

OUR JOURNEY #EUROPETOGETHER

A new direction for a progressive Europe.
Standing up for our future!



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FOREWORD



Dear friends,

We started on a journey back in 2016, on the back of a challenging blow for Europe. How did we get to a point where the majority of citizens in one country voted not just against the EU, but to leave the EU? The status quo is clearly no longer an option.

With our Europe Together initiative we have had time to reflect, but more importantly, we have had time to listen. We need to listen to people, talk to them about how we can make a difference, and take them with us on the journey towards change. In our Go Local events, where smaller groups of people are able to have even more open and informal discussions, we have been able to hear from even more different points of view from people from all walks of life.

In this brochure, you can look through a selection of the Together events that we've had and the issues that we've talked about. You can follow our Together journey using our map and see where we have gone local so far. Whether it is on strengthening the Social Model, tax justice, preserving our planet or defending democracy, we have had a great response from people all over Europe who wanted to have their say.

The Europe Together journey does not stop here. We can only achieve the change we need, if we continue to unite the progressive family with a movement led by everyday people. Now more than ever, the progressive voices need to be heard, not just in capital cities from politicians, but from everyone, in all villages and towns, wherever they are in Europe. We are going to build on the movement we have started. We are going to keep listening, keep talking with people, keep taking on new ideas and keep fighting for the progressive change Europe needs.

Together we can.

In comradeship,

Udo

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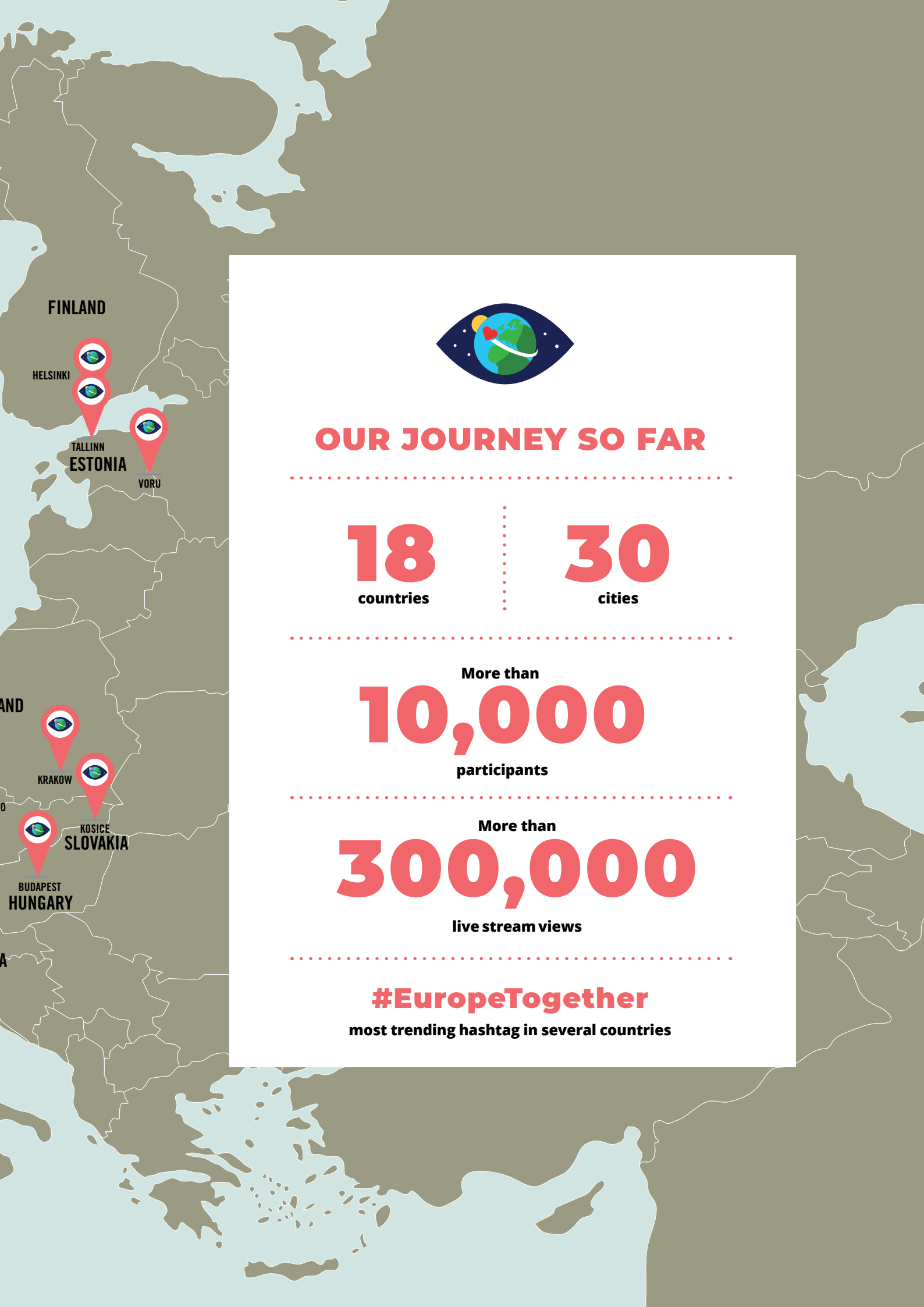
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OUR JOURNEY SO FAR

