



IN COOPERATION WITH



## **A PROGRESSIVE RENAISSANCE FOR EUROPE**

### **BRUSSELS, 3-5 APRIL 2014**

#### **LOCATION**

The Square  
Rue Mont des Arts - Kunstberg  
1000 Brussels

#### **LANGUAGES**

Dutch – English – French

#### **PROGRAMME**

##### **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2014**

Location: the Square, Brussels, Rue Ravenstein entrance, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor

18:00 – 20:00 **RENAISSANCE SPOTLIGHT – OPEN, EQUITABLE, SUSTAINABLE**  
*Followed by a drink*

**We present to you a fresh and interactive debate where the ‘spotlight’ will be on you. What would you like to see changed after the EU elections? Our Progressive Leaders are ready to answer your questions and reflect on your views. Send in your proposal upon registration and you might be invited to be in the spotlight to present your proposal and open the dialogue.**

The debate will start with our Progressive Leaders in the ‘spotlight’, giving them 2 minutes to pitch their views on the upcoming EU elections and how to realise ‘a Progressive Renaissance for Europe’ that will be open, equitable and sustainable. The second part requires your participation. Based on the British TV show ‘Dragon’s den’, there will be five rounds in which our Progressive Leaders are to be challenged by your proposal – What do you want from our Progressive Leaders after the EU elections? After the presentation of the proposal, only three Progressive Leaders are allowed to be in the spotlight and respond, the floor will then open to the rest of the public for further comments and reactions, before we open the indicative voting for or against the proposal. Do you agree or disagree with the presented proposal? The President of the S&D Group in the European

More information on [www.renaissance-europe.eu](http://www.renaissance-europe.eu)



FEPS • Rue Montoyer, 40 • 1000 Brussels



IN COOPERATION WITH



Parliament, Hannes Swoboda, will close the evening with final reflections on the discussion.

**Dialogue with you and our Progressive Leaders...**

**Massimo D'Alema**, President of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and former Prime Minister of Italy

**Giorgios Dassis**, President of the European Economic and Social Committee worker's group

**Zita Gurmai**, President of PES Women and Vice President of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)

**Karl-Heinz Lambertz**, President of the PES Group in the Committee of the Regions

**Kaisa Penny**, President of Young European Socialist (YES)

Vice President of the Party of European Socialists (PES) (tbc)

**Hannes Swoboda**, President of the S&D Group in the European Parliament

Moderation

**Alex Puissant**, Journalist and independent conference facilitator

More information on [www.renaissance-europe.eu](http://www.renaissance-europe.eu)



FEPS\_Europe #FEPS\_Renaissance

FEPS • Rue Montoyer, 40 • 1000 Brussels



IN COOPERATION WITH



**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

Location:

the Square, Brussels, Rue Ravenstein entrance, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

08:30

**REGISTRATION**

09:30

**START WORKSHOPS SESSION 1**

1. Tackling populism: the democratic deficit and public disaffection
2. Social Rights – Ensuring social progress
3. What growth and employment strategies for Europe?
4. What happened to Environmental Solidarity?
5. Woman up! for the European elections

11:30

**START WORKSHOPS SESSION 2**

6. Tackling populism: a positive role for EU civil society and local democracy
7. Labour Rights – ensuring decent work and quality employment
8. How to break the nexus between finance and inequality?
9. Development: Promoting economic and social rights
10. Youth Guarantee: Implementing and complementing

13:00 – 14:30

**LUNCH**

With literature *café*, with the support of

LE NOUVEL  
**Observateur**

Authors

**Bernard Guetta**, French Journalist, Author of the book “Intime Conviction”

**David Van Reybrouck**, Belgium Novelist, Author of the book “Against Elections” (tbc)

**Lord Roger Liddle**, Chair of Policy Network, author of “The Europe Dilemma: Britain and the Drama of EU integration”

More information on [www.renaissance-europe.eu](http://www.renaissance-europe.eu)



FEPS • Rue Montoyer, 40 • 1000 Brussels



IN COOPERATION WITH



13:30 – 15:00

## TROUBLE IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD: UKRAINE, THE EU AND THE 'RUSSIAN PROBLEM'

The world is watching tense anticipation as the streets of Kiev reverberated in protest. With a change of government, tensions remain amid economic deterioration and the inclusion of aggressive elements in the new government. With Russia's de facto annexation of Crimea there can be no return to 'business as usual'. This will directly impact on relations with the EU as potential sanctions bring consequences for its member states too. Is there hope for negotiations or do we face a new era of nationalist militarism?

