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- I take part in the workshop
- I will prepare/sent a contribution about

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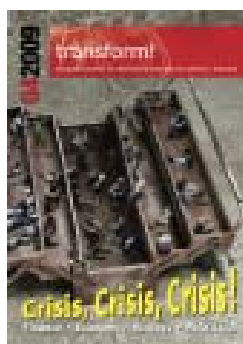
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Strategic Perspectives of the European Left (1):

“Why the Crisis Seems to Favour Rather the Right than the Left in Europe?”

International workshop by transform! Europe

Palma de Mallorca, 12th-13th March 2010

In cooperation with



On March 12-13, transform!europe will host a seminar in Mallorca entitled "Why the Crisis Seems to Favour the Right Rather than the Left in Europe". The debate, which will start out with a general assessment of the political geography, will be followed by a number of thematic focuses and case studies on different countries such as the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Norway, Portugal, Spain and Sweden.

"Why the Crisis Seems to Favour Rather the Right than the Left in Europe?"

The recent economic crisis, among other things, have showed the serious crisis of the European Social Democracy, as well as the inability of "our" Left (with some interesting exceptions) to increase its influence in society. This can be seen not only from the fact that the agenda for facing the crisis is set by the conservative European political forces, but also by the election results for the European Parliament. Thus the questions arises with urgency how the Left in Europe can develop the capacity of becoming an effective counter-hegemonic force. Actually this will be the focus of the seminar.

The workshop takes place in
Hotel Continental
Carrer Indústria 10
07013 Palma (Mallorca), Spain
Transportation to and from the airport PMI by bus, line 1.

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Agenda
Friday, 12 March
15.00 - 15.30

Welcome and opening
Javier Navascues, FIM

Introduction: A participative transform! Project. Methodological and Other Issues
Haris Golemis, NPI

15.30 – 17.15
1st Session

The Validity of the Claim: Results of Elections held in Europe during 2009: Walter Baier, TE

The Electoral Crisis of Social Democracy: The Great Retreat of the European Social Democratic Parties (1950-2009):
Gerassimos Moschonas, Greece

Discussion

17.30 – 21.00
2nd Session

Country Case Studies: Effects of the Crisis on the Left in Various EU countries - Short presentations of Political Foundations' Reports: Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal Spain, Sweden
Discussion

Saturday, 13 March
09.00 – 10.00
Presentation: The Situation of the Left in Spain
Discussion

10.15 – 12.30
3rd Session
Can the Left in Europe Produce an Effective hegemonic Project to Overcome the Crisis? (Part I)

- **Financial, Economic and Social Crisis: Dangers and Opportunities: Richard Detje, Germany**

- **Structural Social Changes and the Issue of a New "Social Block" Stephen Bouquin, France**

- **Gender Relations in a Hegemonic Left Project Silke Ötsch, Austria**

Discussion

13.30 – 16.00
Thus the questions arises with urgency how the Left in Europe can develop the capacity of becoming an effective counter-hegemonic force. (Part II)

- **The Ecological Crisis –A Credible Left Position as a Prerequisite of a Progressive Hegemony Inger V.Johansen, Denmark**

- **The Role of the State and Supra-State Institutions in a Progressive Hegemonic Project John Grahl, United Kingdom**

Discussion

16.30 – 18.00
4th Session

A Debate to Summarize Case and Thematic Studies: Elisabeth Gauthier + Haris Golemis
Closing of the seminar

18.15 – 19.30
Work Meeting on the Next Parts of the Project