18

countries

30

cities

More than

10,000

participants

More than

300,000

live stream views

#EuropeTogether

most trending hashtag in several countries



A SNAPSHOT OF OUR GO LOCAL JOURNEY







BRUSSELS

BELGIUM - 19/10/2016





TOGETHER - KICK-OFF

We launched the Europe Together initiative in Brussels in October 2016. This was the kick-off Europe Together event organised in the wake of the Brexit referendum. We realised that the status quo was no longer an option. This is why the event focused on a new direction for a progressive Europe, in a bid to work together to make the EU work better and deliver more for people.

Speakers included

- **Kuba JABLONOWSKI**, PhD researcher, Member of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies' (FEPS) Millennials
- **Mikaela KANTOR**, President of the European Youth Parliament Cyprus and Member of Relaunching Europe
- **Clémence MAULAT**, President of the Young Socialists in Bas-Rhin, former Erasmus student
- **Carlota NÚÑEZ STRUTT**, President of the European Student Think Tank, Member of School of Democracy
- **Ayham SEIF**, Student from Syria, formerly at Syrian Arab Red Crescent
- **Jan ZIELONKA**, Professor of European Politics and Ralf Dahrendorf Fellow, St Antony's College, University of Oxford
- **Bruno LE ROUX**, President of the Socialist Group at the National Assembly of France
- **Federica MOGHERINI**, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the European Commission
- **Martin SCHULZ**, President of the European Parliament
- **Sergei STANISHEV**, President of the Party of European Socialists (PES)
- **Frans TIMMERMANS**, First Vice-President of the European Commission
- **Massimo D'ALEMA**, President of the Foundation of European Progressive Studies (FEPS)
- **Luiz DULCI**, Professor at the University of São Paulo
- **Catiuscia MARINI**, President of the Party of European Socialists, Committee of the Regions
- **Conny REUTER**, Secretary General of Solidar
- **Laura SLIMANI**, President of the Young European Socialists
- **Luca VISENTINI**, General Secretary of the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)



PRAGUE

CZECH REPUBLIC - 02/06/2016





DIGITAL AGE

Together for young people, social solidarity and equality in the digital age

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For our second Together event we met in Prague in December 2016 to discuss the Digital Agenda. We committed to building a European Digital Union for growth and for a better future. With a potential for new quality jobs and new ways of working together in solidarity, we also committed to fighting for digital equality. Consumer rights on the digital market were also considered an important part of going forward fairly in the digital era. The Fourth Industrial Revolution needs to make sure that all workers are treated fairly and equally.

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Speakers included

- Seyi AKIWOWO, Labour Councillor Newham London
- Pervenche BERÈS, MEP
- Christof DEGRYSE, Senior Researcher, ETUI
- Muna DUZDAR, State Secretary in the Austrian Federal Chancellery
- Myriam EL KHOMRI, French Minister of Employment
- Sabine GILLESSEN, D64 - Zentrum für digitalen Fortschritt
- Istvan HAIDEKKER, Blablacar
- Jan HAMÁČEK, Chair of Czech Parliament
- Marju LAURISTIN, MEP, Vice President S&D Group
- Victor NEGRESCU, MEP
- Allan PÄLL, Secretary General, European Youth Forum
- Tomas PROUZA, State Secretary for the Czech Republic on the European digital Agenda
- Pille PRUULMANN-VENGERFELDT, Senior Lecturer, Malmö University
- Maria João RODRIGUES, Vice President S&D Group
- Nicolas SCHMIT, Luxembourg Minister of Social Affairs and Digital
- Mark WALKER, Marketing Manager, AbilityNet
- Josef WEIDENHOLZER MEP, Vice President S&D Group



ROME

ITALY - 24/03/2017





FUTURE OF EUROPE

Shaping the Future of Europe

To mark the 60th Anniversary of the Treaties of Rome, we organised a debate on the Future of the European Union in March 2017. Where better than Rome for this? During the event we talked about four essential pillars in Europe: sustainable and shared prosperity, strong democracy, security and protection of fundamental rights and international cooperation. These pillars need to be the basis on which we go forward in Europe.