### Speakers

**Thierry Repentin**, French Minister Delegate for European Affairs, attached to the Minister of Foreign Affairs (tbc)

**André Gerrits**, Professor in Russian History at Leiden University

**Nicoletta Pirozzi**, Senior Research Fellow at the Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)

**Stavros Lambrinidis**, EU Special Representative for Human Rights and former Foreign Minister of Greece

**Eneko Landaburu**, Notre Europe-Jacques Delors Institute, Special advisor to the President (tbc)

**Massimo D'Alema**, President of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and former Prime Minister of Italy

### Moderator

**Ernst Stetter**, Secretary General of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)

More information on [www.renaissance-europe.eu](http://www.renaissance-europe.eu)



FEPS • Rue Montoyer, 40 • 1000 Brussels



IN COOPERATION WITH



15:00 – 17:00

## **EUROPE AND ITS CITIZENS, THE CHALLENGE OF SUBSIDIARITY**

**With Progressive Mayors and city councillors**

Location: the Square, Brussels, Rue Ravenstein entrance,  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

### Opening

**Pascal Lamy**, Vice President of FEPS and Honorary president of Notre Europe -  
Jacques Delors Institute

### Speakers

**Juan Alberto Belloch Julbe**, Mayor of Zaragoza, Spain

**Alex Bodry**, Mayor of Dudelange and Party Leader of the LSAP, Luxembourg (tbc)

**Pierre Kanuty**, Council Member of the region île-de-France (PS France)

**Jacek Majchrowski**, Mayor of Kraków, Poland (tbc)

**Yvan Mayeur**, Mayor of Brussels, Belgium

**Giorgio Orsoni**, Mayor of Venice, Italy (tbc)

**Mayor from Austria** (tbc)

### Moderation

**Bruno Liebhaberg**, Chair of the FEPS Scientific Council

### Languages

English, French, Dutch, Spanish, Polish, Italian and German

More information on [www.renaissance-europe.eu](http://www.renaissance-europe.eu)



FEPS • Rue Montoyer, 40 • 1000 Brussels

FOUNDATION FOR EUROPEAN  
PROGRESSIVE STUDIES  
FONDATION EUROPÉENNE  
D'ÉTUDES PROGRESSISTES



IN COOPERATION WITH



18:00 -20:00

## A PROGRESSIVE RENAISSANCE FOR EUROPE

### Leaders debate

Location: The square, Main entrance

#### Speakers

**Kathleen Van Brempt**, top candidate for Europe, Socialistische Partij Anders België (Sp.a)

**Top Candidate of PS Belge** (tbc)

**Paul Magnette**, President of the Parti Socialiste Belge (PS)

**Bruno Tobback**, President of the Socialistische Partij Anders België (Sp.a)

**Massimo D'Alema**, President of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and former Prime Minister of Italy

**Elio Di Rupo**, Prime Minister of Belgium

**Martin Schulz**, Candidate for the President of the European Commission

#### Moderator

**Ernst Stetter**, Secretary General of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)

More information on [www.renaissance-europe.eu](http://www.renaissance-europe.eu)



FEPS • Rue Montoyer, 40 • 1000 Brussels



IN COOPERATION WITH



**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

*Closed event*

Location:

the FEPS Office, Brussels

09:00

**RENAISSANCE SPOTLIGHT ON YOUTH:  
THE EUROPE WE WANT TO CREATE**  
**Workshops with the FEPS Young Academics  
Network and Young European Socialists**

With the support of



And the



More information on [www.renaissance-europe.eu](http://www.renaissance-europe.eu)



FEPS\_Europe #FEPS\_Renaissance

FEPS • Rue Montoyer, 40 • 1000 Brussels