

EU Quo Vadis VI: International Conference

Solidarity and Strength

The Future of the European Union

Date and Venue

Wednesday, October 19 and Thursday, October 20, 2011

Conference Floor /Beletage of the Heinrich Böll Foundation, Schumannstraße 8, 10117 Berlin-Mitte

Conference language

Simultaneous interpretation from German into English and vice versa will be provided.

Conference management and information

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Background

The European debt crisis has once again raised the issue of European solidarity. The EU's cohesion and resistance to crisis are being put to the test. On the one hand, the debt crisis has brought to light the need for more cooperation and integration. At the same time, public support for an expanded community that sticks together and is mutually liable for all of its members is waning.

Promoting the model "Europe"

Solidarity and Strength of the EU are closely linked in this context: without internal cohesion, there is also no external ability to act. Europe has to prove the capability of the liberal constitutional state, the social market economy and supranational integration to overcome the enormous challenges of our time and thus also promote its model.

Particularly in times when there is growing fatigue for integration, we need a public debate on the outlook for the EU. How far should and can solidarity in Europe go? Which binding rules does a community that stands together in times of crisis need? What political decisions have to be made now to move the EU forward again?

Recommendations of the Commission of the Future of the EU

In light of this situation, the Heinrich Böll Foundation has convened a Future Commission made up of 50 experts under the title "European Solidarity and Strength". Its mission: to come up with concepts and proposal for actions in the main fields of European politics that could give cooperation new impetus.

The results of the Future Commission's one year of work will be presented for discussion at this conference.

AGENDA

Day 1, Wednesday, October 19, 2011

- 2:30 p.m. Registration**
- 3:30 p.m. Introduction of the recommendations of the Commission of the Future of the EU**
Ralf Fücks, President, Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin
- 3:45 p.m. Political Dialogue**
Reinhard Bütikofer, Member of the European Parliament, The Greens/EFA, Brussels
Vs.
Jan Zielonka, Professor of European Politics, University of Oxford; Ralf Dahrendorf Fellow, St Antony's College, Oxford
Moderated by: **Ralf Fücks**, President, Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin
- 4:30 p.m. Keynote**
Andrew Moravcsik, Professor of Politics and International Affairs and Director, European Union Program, Princeton University
- 4:35 p.m. Opening podium
Solidarity and Strength: The Future of the EU**
Jadwiga Staniszkis, Emeritus Professor of Politics and Sociology, University Warsaw
Claudio Franzius, Private Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Humboldt University Berlin
Andrew Moravcsik, Professor of Politics and International Affairs and Director, European Union Program, Princeton University
Jürgen Trittin, Chairman, Alliance 90/The Greens in the German Bundestag, Berlin
Moderated by: **Petra Pinzler**, Editor at the Berlin office, Die Zeit
- 6:00 p.m. Coffee Break**
- 6:30 p.m. Podium 1
The Future of European Democracy**
Ulrich K. Preuß, Emeritus Professor of Law and Politics, Berlin
Peter Graf von Kielmansegg, Emeritus Professor of Politics, University Mannheim
Heather Grabbe, Director, Open Society Institute, Brussels
Gerald Häfner, Member of the European Parliament, The Greens/EFA, Brussels
Moderated by: **Christine Pütz**, Department Head European Union, Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin

8:00 p.m. Reception with buffet

Day 2, Thursday, October 20, 2011

8:30 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Welcome

Rainder Steenblock, Former Minister, Coordinator of the Commission of the Future of the EU, Berlin

**9:05 a.m. Podium 2
100 % renewable energy in Europe: The Future of European Climate and Energy Policy**

Michaele Schreyer, Former Member of the European Commission, Vice-President of Network European Movement Germany

Irm Scheer-Pontenagel, Manager, EUROSOLAR, Bonn

Delia Villagrasa, Senior Advisor, European Climate Foundation, Brussels

Grzegorz Wiśniewski, President of the Management Board, Institute for Renewable Energy, Warsaw

Moderated by: **Eva van de Rakt**, Head, Prague office, Heinrich Böll Foundation

10:45 a.m. Coffee Break

11:15 a.m. Parallel workgroups:

**Workgroup 1: → Small Conference Room 1-2 No Translation
The EU and Its Neighbors: The Future of European Enlargement and Neighbourhood Policy**

Joost Legendijk, Senior Associate, Istanbul Policy Center, Sabanci University, Istanbul

Manuel Sarrazin, Member of the German Bundestag, Spokesperson on european policy of the Alliance 90/The Greens Parliamentary Group, Berlin

Marzena Guz-Vetter, Representation of the European Commission in Germany, Berlin

Moderated by: **Rainder Steenblock**, Former Minister, Coordinator of the Commission of the Future of the EU, Berlin

**Workgroup 2: →Big Conference Room 1-2 With Translation
The Future of European Foreign and Security Policy**

Ulrike Guérot, Head of the Berlin Office, European Council on Foreign Relations, Berlin

Frithjof Schmidt, Member of the German Bundestag, Vice-Chair of the Parliamentary Group Alliance 90/The Greens, Berlin

Walter Stevens, Director, Crisis Management and Planning Department, European External Action Service, Brussels

Moderated by: **Bastian Hermisson**, Head of Department, EU/North America, Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin

Workgroup 3: →Conference Room 1 No Translation
The Future of European Agricultural Policy

Tobias Reichert, Senior Advisor World Trade and Food, Germanwatch, Berlin

Martin Häusling, Member of the European Parliament, The Greens/EFA, Brussels

Ico von Wedel, Member of the Cabinet of the Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development Dacian Cioloş, European Commission, Brussels

Moderated by: **Christine Chemnitz**, Programme Director, International Agricultural Trade, Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin

1:00 p.m. Lunch Break

2:00 p.m. Podium 3
Solidarity in the Crisis: The Future of European Economic, Financial and Social Policy

Daniela Schwarzer, Head of Research Division, Research Division European Integration, German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Berlin

Reinhard Bütikofer, Member of the European Parliament, The Greens/EFA, Brussels

Mats Persson, Director, Open Europe, London

Ronald Janssen, Adviser, European Trade Union Confederation, Brussels

Moderated by: **Rainder Steenblock**, Former Minister, Coordinator of the Commission of the Future of the EU, Berlin

3:45 p.m. Coffee Break

4:15 p.m. Fishbowl
The European Union of the Future

Lisa Paus, Member of the German Bundestag, Alliance 90/The Greens, Berlin

Joachim Fritz-Vannahme, Project Manager, Future of Europe, Bertelsmann Stiftung, Gütersloh

Ralf Fücks, President, Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin

Moderated by: **Miriam Janke**, Facilitator; Journalist, Berlin

5:45 p.m. End of Conference