Speakers included

- **Udo BULLMANN**, S&D S&D Vice-President, (President)
- **Tanja FAJON**, MEP, S&D Vice-President
- **Ernst HILLEBRAND**, Director, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Rome
- **Katja LEHTO-KOMULAINEN**, Deputy Secretary General, ETUC
- **Catuscia MARINI**, Socialist Group President in the European Committee of the Regions
- **Federica MOGHERINI**, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission
- **Pierre MOSCOVICI**, European Commissioner for Economic and Financial Affairs, Taxation and Customs
- **Giorgio NAPOLITANO**, President Emeritus of Italy
- **Michele NICOLETTI**, Socialist Group President in the Council of Europe
- **Thomas OPPERMANN**, Chairman of the SPD Parliamentary Group, German Bundestag
- **Gianni PITTELLA**, MEP, President of the S&D Group
- **Maria João RODRIGUES**, MEP, S&D Vice-President
- **Oliver ROETHING**, Regional Secretary of UNI Europa
- **Francisca SAUQUILLO**, President of Solidar
- **Sergei STANISHEV**, President of the PES
- **Patrizia TOIA**, MEP, Head of the Italian S&D Delegation





TALLINN

ESTONIA - 12/05/2017





OUR CHOICE: A SOCIAL EUROPE

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We met in Tallinn in May 2017 for a Together debate on a Social Europe. If Europe doesn't put people at forefront of everything it does, then what good is it? One important step to re-focus the EU on people's wellbeing is to look at the European Social Pillar which focuses on guaranteeing citizens' rights in a changing labour market. In Tallinn, we understood how much we can learn from our neighbours and from each other across Europe.

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Speakers included

- **Joao Duarte ALBUQUERQUE**, President of Young European Socialists
- **Raul EAMETS**, Dean in the faculty of Social Sciences, University of Tartu
- **Zita GURMAI**, President PES Women
- **Agnes JONGERIUS**, MEP, EP Vice-Chair of Committee on Employment and Social Affairs
- **Jeppe KOFOD**, S&D Vice-President
- **Paavali KUKKONEN**, SITRA -The Finnish Innovation Fund
- **Miapetra KUMPULA-NATRI**, MEP
- **Marju LAURISTIN**, MEP
- **Mogens LYKKETOFT**, MP, former President of the United Nations General Assembly and former Danish Finance Minister
- **Andrejs MAMIKINS**, MEP
- **Jens NILSSON**, MEP
- **Jevgeni OSSINOVSKI**, SDE Chairman and Minister of Health and Labour
- **Urve PALO**, Minister for Entrepreneurship and Information Technology
- **Gianni PITTELLA**, S&D Group President
- **Conny REUTER**, Secretary General of SOLIDAR
- **Maria Joao RODRIGUES**, S&D Vice-President
- **Antton RÖNNHOLM**, Secretary General of SDP Finland



BRUSSELS

BELGIUM - 28-29/06/2017





TOGETHER - CALL TO EUROPE! DEMOCRACY FIRST!

We joined the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) in May 2017 in Brussels for its annual flagship conference Call to Europe. This brought together a unique multi-stakeholder community of progressive politicians, civil society, academics and media to develop concrete positive and innovative responses to current European challenges. We debated the future of Europe in an interactive and inclusive event.

Speakers included

- **Massimo D'ALEMA**, President of FEPS and former Prime Minister of Italy
- **Béatrice DELVAUX**, Editor in Chief, Le Soir, Belgium
- **Susan GEORGE**, Author of 17 books, President of the Transnational Institute Amsterdam and honorary President of Attac France, France
- **Karl-Heinz LAMBERTZ**, First Vice-President, Committee of the Regions, Belgium
- **Gianni PITTELLA**, President of S&D Group, European Parliament, Italy
- **Nicolas SCHMIT**, Minister of Labour, Employment and Immigration, Luxembourg
- **Sławomir SIERAKOWSKI**, Head of Krytyka Polityczna and political philosopher, Poland
- **Philippe VAN PARIJS**, Philosopher and Economist, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium
- **Zita GURMAI**, Vice-President of FEPS and President of PES Women, Hungary
- **Pierre MOSCOVICI**, EU Commissioner of Economic and Financial Affairs, Taxation & Customs, France
- **Sergei STANISHEV**, President of the Party of European Socialists, Bulgaria
- **Joseph STIGLITZ**, Nobel Memorial Prize Laureate in Economic Sciences, Economist and Professor at Columbia University, USA



VALENCIA

SPAIN - 15/09/2017





THE FUTURE OF THE EU COHESION POLICY

The need for cohesion funds for a better EU

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Cohesion funds have a huge potential to make a positive difference in the EU. To discuss how, we met in Valencia in September 2017. The gap between the poorest and the richest regions in the EU has widened since the start of the financial crisis. Mayors and local authorities experienced first-hand the impact the crises had on people. During this event we heard from local representatives about how EU funds were being used in their communities to change people's lives for the better. We understand we can do more. But this would need a credible and ambitious investment agenda which creates sustainable growth, quality jobs and supports ecological transition. Cohesion funds is one of the EU's main investment tools for solidarity within the Union and we need to keep pointing the funds in the right direction.

