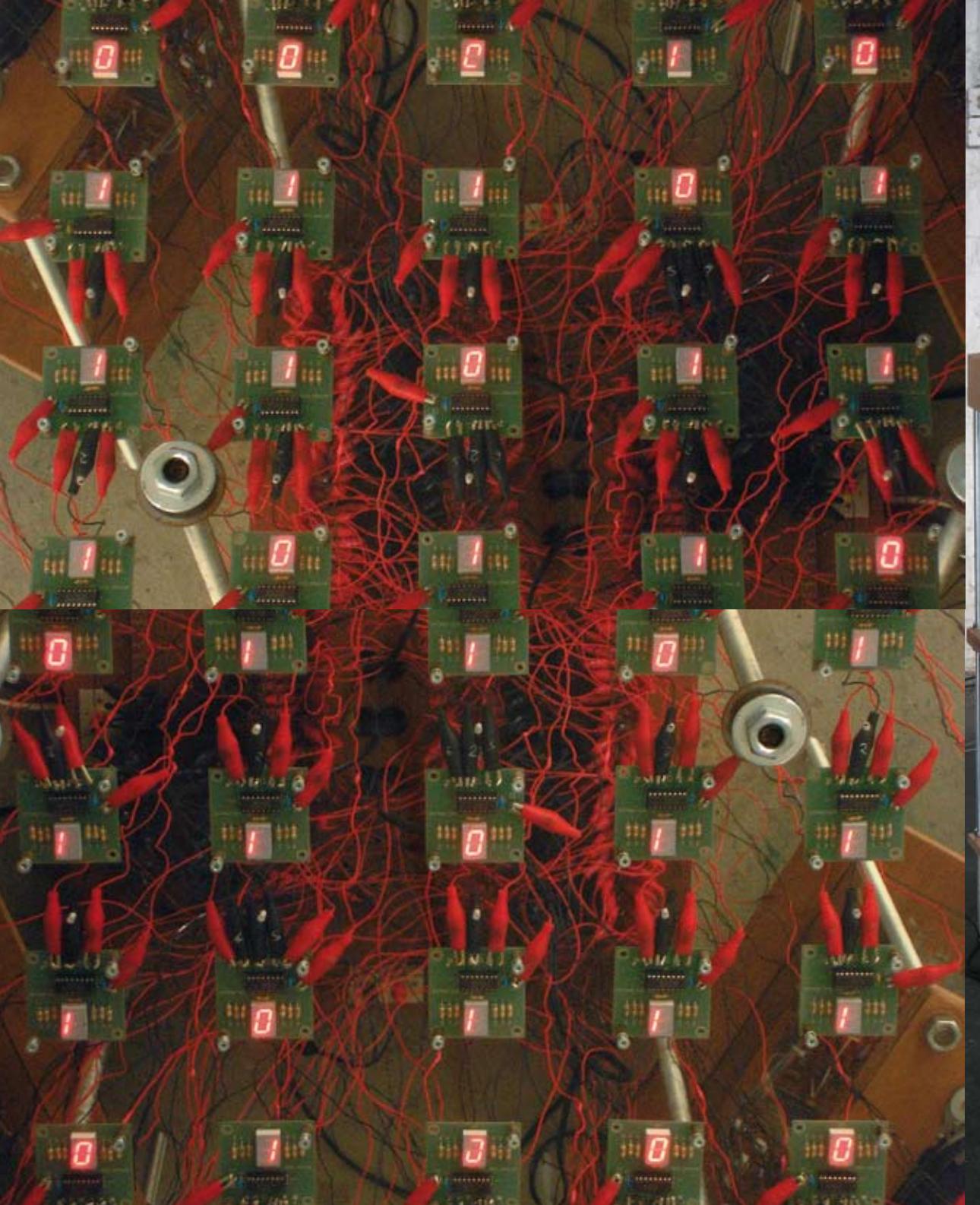
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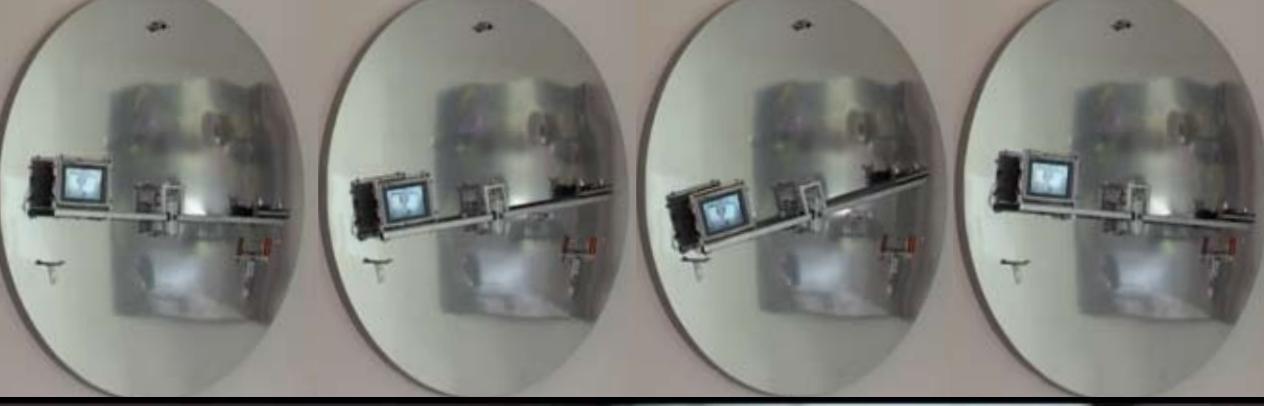
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– Publications on postwar and contemporary art, such as the reception of
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Publications (selection)

