



## Programme:

Friday, April 3

### 15.30 Arrival and registration

### 16.00 Opening addresses:

**Jörg Huffschnid**, coordinator of PRESOM  
**Dominik Sobczak**, EU-Commission, DG R+D

### 16.30 – 18.30 Panel 1: Privatisation in Europe

Chair:  
**Jörg Huffschnid**, Bremen

Speakers:  
**Marica Frangakis**, Athens, PRESOM, Privatisation in Western Europe, An overview

**Karoly Lorant**, Budapest, Privatisation in Eastern Europe

**Ulrich Thöne**, Frankfurt, president of German educational workers union GEW, Privatisation in education, experiences from Germany

**Neal Lawson**, London Compass (UK), Privatisation of the British Post Office? (tbc)

### 18.30 – 19.00 Break

### 19.00 – 21.00 Panel 2: The EU and the public sector

Chair:  
**Birgit Mahnkopf**, Berlin

Speakers:  
**Frank Bsirske**, Berlin, president of German services workers union Ver.di

**Rainer Rilling**, Berlin, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation, The crisis of privatisation and the return of the public space

**Representative of the European Commission**, Brussels  
DG Internal Market, A European framework for public services? (tbc)

**David Hall**, London, PSIRU and PRESOM, A critique of European liberalisation policies

Saturday, April 4

### 10.00 – 12.00 Panel 3: The financial crisis and privatisation/liberalisation

Chair:  
**Joze Mencinger**, Ljubljana

Speakers:  
**Laszlo Andor**, Budapest, University of Budapest

**Dominique Plihon**, Paris, Université de Paris 13

**Trevor Evans**, Berlin School of Economics

**Jörg Huffschnid**, Bremen, PRESOM

### 12.00 - 12.30 Break (Information about EPSU campaign)

### 12.30 – 14.30 Panel 4: Defending the Welfare state

Chair:  
**Miren Etxezarreta**, Barcelona

Speakers  
**Christoph Hermann**, Vienna, PRESOM

**Christoph Aguitton**, Attac France (tbc)

**Penny Clarke**, Brussels, Head of EU policy and officer for local and regional government, European Federation for Public Service Unions (EPSU)

**Asbjörn Wahl**, Oslo, Norwegian Union of Municipal and General Employees and National coordinator, Campaign for the Welfare State

### 14.30 – 14.45: Concluding remarks

Working languages are English and German.  
There will be simultaneous translation.



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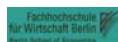
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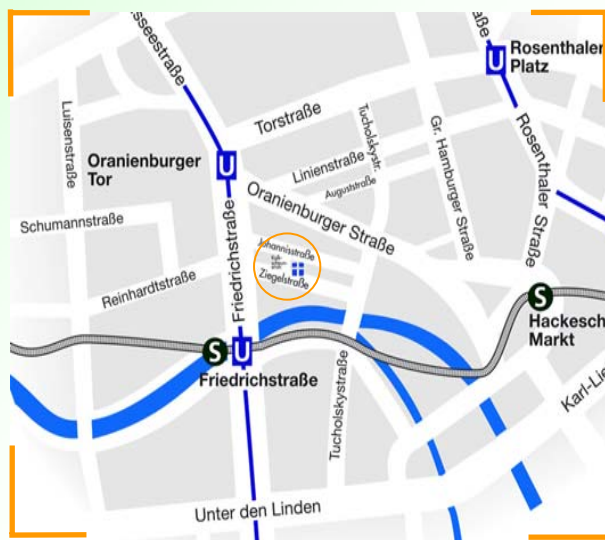
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