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Speakers included

- **Pascal BOLO**, First Deputy Mayor of Nantes and Vice-President of Nantes Metropolis in charge of finances, France
- **Vasco Alves CORDEIRO**, President of the Regional Government of the Azores and President of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR), Portugal
- **Claire DHÉRET**, Senior Adviser, Programme Leader of FutureLab Europe, Social Europe and Well-being Programme, European Policy Centre (EPC), Belgium
- **Sandra GÓMEZ**, Deputy Mayor of Valencia, Spain
- **Manuel ILLUECA**, Economist, Director of the Valencian Institute for Finances, Spain
- **Ivailo KALFIN**, Special adviser on the relations with the European and National Parliaments, as well as on the budget revenue 2014-2016 to the European Commissioner Günther H. Oettinger, Bulgaria
- **Karl-Heinz LAMBERTZ**, President of the European Committee of the Regions, Belgium
- **Catiuscia MARINI**, President of the PES Group in the European Committee of the Regions and President of the Umbria Region, Italy
- **Ximo PUIG i Ferrer**, President of the Valencian Region and Secretary General of the PSPV, Spain
- **Eider Gardiazabal RUBIAL**, MEP (S&D), member of the Committee on Budgets, Spain
- **Pedro SÁNCHEZ**, PSOE Secretary-General, current Prime-Minister of Spain



BRUSSELS

BELGIUM - 18/10/2017





BUILDING THE PROGRESSIVE FUTURE TOGETHER

This event in Brussels in October 2017 touched on so many important issues: fundamental rights and the rule of law, the financial system, migration and more. We talked, we listened and gathered ideas to shape our progressive priorities and initiatives to make the EU a better home for us all. It was clear from this event that we have a lot that unites us, regardless of where we live in Europe. Inequalities and unfairness don't stop at any border in Europe, so why should our solutions?

Speakers included

- **Sir Paul COLLIER**, Professor of Economics and Public Policy, Oxford University
- **Jeremy CORBYN**, Leader of the UK Labour Party
- **Joao DUARTE ALBUQUERQUE**, President, YES
- **Dr. Naika FOROUTAN**, Professor of Social Sciences, Humboldt-University Berlin
- **Zita GURMAI**, President, PES Women
- **Esther LYNCH**, Confederal Secretary, ETUC
- **Paul MAGNETTE**, Mayor of Charleroi, Belgium
- **Paul MASON**, Award-winning British Journalist, Broadcaster and Author
- **Aurelien MAZUY**, President of Rainbow Rose
- **Iverna McGOWAN**, Head of European Institutions Office and Advocacy Director, Amnesty International
- **Federica MOGHERINI**, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy of the European Commission
- **Victor NEGRESCU**, Minister Delegate for European Affairs, Romania
- **Michele NICOLETTI**, President of the Socialist Group, Council of Europe
- **Nikolas PAPADOPOULOS**, DIKO President and Cyprus Presidential candidate
- **Tuulia PITKÄNEN**, Secretary General of Young European Socialists
- **Gianni PITTELLA**, S&D Group President
- **Conny REUTER**, Secretary general, Solidar
- **Pedro SÁNCHEZ**, PSOE Secretary-General, current Prime Minister of Spain
- **Nicolas SCHMIT**, Minister of Labour, Luxemburg
- **Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ**, Vice-President of the European Commission
- **Sergei STANISHEV**, PES President
- **Frans TIMMERMANS**, First Vice-President of the European Commission



GÖTEBORG

SWEDEN - 16/11/2017





TOGETHER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE & SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

The necessity of strengthening social rights, social justice, to achieve growth

In Göteborg in November 2017 we brought together dedicated supporters of social rights. Social rights are not just a theoretical concept spun by politicians. They hold us together. They're the support people get when faced with unemployment. They're the security net we all fall back on when things get tough. They're what allows us to develop and grow without fear of losing the roof over our heads. It is time to go even further and deliver on the European Social Pillar that EU leaders promised.

