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Report on the working Group on the Charter of principles of another Europe during the Frankfurt EPA-ESF

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Report on the working Group on the Charter of principles of another Europe which met at the occasion of the European Preparatory Assembly of the European Social Forum (EPA-ESF), in Frankfurt (March 2-5).

Dear friends,

I will summarize in this report only the decisions taken in the working group on the 'Charter of principles of another Europe', and give the list of seminars, controversial tables, the initial assembly and the final meeting. The email addresses belong to those people in charge of the contacts and the organization of the activity.

I remind you all that every organization should contribute to the cost of the seminars, 300 euros that should be divided.

- 1. We decided to rearrange the Charter in order to avoid misunderstandings on the goals of the process. We do not want to write a Constitution, but only to write down our common principles, which are in sharp contrast with those of the European neoliberal elites. In order to achieve this clarification we decided to specify the title, which now will be: The Charter of our common principles of another Europe.
- By rearranging the material, so as to avoid repetition and to divide the subjects between the first and second part, we should cancel all references to a constitutional design.
- 2. A group was put in charge of the rearrangement: Bolini, Klein, Gauthier, Gabriel, Endre, Almpanis, Golemis, Lekeu, Russo. It's obvious that everyone can participate to the rearranging process by sending proposals, amendments etc.
- 3. The process will not end in Athens, where we will have an initial assembly so as to present the Charter and its process, and a final meeting in which we can collect the results of the seminars and the controversial table in order to correct, add to the Charter, etc.

We will ask the Greek committee to hold the assembly on Thursday 4^{th} in the morning, and the final meeting on Saturday 6^{th} , or on Friday 5^{th} in the afternoon.

In the final meeting, we will discuss the next steps of the process and we will decide the location of the next Assembly on the Charter in Brussels or in Paris next winter.

Seminars and controversial tables:

(NB the persons, whose name is followed by the email address, are the 'contact persons', who are in charge of the organization of the activity)

1.The democratic life and the power in the enterprises Gerard Ryser g.ryser wanadoo.fr Simo Endre chiquito t-online.hu

 $2. \\ The defense of fundamental rights: UN and the international law$

Raffaella Bolini bolini arci.it

Leo Gabriel gabriel.lai magnet.at

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3. Permanent war and occupations, terrorisms, resistance - armed, civil, non violent

Raffaella Bolini bolini arci.it

Piero Bernocchi pierobernocchi libero.it

Tina Becher

G. Benzi

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4. The rights of self-determination for the Stateless Nations and the human rights of the individuals

Giuseppe Bronzini pabronzini tiscali.it

Jonan Lekeu jonan.lekeu gmail.com

Simo Endre

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5. Europe: the civic integration

Alla Glinchkova aglinchkova yandex.ru

Raffaella Bolini

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6. The democratic institution building of the EU

Franco Russo fs.russo tiscali.it

Yannis Almpanis yannisalmpanis hotmail.com

- C. Ventura
- G. Benzi

N. Vallinoto

Jean-Pierre Du Bois

Mangenot

H. Wainwright

T. Becher

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7. Casualisation, basic income, democratic rights of workers

Angela Klein am-klein arcor.de

Michel Rousseau rousseau ras.eu.org

Valeria Piccone valeria 1 interfree.it

P. Berncocchi

G. Benzi

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8. Social commons to grant universal rights

Enzo Bernardo bernardo fpcgil.it

Annick Coupè coup solidaires.org

Alla Glichkova/Alexander

P. Bernocchi

E. Gauthier

9. The knowledge society, the capitalist integration of science and production (ITC, pharmaceutical industries, biotechnologies,...)

Luciana Castellina lcastellina mclink.it

Marco Berlinguer marco.berlinguer transform.it

Scipione Semeraro

Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung

10. Environment, alternative economy, energy Maurizio Gubbiotti m.gubbiotti mail.legambiente.com Ciro Pesacane cpesaca tin.it M.Serafini

- 11. Patrarchy, capitalism, equality, differences Lilian Halls lilianhalls free.fr or ife efi.europa.org Imma Barbarossa imma.barbarossa rifondazione.it
- 12. Growth or non-growth, development, alternative economy, participation and democracy Alessandra Mecozzi internazionale fiom.cgil.it

Gerard Ryser

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13. Macroeconomic policies to fight European neoliberal strategies Pierre Khalfa khalfa solidaires.fr Gerardo Marletto gerardomarletto yahoo.it

14. Poverty and exclusion Simo Endre chiquito t-online.hu Annie Pourre annie echanges-partenariats.org Bernard Jean Bouchez Eros Cruccolini

In my opinion, every 'contact person' should

- i) check the list of seminars of the controversial tables on the website (www.fse-esf.org) and find similar proposals;
- ii) contact the other organizers ('contact persons')
- iii) try to reach a consensus on the participation in 'our' seminar or controversial table, or merge the different proposals into one
- iv) inform the Greek committee (merger athens.fse-esf.org) on the decision taken and register the new seminar or controversial table;
- v) pay the fee, divided among the different organization

(ed. by Franco Russo)