Solidarity, Integration, Stabilisation

Alternatives to neoliberal Europe from a trade union perspective

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Solidarity against the crisis of public finances

**Challenge:** get government bond yield spreads down

**Solution:** Eurobonds and ECB as lender of last resort (ESM banking license)

**Announcements of Draghi/ECB** right step, but unfortunately not credible enough

*Source: ECB*
Better Integration of (good) Policies for a functionable Europe

- **Challenge:** stabilize financial & banking system,
  Solution: tight regulation, financial product regulation, FTT, Banking Union…

- **Challenge:** fight and prevent imbalances in a growing economy

  ![Current Account Balances](chart)

  **Solution:** Economic Governance Schemes that lead to high social standards and strengthening of collective bargaining
Short and long term Stabilization of European Economies

Challenge: Stimulus & investment under conditions of debt brakes & disfunctional banking system

- Fight the crisis (More than 26 Million unemployed in Europe)
- Make Europe resilient for the future (rotten infrastructure…)
- Reduce CO2-Emissions & give answers to new needs in society

Solution: DGB-Proposal for a „Marshallplan for Europe“
Key aspects of Marshall Plan

European Future Fund promotes investments in:
- Sustainable Industry
- Modernisation

- European Energy Turnaround: 150 billion EUR
- Transport Infrastructure: 10 billion EUR
- External Broadband Networks: 10 billion EUR
- Public and private services: 20 billion EUR
- Education and Training: 30 billion EUR
- Demographic Transition: 7 Mrd. EUR
- Sustainable Water Resources Management: 3 billion EUR

Plan is not finished yet

European colleagues and partners are invited to:
- Examine which measures are appropriate for their country
- Define, which urgent needs exist in their countries
- Suggest additional measures

2.600 billion Euro in 10 years
Financing the Marshall Plan

27,000 billion Euro
net assets under management in Europe

Capital

Demand
- State
- Private Households
- Companies

Supply

European Future Fund
promotes investments and demand

New Deal Bonds

FTT

Fund needs Equity:
- Proposal for Germany: wealth levy 3% on private assets above 500,000€ (single)/1 Million (couple)
Macroeconomic effects
(long-term average)

- 3% additional growth
- 400 billion Euro additional wealth
- 9-11 million regular full-time jobs
- 104 billion Euro additional tax revenue
- 56 billion Euro additional social security contributions
- 20 billion Euro savings in unemployment benefit expenditure
- 300 billion Euro annual savings in fossil fuel imports
Thank you for your attention

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