Speakers included

- **Monika ARVIDSSON**, Analyst, The Swedish Trade Union Confederation (LO)
- **Brando BENIFEI**, MEP, Member of the Committee on Employment
- **Udo BULLMANN**, S&D S&D Vice-President, (President)
- **Ann-Sofie HERMANSSON**, Mayor of Gothenburg
- **Agnes JONGERIUS**, MEP, Coordinator for Employment and Social Affairs
- **Jeppe KOFOD**, S&D Vice-President
- **Ann LINDE**, Minister for EU Affairs and Trade
- **Esther LYNCH**, Confederal Secretary at the European Trade Union Confederation
- **Georgi PIRINSKI**, MEP, Member of the Committee on Budgetary Control
- **Gianni PITTELLA**, S&D Group President
- **Evelyn REGNER**, MEP, Member of the Committee on Legal Affairs
- **Conny REUTER**, Secretary General of Solidar
- **Maria João RODRIGUES**, S&D Group Vice-President, EP Rapporteur for the EPSR and President of FEPS
- **Nicolas SCHMIT**, Minister of Labour, Employment and Immigration of Luxembourg and Chairman of the EPSCO network of the Party of European Socialists
- **Annika STRANDHÄLL**, Minister for Health and Social Affairs
- **Marita ULVSKOG**, Head of the Swedish SAP delegation, Acting Chair of Employment Committee of the European Parliament



ANTWERP

BELGIUM - 23/11/2017





SUSTAINABLE CITIES

Can Sustainable Cities Change Europe?

Antwerp was a great milestone for our Together journey in 2017 with a focus on cities as drivers of change. Climate change, migration, social inequality: global challenges are also local challenges. This is why cities can make a difference. Together with their communities, through innovation, sustainability, and social inclusion projects, they can reshape the future of Europe. Delivering on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals can only be achieved by working with cities and local and regional authorities.

Speakers included

- **Ahmed ABOUTALEB**, Mayor of Rotterdam
- **Eric CORIJN**, Professor of Social and Cultural Geography, Free University of Brussels, Director of COSMOPOLIS City, Culture & Society research group on "Can Cities save Europe: Urbanity as a post-national challenge"
- **Agnes JONGERIUS**, MEP, Vice-Chair of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs and S&D Group Coordinator for Employment and Social Affairs
- **Michaela KAUER**, Director, Vienna House, Brussels Liaison Office of the City of Vienna
- **Eva PÉREZ GARCÍA**, Director of Transport Economics, Fundación Valenciaport
- **Jan ROTMANS**, Professor of Transitions and Transition Management, Erasmus University, Rotterdam
- **Daniël TERMONT**, Mayor of Ghent, President of Eurocities group
- **Kathleen VAN BREMPT**, S&D Group Vice-President



BRUSSELS

BELGIUM - 23/01/2018





SILVER ROSE AWARDS

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In early 2018, SOLIDAR, with the support of the S&D Group in the European Parliament, and the Party of European Socialists (PES) organised the 15th edition of the Silver Rose Awards. These awards highlight the achievements and successful initiatives of individuals or organisations in the fight for social justice.

The jury, composed of MEPs, trade union representatives and civil society organisations, chose from many different nominations in six different categories including Together for Social Europe, Building Learning Societies, Organising International Solidarity, Lifetime Achievement Award and the Jury's Special Award. Women's rights, employees' protection and the protection of whistle-blowers featured in the nomination process, among other important issues.

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Speakers included

- **Wellington CHIBEBE**, Deputy General Secretary International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
- **Ralph COECKELBERGHS**, Former Secretary General of Solidarité Socialiste FCD
- **Zita GURMAI**, President of PES Women and former Member of the European Parliament
- **Jeppe KOFOD**, Member of the European Parliament and Vice-Chair of the S&D Group in the European Parliament (Socialdemokratiet, Denmark)
- **Laeticia MARKAKIS**, Journalist
- **Gianni PITTELLA**, President of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament
- **Conny REUTER**, Secretary General of SOLIDAR
- **Francisca SAUQUILLO**, Chair of the Silver Rose Awards Jury, SOLIDAR President
- **Sergei STANISHEV**, President of the Party of European Socialists (PES), Member of the S&D Group in the European Parliament (BSP Bulgaria) and Co-Chair of the Global Progressive Forum (GPF)
- **Elena VALENCIANO**, Member of the European Parliament and Vice-Chair of the S&D Group in the European Parliament (PSOE, Spain)

Winners included

- **Together for Social Europe Award**
National Union of Workers Producers Co-operatives, Bulgaria
- **The Soledad Cazorla Prieto Fund**
Foundation giving protection and support to children who became orphan as a result of murders of gender violence, Spain
- **Organising International Solidarity Award** – Human Rights – Luz Elena Camacho, Trade Union Sintraimaigra, Colombia
- **Building Learning Societies Award**
L'Ecole Laique du chemin des dunes Calais, School in migrant camp in Calais, France
- **Special Jury Award** – Antoine Deltour, Whistle blower behind the Luxembourg Leaks
- **Lifetime Achievement Award**
Miguel Angel Martinez Martinez, Former Member and Vice-President of the European Parliament, Former Chair of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, Member of PSOE