„Gramsci and the Theory of Industrial Democracy“. Aldershot: Avebury, 1991

„Radical Theories: Paths beyond Marxism and Social Democracy.“ Manchester:
Manchester University Press (MUP), 1994

„Sovereign States or Political Communities? Civil Society and Contemporary
Politics.“ Manchester: MUP, 2000

„Beyond Hegemony: Toward a New Philosophy of Political Legitimacy.“
Manchester: MUP, 2005

„The Critique of Instrumental Reason from Weber to Habermas.“ London,
Continuum, due to be published in 2010

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1984	Moves to Berlin
1988 - 1991	Studies Philosophy and History of Art at the Technical University Berlin
1992	Birth of son Antonio Maria
1993	Participation at Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy
2003	Birth of son Fabio
2009	Member of Deutscher Künstlerbund e. V.

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITONS

2009	Museum Fluxus+, Potsdam, Germany „Perversion of Signs“, CentrePasquArt, Biel/Bienne, Switzerland
2008	„Vicious Circle“, Sakamoto Contemporary, Berlin, Germany
2007	„Radical Theories“, Foundation Mudima, Milan, Italy
2006	„PROFIT“, dispari & dispari project contemporary arts, Reggio Emilia, Italy
2005	„wahr / falsch“, Kunst:Raum Sylt Quelle, Sylt, Germany
2004	„TV-Objekte“, (with T. Gregoriou), Gallery Inge Baecker Cologne, Germany
2003	„EMPIRE – Costantino Ciervo“, Galeria Vostell, Madrid, Spain
2002	„Costantino Ciervo“, Atelier Venticinque in Zusammenarbeit mit Pari & Dispari Agency, Reggio Emilia, Italy
2001	„Project: Education/Breeding“, Gallery Janos Gat, New York, USA
2000	„Zeit 1 - Zeit 2“, Fine Art Rafael Vostell, Berlin, Germany
1999	„Plexus Solaris – Sonnengeflecht“, Art Association Hürth, Germany
1998	„Impressoes Urbanas“ Goethe-Institut Porto and Lisbon, Portugal
1997	„Cogito ergo sunt“, Fine Art Rafael Vostell, Berlin, Germany (with CD-Rom)
1995	„GmbH Complessità“, Gallery Fine Art Rafael Vostell, Berlin, Germany
1991	„Installationen“, Studio exhibition Fürbringer 9, Berlin, Germany

