# Updated information for the open assembly in Brussels on Sept. 26th/27th

# For building together a transnational space of initiative for a Europe from below - through, against and beyond current Europe

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#### I. General Information: Time frame, Location, Language

**Time frame:** We will start Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6.30 p.m. (until 9 p.m.) and will continue on Saturday, the 27<sup>th</sup> from 9.00 am until 5 p.m.

#### Locations different) for Friday and Saturday

a) The meeting on Friday will take place at the

Maison de la Paix (Room Rosa Luxembourg)

Rue Van Elewyck 35, 1050 Ixelles/Brussels

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b) The meeting on Saturday will continue at

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Avenue de Stalingrad 18, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgien

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**Language and communication:** Our main language of communication will be English. However, we will provide simple technical equipment for translation if needed. However, it needs to be self-organized.

## **II.** Accommodation

There is accommodation (for free) for up to 50 people from Friday to Saturday night (in a hostel in central Brussels).

Those of you who need or want to be accommodated there please let us know as soon as possible – the latest date to let us know is **September the 15**<sup>th</sup> so that we have an overview and can make arrangements for sure. When we know for sure on September 15<sup>th</sup> whether we need more beds, we will organize something.

#### III. Travel costs - possibilities of reimbursement

We have (limited) funds for travel reimbursement. With the support of the following delegations from the *Gue/NGL: DIE LINKE. im EP, Podemos and 'Altra Europa con Tsipras* we are able to provide reimbursement for one person per network/group/organization/region for sure. Whether there is more for each group depends of the number s and travel costs. Therefore it is crucial to let us know your need of reimbursement not later than September 15<sup>th</sup>.

- For a fair distribution to all groups we need you to let us know until September 15<sup>th</sup> (the latest) your participation + need of travel reimbursement (incl. the price of the ticket). When we have an overview of all those who need reimbursement, we will know whether there is room for more tickets than just for one "delegate".
- ⇒ Please also indicate your network, group, organization, and region. And do not forget to include your contact details (email/phone number).
- ⇒ However, it is reimbursement of a ticket (flight, bus, train). You have to buy the ticket yourself and will be reimbursed **after** the meeting in Brussels. You will get the form in Brussels, please keep the original tickets/boarding passes for reimbursement.

## IV. Agenda of the Brussels Meeting

## Friday September 26<sup>th</sup>

## 6:30 pm - Welcome and coming together

Warm up and self-presentation of the participants: current activities and future initiatives of networks, organizations and groups under the context of consolidation of the EU crisis regime.

Greetings by a member of the GUE/NGL group of the EP.

(End of the evening approx. 9:00 pm. Afterwards feel free to continue the meeting in an informal way.)

# Saturday September 27<sup>th</sup>

#### 9:00 am - Introduction to the discussion

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9:45 am - Plenary discussion: Crisis regime, "post austerity" and ways to radical change Discussion on the current phase of economic, political and social life in times of "post austerity" narrative, on transnational politics and the possibilities for radical change: How can we frame our heterogeneous struggles within and against the newly consolidated EU crisis regime/a "new exploitation regime"?

(Based on the amount of participants, the discussion could be organized splitting up in smaller groups.)

## 12:30 pm - Lunch break

## 1:30 pm - Workshop discussion: Common discourses and common actions

- Towards a "road map" of networks against austerity policies/crisis regime/exploitation regime: In which ways we can connect the different activities, narratives, practices and meeting points as a common process?
- 2. Towards the Blockupy blockade of the ECB: Relevance and coordination of disobedient actions against austerity.

(The first workshop could be split, based on the results of the plenary discussion.)

## 3:30 pm - Plenary Discussion: Next steps of mobilization

Discussion of the workshops' results and shared decisions: Which points are to be continued during the working groups of the Blockupy Festival in November? Which key practices are to be strengthened after the meeting?

(End of the meeting 5:00 pm)