BRUGES

BELGIUM - 22/02/2018





DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION IN THE 2019 EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS

Democracy in the era of fake news and populists

In February 2018, we met in Bruges to talk about the European elections. Europe sometimes feels quite far away from people. People's concerns and everyday problems are often looked and solved at European level. This makes participation in European elections, like any other election, very important. With 2019 having the potential to be transformative for Europe through the European Parliament elections, students, citizens, academics, and policy makers met at the College of Europe to talk about the democratic legitimacy of the EU decision-making process which affects all our lives on a daily basis.

Speakers included

- **Soundous BOUALAM**, Project "Humans of the EU"
- **Udo BULLMANN**, MEP, S&D Vice-President, current S&D President
- **Adriana CERRETELLI**, Journalist, Il Sole 24 Ore
- **Michele CHANG**, Professor, Department for Politics and Governance, College of Europe
- **John CROMBEZ**, Leader of sp.a
- **Maria FREITAS**, Policy Advisor, Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)
- **Renaat LANDUYT**, Mayor of Bruges
- **Jo LEINEN**, MEP, Co-author of the report on the European electoral law
- **Clémence MAULAT**, Student, College of Europe
- **Tuulia PITKÄNEN**, Secretary General of YES (Young European Socialists)
- **Yoomi RENSTRÖM**, Mayor of the Municipality of Ovanåker, Sweden
- **Margaritis SCHINAS**, Chief Spokesperson of the European Commission
- **Sergei STANISHEV**, MEP, President of the PES, Co-Chair of the Global Progressive Forum
- **Daniël TERMONT**, President of EUROCITIES & Mayor of Ghent
- **Kathleen VAN BREMPT**, Vice-President of the S&D Group
- **Maxim VANDEKERCKHOVE**, Student at Ghent University & TOGETHER Ambassador



HAMBURG

GERMANY - 12/04/2018



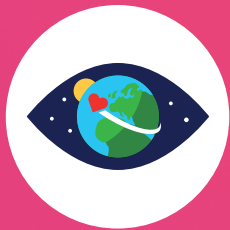


MANAGING MIGRATION & SUPPORTING REFUGEES IN A GLOBALISED WORLD

We came together in Hamburg in April 2018 to engage in a debate on how to manage migration and support refugees in today's globalised and interdependent world. The EU has the ability to be a global leader on managing migration, promoting human rights and taking on its fair share of responsibility. The root cause of migration was also at the heart of our discussions. By working together, we can show that we can manage migration and support refugees.

Speakers included

- **Niels ANNEN**, Minister of State at the German Federal Foreign Office
- **Moussa BOLY**, Vice-President of MPP in Burkina Faso
- **Felix BRAUNSDORF**, Global Policy & Development, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung
- **Udo BULLMANN**, MEP, S&D Group President
- **Barbara DUDEN**, Member of the European Committee of the Regions
- **Tanja FAJON**, MEP, S&D Group Vice-President
- **Knut FLECKENSTEIN**, MEP, S&D Group Spokesperson for Foreign Affairs
- **Benjamin JUERGENS**, Gastrolotsen
- **Cécile KASHETU KYENGE**, MEP S&D Group, ACP-EU JPA Vice-President and co-author of the Report on the situation in the Mediterranean and the need for a holistic EU approach to migration
- **Jeppe KOFOD**, MEP, Vice-President of the S&D Group
- **Mamadou KOULIBALY**, Leader of the party LIDER, Ivory Coast
- **Rosa MALANGO**, UN Resident Coordinator in Uganda, UNDP Resident Representative
- **Federica MOGHERINI**, Vice-President of the European Commission & High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security
- **Violeta MORENO-LAX**, School of Law, Queen Mary University of London
- **Javier MORENO SÁNCHEZ**, Secretary General of the S&D Group, European Parliament
- **Cesare ONESTINI**, Director, European Training Foundation
- **Josh OSIH**, President of the Central African Progressive Alliance, Vice-President of the Social Democratic Front in Cameroon
- **Sara PRESTIANNI**, Member of SOLIDAR, ARCI Immigrazione, Italy
- **Birgit SIPPEL**, MEP, S&D Spokesperson for Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
- **Philip TIMMERMANN**, Gastrolotsen
- **Frans TIMMERMANS**, First Vice-President of the European Commission
- **Carola VEIT**, President of the Hamburg Parliament
- **Josef WEIDENHOLZER**, MEP, S&D Group Vice-President
- **Dima YARED**, Human Rights Officer, Regional Office for Europe, UNHCR
- **Martin ZIGUÉLÉ**, former Prime Minister of the Central African Republic, President of MLPC



PARIS

FRANCE - 29/06/2018





THE EUROPE OF TOMORROW, IT'S LEFT

Let's protect our planet, our water and our air, for everyone's wellbeing!