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITONS

2009	„Nation and Nature“, Museum on the Seam, Socio-Political Contemporary Art Museum, Jerusalem, Israel „Impressionen gegenwärtiger Kunst in Berlin“, Museum für zeitgenössische Kunst Skopje, Skopje, Macedonia „Notation. Form und Kalkül in den Künsten“, Center for Art and Media, ZKM, Karlsruhe , Germany
2008	„Italian Experimental Cinema v.1 ,08“, Mostra del cinema d'artista italiano, Dalle origini del futurismo al nuovo millennio, curator: Piero Pala, Nuovo Cinema Aquila, Rome, Italy Grand opening museum FLUXUS +, Schiffbauergasse, Potsdam, Germany
2007	„Sicherheit“, Art Association ConcentArt e. V., Berlin, Germany „La vida privada. Colección Josep M. Civit“, CDAN Centro de Arte e Naturaleza, Fundación Beulas, Huesca, Spain „Some from Bern, some from elsewhere – Sammlung Carola und Günther Ketterer-Ertle“, Museum Liner Appenzell, Appenzell, Switzerland
2006	„Transitabilità. Contaminazioni virtuose tra arte ed economia.“, Symposium and Exhibition, Foundation Benetton, iniziative culturali, Palazzo Bomben and Studi Zorzi Cortellazzo – Wiel & Associati, Treviso, Italy “LEND ME YOUR EAR“, Art Association Bad Salzdetfurth, Germany “I Biénal de Arte Contemporáneo – Fundación ONCE“, Círculo de Bellas Artes, Madrid, Spain
2006-2009	“The Missing Peace“, (The Dalai Lama Portrait Project), Fowler Museum of Cultural History at the University of California Los Angeles, Loyola University Museum of Art, Chicago (2006/07), Rubin Museum of Art, New York NY (2007) USA, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco (California, USA) (2008), Fundacion Canal Madrid, Spain, et al.
2005	„Neue Deutsche Medienkunst“, Foro Artístico, Hannover, Germany
2004	„Deutsche Video-Kunst 2002-2004. 11. Marler Videokunstpreis“, Skulpturen-museum Glaskasten Marl, Germany, et al. „Declaration – 100 Artists for Peace“, National Museum of Contemporary Art, Seoul, Korea
2003	„INDEPENDENT FILM SHOW – 4th Edition“, e-m arts/fondazione morra, Naples, Italy

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS (CONTINUED)

- 2003 „2nd Detroit Video Festival 2003“, Museum of New Art (MONA), Detroit, USA
„Linke Hand – Rechte Hand“, curator Feng Boyi, Beijing 798 Space Art & Culture, Beijing, China
- 2002 „Sztuka Wejścia“, galeria r, Sala Marmurowa, Centrum Kultury Zamek, Poznań, Poland
„DNArt – Gen.Ethik und Visionen“, 1. Biennale Kunst Meran, Kunsthaus Meran, Italy
- 2001 „CollageWelten 1 – Das Experiment“, Kunst-Museum Ahlen
- 2000 „endlich - unendlich: in Mathematik und Kunst“, Kulturhaus Potsdam, Germany
- 1999 „Vom Skarabäus zum new beetle“, Art Association Bad Salzdetfurth, Germany
„MIR - Kunst im Raum“, Bozen, Italy
- 1998 „Innovation III. Kunst, Mathematik u. Architektur“, Ludwig-Erhard-Haus, Berlin, Germany
- 1997 „Zeitskulptur“, Oberösterreichische Landesgalerie Linz, Austria
„Labor“, Forum Bildender Künstler, Essen, Germany
- 1996 „Cluster Images“, 2. Werkleitz Biennale, Dessau, Germany
„Displacement“, Wyspa Galerie, Gdańsk, Poland
- 1995 „Standpunkte“, Fine Art Rafael Vostell, Berlin, Germany
- 1994 „Oniscus Murarius“, with Ottomar Kiefer, Kunst-Werke, Berlin, Germany
- 1993 „Deterritoriale“, XLV. Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy

