

Programme – “Just Transition”

Date: Monday, 5 December 2016

Time: 10am-6pm

Venue: MAI, Maison des Associations Internationales, Brussels
(40, rue Washington, 1050 Brussels)

Languages: English, Spanish, German, Polish.



10:00-10:15 Welcome and Introduction

Cornelia Ernst (Member of European Parliament, Die Linke, GUE/NGL)

Martin Schirdewan (Director of the Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation Brussels office)

Maxime Benatouil (transform! Programme Director)

10:15-11:45 SESSION 1: *What is to be done? Points of view from regions to be affected by the coal and/or nuclear phase-out - Facilitator: Claire Roumet (Director of Energy Cities)*

Torsten Poetzsch (Mayor from Weißwasser, Lusatia, Germany)

Leszek Swietalski (Secretary General of "Union of Rural Municipalities of Poland", Poland)

Janusz Piechocki (Mayor of Margonin, Poland)

Sofia Ciércoles (Mayor of Andorra, Teruel, Aragon, Spain)

Peter Singer (Chair of Group DIE LINKE. in Regional Council Cologne, Germany)

Discussion

11:45-12:00 Coffee Break

12:00-13:30 SESSION 2: *Arguments and Proposals for a Just Transition: Trade Unions' Voices - Facilitator: Cornelia Ernst (Member of European Parliament)*

Benjamin Denis (European Trade Union Confederation, ETUC)

Matthew Lay (Vice-President of the European Public Service Union Utilities Standing Committee and National Officer at UNISON)

Jose Luis Villares (Confederacion sindical de comisiones obreras, CCOO, Spain)

Marc Delepouve (Syndicat national de l'enseignement supérieur SNESUP-FSU, France)

Discussion

13:30-14:30 LUNCH BREAK

14:30-16:00 SESSION 3: *Arguments and Proposals for a Just Transition: Left Parties' and Green Parties' Voices - Facilitator: Paloma Lopez Bermejo (Member of European Parliament)*

Thomas Domres (Member of Parliament, DIE LINKE, Parliament Brandenburg, Germany)

Jana Pinka (Member of Parliament, DIE LINKE., Saxonian Parliament, Germany)

Claudia Beamish, Member of Scottish Parliament, Scottish Labour Party, UK)

Claude Turmes (Member of European Parliament, Group The Greens)
Inger V. Johansen (Red-Green-Alliance, Denmark)
Kate Hudson (National Secretary, Left Unity, United Kingdom)
Konrad Rychlewski (RAZEM, Poland)

Discussion

16.00-16.15 Coffee break

16:15-17:45 SESSION 4: Assessments of on-going regional experiences - Facilitator: Marlis Gensler (Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation)

Molly Walsh (Friends of the Earth Europe, Brussels)
Walter Wendt-Kleinberg (Ruhr Area, Germany)
Maité Llanos (Trade Unions for Energy Democracy, Geneva)
Hubertus Zdebel (Member of Parliament, Bundestag, Group DIE LINKE.)
Rolf Czeskleba-Dupont (Red-Green-Alliance, Denmark)

Discussion

17:45-18:15 Concluding Remarks and Next Working Steps - Facilitator: Martin Schirdewan (Director Rosa-Luxemburg-Foundation Brussels)

Manuela Kropp (Policy Advisor to MEP Cornelia Ernst, European Parliament, Brussels)
Jean-Claude Simon (facilitator of the transform! Working Group on Energy)
Maxime Benatouil (Transform, Programme Director)



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