We took the Together journey to Paris in June 2018 to talk about the contribution of cities to the ecological transition, the well-being of citizens and the green jobs of tomorrow. We know that climate change, if we don't act, can increase inequalities making the poor even poorer, and the rich even richer. Through fair rules for all, we can work together to avoid it. In Paris, we committed to supporting smart sustainable cities, promoting strong participatory democracy, and investing for fair transformation.

Speakers included

- **Eric ANDRIEU**, Member of the European Parliament, Vice-President of the S&D Group
- **Jinnih BEELS**, Mayor candidate for Antwerp
- **Udo BULLMANN**, S&D Member of the European Parliament, President of the S&D Group in the European Parliament
- **Guillaume DUVAL**, journalist
- **Olivier FAURE**, Leader of PS France
- **Sylvie GUILLAUME**, S&D Member, Vice-President of the European Parliament
- **Anne HIDALGO**, Mayor of Paris
- **Stéphane LE FOLL**, Mayor of La Mans
- **Paul MAGNETTE**, Mayor of Charleroi, former Minister-President of Wallonia-Belgium
- **Jovana MAJSTOROVIC**, Vice-President of the Young European Socialists
- **Emmanuel MAUREL**, S&D Member of the European Parliament
- **Pierre MOSCOVICI**, European Commissioner for Economic and Monetary affairs, Taxation and Customs
- **Conny REUTER**, Solidar
- **Christine REVAULT D'ALLONNES-BONNEFOY**, S&D Member of the European Parliament, President of the French Socialist Delegation in the European Parliament
- **Maria João RODRIGUES**, Vice-President of the S&D Group, FEPS President
- **Christophe ROUILLON**, Mayor of Coulaines, First Vice-President of the Socialist Group in the European Committee of the Regions
- **Pedro SÁNCHEZ**, Prime Minister of Spain
- **Sergei STANISHEV**, S&D Member of the European Parliament, PES President
- **Daniël TERMONT**, Mayor of Gent, President of Eurocities
- **William TODTS**, Executive Director, Transport & Environment Federation
- **Kathleen VAN BREMPT**, S&D Member of the European Parliament, Vice President of the S&D Group in the European Parliament
- **Thiébaut WEBER**, Confederal Secretary, European Trade Union Confederation





THE HAGUE

THE NETHERLANDS - 05/07/2018





FAIR TAX EVENT

Stop the corporate tax race to the bottom

We met in The Hague in July 2018 to promote four simple rules to stop the corporate tax race to the bottom: pay where you make profit, cheating has to be punished, equal rules for all, and everyone pays a fair share. Lots of people are under huge financial pressure paying taxes while large corporations make lots of profits without paying their fair share. In The Hague we committed to standing up and saying "let's change this" by tackling tax avoidance, fighting against tax fraud and stopping tax havens.

Speakers included

- **Dereje ALEMAJEHU**, Executive Coordinator of the Global Alliance for Tax Justice
- **Lodewijk ASSCHER**, Leader of the Dutch Labour Party – PvdA
- **Pervenche BERÈS**, MEP, S&D Group Spokesperson on Economic and Monetary Affairs
- **Esmé BERKHOUT**, OXFAM Novib
- **Udo BULLMANN**, MEP, President of the S&D Group
- **Jeremy CORBYN**, Leader of the Labour Party, UK
- **John CROMBEZ**, Leader of Belgian Socialist Party sp.a
- **Ana GOMES**, MEP S&D, Vice Chair of the Special Committee on Financial Crimes, Tax Evasion and Tax Avoidance in the European Parliament
- **Paul MASON**, Award-winning British journalist, Broadcaster and Author
- **Paul TANG**, MEP, Head of the S&D Dutch delegation
- **Alex WILKS**, Campaign Director, Avaaz



CARCASSONNE

FRANCE - 07/09/2018





OUR FIGHT FOR SOCIAL PROGRESS

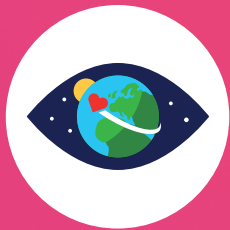
Let's Act Together!

With a lively debate in Carcassonne in September 2018, the Together journey continued by looking at how to achieve a fairer Europe where everybody is able to get on in life with security at work and decent pay for the work we do. We talked about being able to live our lives with the dignity we all deserve, to give everyone the best chance to succeed and contribute to society and to shape a Europe that is inclusive, open, honest and sustainable. In Carcassonne we re-committed to a society that works for the many and not just for the privileged few.

