

Progressive Governance Symposium

in Berlin on 3 July 2017
at Kalkscheune (Johannisstraße 2)



Overall Objectives

- Creating a space for informal intellectual reflection on the pressing political challenges of our time.
- Providing momentum for the centre-left in its quest to reclaim thought leadership and increase its impact on the public debate.
- Offering an opportunity for exchange across party lines before coming together to celebrate.

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Attendance by personal invitation only

Following the two-day Progressive Governance Conferences organised in Santiago, London, Oslo, Dublin, Copenhagen, Amsterdam and Stockholm, **the Progressive Governance Symposium (#PGS17) on 3 July in Berlin is an exclusive half-day summit for leading as well as up-and-coming academics, activists and decision-makers from European governments, parliaments and parties.** The event, entitled “Politics for a New Progressive Era”, is hosted by Das Progressive Zentrum (Germany), Policy Network (UK) and the Party of European Socialists (PES), in cooperation with the Centre for American Progress (US), Volta (Italy), Terra Nova (France) and Les Gracques (France).

It will tackle two key challenges of our time:

Thread A: Strengthening social justice and inclusive growth in transforming economies

- Shaping economic policy in an era of technological change
- Boosting growth, innovation and social justice
- Reforming social policy in ageing societies

Thread B: Making Europe and its democracies fit for the future

- Responding to rising nationalism and inspiring fresh thinking on internationalism and the future of democracy in Europe and the world
- Defining Europe’s new role in the world and fostering its international relations (especially the transatlantic partnership)
- Restoring confidence in its political movements and reclaiming intellectual leadership in the public discourse



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"Politics for a New Progressive Era"

Re-thinking liberal democracy and fulfilling the centre-left promise of prosperity and social justice

12:45

Registration and snacks

13:30

Welcoming remarks

Tobias Dürr

Chair and Co-Founder, Das Progressive Zentrum

Matthew Laza

Director, Policy Network

Achim Post

Secretary General, PSE and MP, SPD parliamentary group, German Bundestag

13:40

Opening keynote speech

Norman Birnbaum

Emeritus Professor, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington D.C., USA

14:15

Parallel breakout sessions I

Thread A

Tackling the inequality challenge: economic growth for the many, not the few

Room A

Initial Inputs:

Heinz Bude Professor, University of Kassel, Germany

Marcel Fratzscher President, German Institute for Economic Research (DIW), Germany

Brief comments:

Pervenche Berès MEP, Socialist Party, France

Jeroen Dijsselbloem President of the Eurogroup, Netherlands

Maja Göpel Head of Berlin Office, Wuppertal Institute, Germany

Anke Hassel Professor, Hertie School of Governance, Germany

Carsten Schneider MP, Vice-Chair SPD parliamentary group, German Bundestag

Chair:

Olaf Cramme Managing Partner, Inline Policy, UK

Thread B

Confronting the populist threat and strengthening open society and progressive movements

Room B

Initial Inputs:

Colin Crouch Emeritus Professor, University of Warwick, UK

Cas Mudde Associate Professor, School of Public and International Affairs, University of Georgia, Georgia, USA

Brief comments:

Helmut Anheier President, Hertie School of Governance, Germany

Anna Ascani MP, Chamber of Deputies, Democratic Party, Italy

Yves Bertoncini Director, Jacques Delors Institute, France

Esra Küçük Head of Gorki Forum and Member of the Board of Directors

Sabine Russ-Sattar Professor, University of Kassel, Germany

Bernard Spitz President, Les Gracques, France

Chair:

Jeremy Cliffe Berlin Bureau Chief, The Economist, UK

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15:30

Coffee break

16:00

Parallel breakout sessions II

Thread A

Digital economy: growth, prosperity and social security in a high-risk, high-opportunity era

Room A

Initial Inputs:

Laura-Kristine Krause Head of Programme “Future of Democracy”, Das Progressive Zentrum and Co-Chairwoman of think tank D64, Germany

Stephen Silvia Professor, School of International Service, American University, Washington D.C., USA

Brief comments:

Jon Ashworth Shadow Secretary of State for Health, Labour MP, UK

Daniel Buhr Professor, University of Tübingen, Germany

Laura Dornheim Digital Strategist Eyeo GmbH and Candidate for the 2017 German federal elections, Alliance 90/The Greens

Reiner Hoffmann President, German Trade Union Confederation (DGB)

Anousheh Karvar Former Deputy Chief of Staff to the French Minister of Labour, France

Chair:

Philip Oltermann Berlin Bureau Chief, The Guardian & The Observer, Germany

Thread B

Reshaping Europe’s architecture: the promise of a French-German revival?

Room B

Initial Inputs:

Henrik Enderlein Associate Dean, Hertie School of Governance, Germany

Jean Pisani-Ferry Professor, Sciences Po, Paris, France

Brief comments:

Franziska Brantner MP, Alliance 90/The Greens parliamentary group, German Bundestag

Sawsan Chebli State Secretary, Senate Chancellery Berlin

Andreas Görgen Director-General for Culture and Communication, German Federal Foreign Office

Lia Quartapelle MP, Chamber of Deputies, Democratic Party, Italy

Valérie Rabault MP, French National Assembly, Socialist Party, France

Chair:

Kate Connolly Berlin Correspondent, the Guardian, UK

17:30

Conclusions & key insights: A progressive agenda for a new era

Discussants:

Lodewijk Asscher Chairman, Dutch Labour Party and Deputy Prime Minister of the Netherlands

Colin Crouch Emeritus Professor, University of Warwick, UK

Mariana Vieira da Silva Deputy Secretary of State to the Prime Minister of Portugal

Christina Kampmann former Minister for Family, Children, Youth, Culture and Sport, North Rhine-Westphalia, SPD

Chair:

Matthew Laza Director, Policy Network

18:00

Break for snacks and drinks

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