WORKS IN PUBLIC COLLECTIONS (SELECTION)

- World Bank, Washington D.C., USA
Fluxus Foundation, Gilbert Silverman, USA
Art Association Hürth, Germany
Berlin Senate, Berlin, Germany
Foundation kunst:raum sylt quelle, Germany
Fundación ONCE, Madrid, Spain
Collection VIDEOKUNST_CH, Bern, Switzerland
museum FLUXUS+, Potsdam, Germany

PUBLICATIONS (SELECTION)

- Catalogues Solo Exhibitions
„Perversion of Signs“, exhibition CentrePasquArt, Biel, edition clandestin, Biel 2009
„Radical Theories“, Fondazione Mudima, Milano 2007
„wahr/falsch“, ed. Kunst:Raum Sylt Quelle, Sylt 2005
„Project: Education/Breeding“, (Projekt: Erziehung/Züchtung), ed. Gallery Janos Gat, New York 2001
„Plexus Solaris – Sonnengeflecht“, ed. Kunstverein Hürth, Hürth 1999
„Cogito ergo sunt“, ed. Fine Art Rafael Vostell, Berlin (with CD-Rom) 1997
„GmbH Complessità“, ed. Fine Art Rafael Vostell, Berlin 1995
„Installationen“, Studio exhibition, Fürbringer 9, Berlin 1991

Catalogues Group Exhibitions

- „Italian Experimental Cinema V.1 '08“, Mostra del cinema d'artista italiano dalle origini del futurismo al nuovo millennio, ed./curator: Piero Pala, Rome 2008
„La vida privada: Colección Josep Ma Civit: representaciones de la tragedia y la banalidad contemporáneas“, ed. Centro de Arte y Naturaleza de la Fundación Beulas, Huesca 2008
„LEND ME YOUR EAR“, ed. Hans-Werner Kalkmann and Kunstverein Bad Salzdetfurth 2006
„The Missing Peace“, (The Dalai Lama Portrait Project), Fowler Museum of Cultural History at the University of California Los Angeles et al., 2006
„Transitabilità. Contaminazioni virtuose tra arte ed economia.“, ed. Fondazione Benetton, iniziative culturali, Palazzo Bomben and Studi Zorzi Cortellazzo – Wiel & Associati, Treviso 2006
„I Bienal de Arte Contemporáneo – Fundación ONCE“, ed. Círculo de Bellas Artes, Madrid 2006
„La main dans la main“, ed. Hans-Werner Kalkmann and Kunstverein Bad Salzdetfurth 2005
„Deutsche Video-Kunst 2002-2004. 11. Marler Videokunstpreis“, ed. Uwe Rüth, Catalogue Skulpturenmuseum Glaskasten Marl et al., 2004

PUBLICATIONS (CONTINUED)