Speakers included

- **Eric ANDRIEU**, Vice-President of the S&D Group, European Parliament
- **Peter BOSSMAN**, Mayor of the Municipality of Piran, Slovenia, and Member of the European Committee of the Regions
- **Udo BULLMANN**, President of the S&D Group, European Parliament
- **Carole DELGA**, President of the Region of Occitanie, France
- **Karl-Heinz LAMBERTZ**, President of the European Committee of the Regions
- **Susana DÍAZ PACHECO**, President of the region of Andalucía, Spain, CoR rapporteur on European Social Fund+
- **Sandrino GRACEFFA**, Head of the European cooperative group SMart
- **Sylvie GUILLAUME**, S&D MEP, Vice-President of the European Parliament
- **Peter KURZ**, Mayor of Mannheim, Germany, and Member of the European Committee of the Regions
- **Catiuscia MARINI**, President of the PES Group in the European Committee of the Regions & President of the Umbria Region, Italy
- **Karine GLOANEC MAURIN**, S&D MEP, European Parliament
- **Ségolène NEUVILLE**, former Secretary of State on policy for the disabled and on Exclusion, Leader of the PS in Pyrénées Orientales, France
- **Georgi PIRINSKI**, S&D MEP, European Parliament
- **Christine REVAULT D'ALLONNES-BONNEFOY**, S&D MEP, Head of the French Socialist Delegation in the European Parliament
- **Anselm SPRANDEL**, Head of the Central Coordination Unit for Refugees, Hamburg, Germany
- **André VIOLA**, President of the Departmental Council of Aude, France, and Member of the European Committee of the Regions (CoR)
- **Olga ZRIHEN**, Member of the Walloon Parliament, Belgium
- **Olivier FAURE**, Leader of PS France





VIENNA

AUSTRIA - 11/10/2018





DEFENDING DEMOCRACY AND THE RULE OF LAW

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The Together journey continued to Vienna in October 2018 where we talked about the right of every single person in Europe to live in a functioning democracy. We will always fight to protect it by standing firmly behind a strong European democracy and we are ready to act when the rule of law is under threat. We are there to defend human rights and strengthen the protection of minorities throughout the Union. This means supporting NGOs to allow them to be able to work without restriction and protecting Civil Society Organisations.

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Speakers included

- **Udo BULLMANN**, MEP, President of the S&D Group
- **Zita GURMAI**, President PES Women
- **Ágnes HELLER**, Philosopher, Hungary
- **Evelyn REGNER**, S&D MEP and Head of the SPÖ Delegation, European Parliament
- **Pamela RENDI-WAGNER**, Acting Party Leader of the Austrian Social Democrats SPÖ
- **Andreas SCHIEDER**, Vice Chairman and Spokesman on Foreign Affairs of the SPÖ
- **Susanne SCHOLL**, Austrian journalist and author, former foreign correspondent of ORF
- **Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ**, Vice-President of the European Commission
- **Josef WEIDENHOLZER**, Vice-President of the S&D Group, European Parliament



COPENHAGEN

DENMARK - 22/11/2018





FIGHTING FOR DEMOCRACY!

25 years have passed since the Copenhagen Criteria were agreed. These rules determine the eligibility for EU membership on the basis of the preservation of democratic values, among other things. In November 2018, 25 years later, we returned to where it all started in Copenhagen. We discussed ways to guarantee democracy in Europe, by looking at areas such as EU funding, and why it is so important for people to stand up for democracy. It is clear that a quarter of a century after the criteria were established we need them more than ever.

Speakers included

- **Tamás BOROS**, Member of FEPS Scientific Council & Co-Director of the Hungarian Foundation for Policy Solutions
- **Mette FREDERIKSEN**, Party Leader of Socialdemokratiet in Denmark
- **Enrique GUERRERO SALOM**, MEP, S&D Group, European Parliament
- **Jeppe KOFOD**, MEP, Vice-President of the S&D Group, European Parliament
- **Yascha MOUNK**, Lecturer on Government at Harvard University
- **Tuulia PITKÄNEN**, Secretary General of Young European Socialists
- **Poul Nyrup RASMUSSEN**, former Prime Minister of Denmark, former PES President and former Member of the European Parliament
- **Kasper SAND KJÆR**, President of the Danish Youth Council
- **Maria SKORA**, Senior Project Manager for #DialogueOnEurope, Das Progressive Zentrum, Germany
- **Kata TÜTTŐ**, Member of the European Committee of the Regions, local councillor, Budapest
- **Josef WEIDENHOLZER**, Vice-President of the S&D Group, European Parliament



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