- „SUBURBIA“, ed. Comune di Reggio Emilia Assessorato Cultura e Sapere Musei Civici, Reggio Emilia 2004
- „Declaration – 100 Artists for Peace“, ed. Kim Yoonsoon et al., catalogue National Museum of Contemporary Art, Seoul 2004
- „INDEPENDENT FILM SHOW – 4th Edition“, ed. e-m arts/fondazione morra, Napoli 2003
- „Premio internazionale d'arte Ermano Casoli“, Comune di Serra San Quirico, Ancona 2003
- „Wie ein Fisch im Wasser“, ed. Hans-Werner Kalkmann and Kunstverein Bad Salzdetfurth 2003
- „15 Jahre kunstvereinhürth e. V.“, ed. Bernd Reiter and Kunstverein Hürth 2003/2004
- „Sztuka Wejscia“, ed. galaria r, Sala Marmurowa, Centrum Kultury Zamek, Poznan 2002
- „DNArt – Gen.Ethik und Visionen“, I. Biennale Kunst Meran, ed. Valerio Dehò et al., catalogue Kunsthaus Meran, publisher De Agostini Rizzoli Arte e Cultura 2002
- „Observatori 2002“, III. Festival Internacional de Investigacion Artistica de Valencia, ed. Juan Antonio Hidalgo and Museo Valencia de la Ilustracion y la Modernidad (MuViMi), Valencia 2002
- „Er fliegt und fliegt“, ed. Hans-Werner Kalkmann and Kunstverein Bad Salzdetfurth 2001
- „CollageWelten 1 – Das Experiment“, Kunst-Museum Ahlen 2001
- „endlich - unendlich: in Mathematik und Kunst“, ed. Kulturhaus Potsdam 2000
- „Vom Skarabäus zum new beetle“, ed. Hans-Werner Kalkmann and Kunstverein Bad Salzdetfurth 1999
- „MIR - Kunst im Raum“, Bozen 1999
- „Innovation III. Kunst, Mathematik u. Architektur“, Ludwig-Erhard-Haus, Berlin 1998
- „Zeitskulptur“, ed. Oberösterreichische Landesgalerie Linz 1997
- „Universarte“, Bologna 1997
- „Labor“, ed. Forum Bildender Künstler, Essen 1997
- „Werkschau 5“, ed. Künstlerförderung Berlin Senate, Berlin 1997
- „Cluster Images“, 2. Werkleitz Biennale, Dessau 1996
- „Lichtblicke“, ed. Landesverband Berliner Galerien Marstall, Berlin 1996

- „Partie 4“, Internationales Kunstforum, Drewen 1996
- „Standpunkte“, ed. Fine Art Rafael Vostell, Berlin 1995
- „Deterritoriale“, XLV. Biennale di Venezia, Venezia 1993
- „La presenza della virtualità arte come Pre-“, Liguria 1993
- „Werkschau 1“, Künstlerförderung Berlin Senate, Berlin 1993

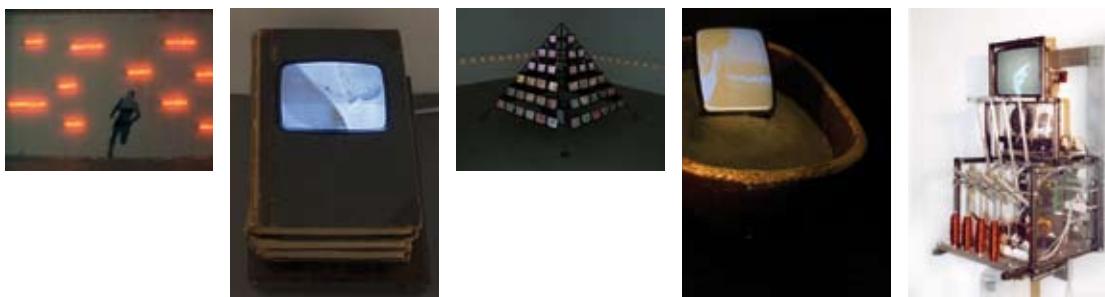
Other publications

- „Mathematics and Culture II, Visual Perfection: Mathematics and Creativity“, ed. Michele Emmer, Springer Verlag, Berlin 2005
- „Bundesverband Dt. Galerien e. V., 25 m² – 25 Jahre Förderprogramm des BDG“, ed. Verlag für Moderne Kunst, Nürnberg 2005
- Slavko Kacunko, „Closed Circuit Videoinstallations“. Ein Leitfaden zur Geschichte und Theorie der Medienkunst mit Bausteinen eines Künstlerlexikons auf DVD, ed. Logos Verlag, Berlin 2004

Lectures and teaching (selection)

- 2008**
 - „Macht und Ohnmacht des Künstlers und seiner Medien“, 7. Ringvorlesung University Potsdam (Institut für Informatik) and Hasso Plattner Institut
 - Lecture at Symposium „Babel's Shade/Im Schatten Babylons“, Project: Prof. Elmar Zorn, Bauhaus University Weimar
- 2007**
 - Panel discussion with Darrow Schecter, University of Sussex, Brighton about the subject „Biomacht / Biopolitik“, Gallery Krammig & Pepper Contemporary, Berlin
- 2003**
 - Lecture for the seminar „semantic media“ organised by Dr. Ing. Klaus Rebensburg, University Potsdam (Institut für Informatik)

WORKS EXHIBITED



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The Ten Commandments, 2008, light installation, mixed media, 10 neon letters, (red), edition: 5 total size variable (approx. 360 x 700 cm)

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Lexicon, 2007, video object, mixed media, size with base: 11 x 21,5 x 29,5 cm collection: Carola and Günther Kettner-Ertle

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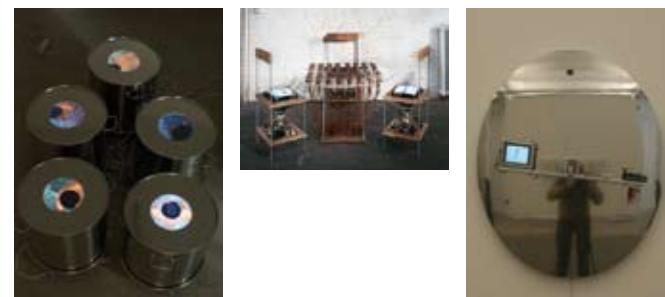
Perversion of Signs, 2009 84 channel video installation, mixed media, size: approx. 500 x 500 x 450 cm

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Exodus, 2007, video object, mixed media, size with base: 29 x 28 x 65 cm

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Stumm, 2001 (mute) interactive video object, mixed media, microprocessor, sensor, answer-phone, copper spools, size: 62 x 27,5 x 37 cm collection: Fine Arts Unternehmen AG, Zurich



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Contiguous, 2008, 5 channel video installation, mixed media, edition: 3 size: 61,5 x 62 x 53 cm (each bucket)

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Mass-Namen, 1995 (dimension-names) 3 channel video installation, mixed media, size: approx. 100 x 180 x 180 cm collection: Carola and Günther Kettner-Ertle

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Vicious Circle, 2008, kinetic video object, closed circuit, mixed media, edition: 3 size: 120 x 90 x 15 cm



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Pale-Judea, 2002, 2 channel video projection, DVD, approx. 10 min., colour, text: german w. english subtitles, performer: Horst Günter Marx, text: Costantino Ciervo

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Urania Rephaeus, 2001 interactive closed circuit object, mixed media size: 51,5 x 76,5 x 37,5 cm

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Replaceably, 2005 kinetic photo installation, mixed media size: 180 x 280 x 22,5 cm

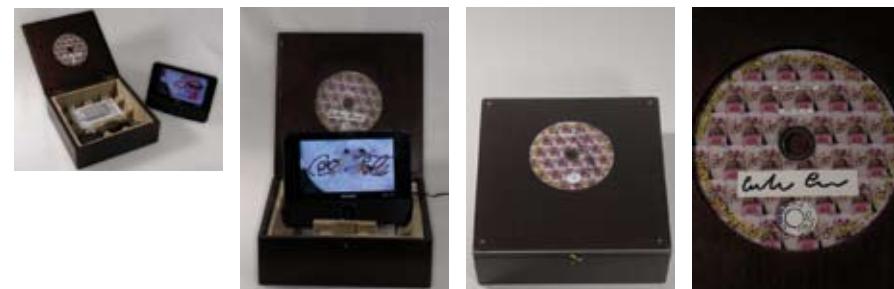
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Zeit 1 - Zeit 2, 2000 (time 1- time 2) installation, mixed media with water size: 136 x 320 x 40 cm

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Controlling Year Planner, 2007 4 channel video installation, mixed media edition: 5, size each object: 41 x 31 x 12 cm

VIDEO EDITION



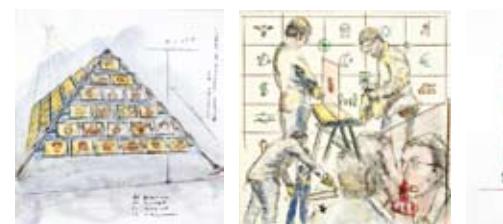
Video object

Perversion of Signs, 2009 mini-portable DVD player, video object in wooden box, each with an original DVD from the installation, No. 8-84, each size: 26 x 26 x 9,5 cm

DRAWINGS



Portfolio 1, 2008
4 drawings on paper
30 x 30 cm



Portfolio 2, 2008
4 drawings on paper
30 x 30 cm



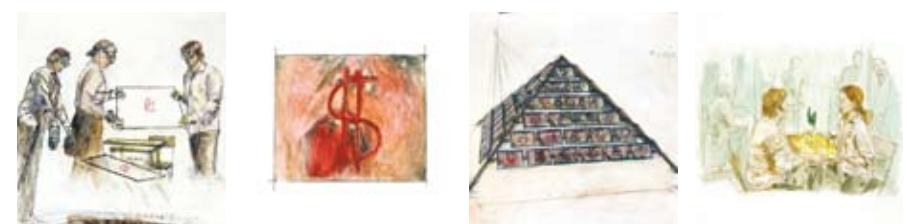
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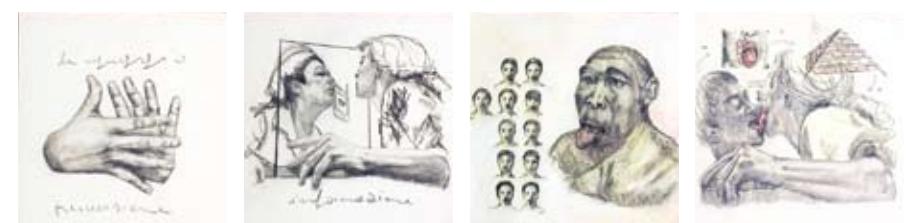
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Portfolio 7, 2009
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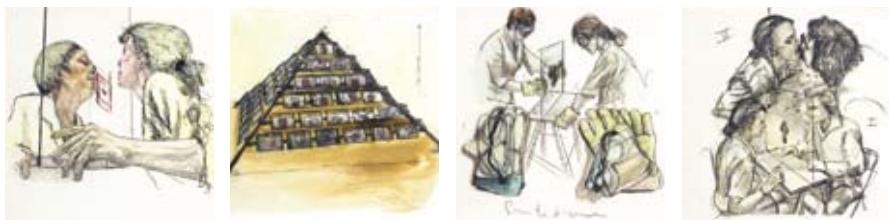


Portfolio 8, 2009
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Portfolio 9, 2009
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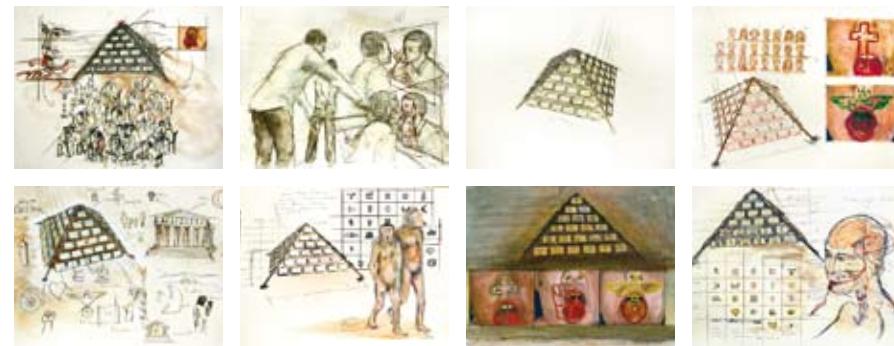
Portfolio 10, 2009
4 drawings on paper
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4 drawings on paper
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Portfolio 12, 2009
4 drawings on paper
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8 originals, 2008
drawings on paper
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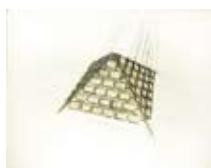
Series S 10, 2008
7 drawings on paper
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Series S 20, 2009
7 drawings on paper
50 x 65 cm



DRAWINGS



Series S 40, 2009
7 drawings on paper
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Series S 50, 2009
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Series S 60, 2009
7 drawings on paper
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