



Progressive Governance Symposium

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#PGS19

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Dear friends,

From North America to Europe, national-populist movements and parties are on the march. In the United States, a nationalist demagogue has captured one of the major parties – and the White House. In Europe, nationalist movements are set to make further gains in May's upcoming European elections, continuing to elbow aside once-dominant mass political parties and upend the liberal order. As a result of an apparent inability to channel the Zeitgeist, progressive parties on both sides of the Atlantic find themselves out of power, with many in disarray.

The challenges that progressive parties across Europe and North America now face include stale themes and ideas; older leaders and legacy coalitions of interests that are out of touch with younger generations; and a misguided focus on propping up the status quo instead of embracing a political paradigm shift. To many, they have ceased to be credible agents of political innovation and social progress on topics that hugely matter to voters, including far-reaching structural changes in the economy.

While the challenges facing progressives in today's interdependent world are immense, so are the possibilities for change. We see an imperative for progressives to act by advocating a paradigm shift to a more sustainable and inclusive economy. There are no easy answers for how this can be achieved. But the experi-

ences of the past decade's financial crisis have shown that a systemic change will require giving people a greater voice in making political decisions and in creating an economic system that is built on empowerment and fairness, not exclusion.

We believe it is time for a revitalised conversation and next-generation thinking among progressive parties and activists on both sides of the Atlantic, and beyond. Therefore, the key objective of the Progressive Governance Symposium 2019 is to rejuvenate the progressive movement, its governing philosophy, and its agenda based on cross-border dialogue among center-left politicians, parties, and leading thinkers.

The conference is hosted by Das Progressive Zentrum (Germany), the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (Brussels), the Progressive Policy Institute (USA), the Heinrich Böll Foundation (Germany), Policy Network (UK), the RSA (UK), VOLTA (Italy), Terra Nova (France), Fundación Alternativas (Spain), Fundação Res Publica (Portugal), Arenagruppen (Sweden), the Ferdinand Lassalle Centre (Poland), the Centre for European Reform (UK) and Social Europe (EU).

Together with inspiring thinkers and doers from all over the world, today we have the opportunity to build momentum for a global movement. After a long winter, it's springtime for progressive politics.

We wish you a very warm welcome!

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The #PGS19 objectives and principles

The Progressive Governance Symposiums are unique in that they combine party-political networking and leaders forums with policy input from leading public intellectuals. They bring together politicians and intellectuals from social-democratic, green and liberal parties and movements from across the world to address key challenges to forward-looking politics and governments in today's globalised world. This year's symposium convenes people who seek to build shared prosperity and improve lives at the local, national, and transnational level.

Objectives of the day:

- Creating a space for informal intellectual reflection on the pressing political challenges of our time.
- Building momentum behind the progressive movement 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.

The order of play and conversations at #PGS19

The symposium will kick off with invitation-only plenary and breakout sessions to examine major policy challenges and progressive solutions. In the evening, the symposium will go public with our leaders panels that will spark lively discussions on the future of progressive politics and transatlantic relations. After the hard work is done, we will switch into networking and dancing mode with our Celebrating Spring Party.

Our activities aim to promote an interactive and lively discussion among participants that is guided by five principles:

1. Best-practice solutions: Exchanging policy lessons, ideas, experiences and concepts amongst an international network of progressives in order to learn from each other and effect change;
2. Inclusive economy: Harnessing the forces of globalisation and new tech to secure more inclusive prosperity and sustainability;

3. Combining the power of state, market, and citizens: Rethink the relationship between the state, market and citizens, defining new roles for state policies, market forces and grassroots-level activism to achieve ambitious goals.
4. Fairness and justice: Identifying ways to promote economic growth, good jobs, and shared prosperity while mitigating the social risks of structural change.
5. Social equity: Seeking greater equity, at both the national and international level.

Three threads will guide the conversation in the plenary, breakout and public events throughout the day, as progressives from Europe and across the Atlantic discuss the following key challenges:



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Thread I: **Responding to the new politics of identity and populism**

Beyond a binary world: how to win the battle of ideas on identity and internationalism

In this thread we will examine how identity issues and the nationalistic narrative of a closed society and economy have been eroding the constituency of progressive parties in both Europe and North America since the global financial crises. We will discuss opportunities to confront these challenges, strengthen progressive alliances internationally, and develop innovative ideas for progressive political leadership and mobilization. Specifically, Thread I will focus on how both governing and opposition political parties are responding to national populists, including:

- Inspiring fresh thinking on strengthening liberal democracy and the market economy;
- Addressing voters' anxieties about migration and integration and developing an action framework that corresponds with core progressive values;
- Articulating a new progressive cultural narrative that champions pluralism, tolerance and unifying political values and offers an alternative to the tribal politics of race, religion and national identity;
- Reviving the progressive narrative of internationalism and the role of the transatlantic partnership and the European social model for a post-Trump and Brexit-era.

Breakout sessions:

- 11.15 - 12.30** "Responding to the populist surge: how to deal with the politics of identity in times of migration and cultural populism"
- 14.30 - 16.00** "Revisiting the progressive concept of internationalism"

Thread II: **Building an inclusive economy and society**

The centre-left promise of bigger and bolder ideas for inclusive growth, politics and governance

This thread aims at discussing and developing fresh ideas for progressive policy reforms to gain credibility on the economy, foster inclusive growth, democratic innovation and social mobility at the local, national and international levels. The discussions will be guided by the following questions:

- How are inequalities and other challenges being amplified by key drivers of economic and social change, including new technologies, high public debt, and changing demographics, and how should progressives respond?
- Where are the key opportunities for public and private investment to boost economic growth, productivity and employment?
- What role should the state play in economic and social development and how can progressives devise new and inclusive forms of governance for economic growth?
- What are the most promising strategies for institutionalising democratic innovations and mechanisms for inclusive growth? What are the major barriers to reform?

Breakout sessions:

- 11.15 - 12.30** "Bottom-up, not top-down: Democratic innovation and inclusive growth at the city level"
- 14.30 - 16.00** "Heralding a fair and sustainable agenda of public investment"

Thread III: Ensuring a Just Transition

The environment and big tech: successfully managing and designing structural change

This thread will explore the impact of big tech and climate change on the way we live, create economic and social value and do politics. The big challenge for progressives in this debate is twofold. First, how can we reform industrial-era policy so that businesses and industries can harness new technologies and mitigate the social downsides of economic disruption? Second, how can we promote sustainability in economy and society in order to address the challenges of climate change. The main threads of the discussion will be:

- Whether the digital era can unlock a renaissance of state interventions in economy and industrial policy;
- How to design post-industrial and progressive tax, competition, labour market, regional and data policies;
- Developing strategies, tools and policy instruments in order to increase the efforts already taken to decarbonise energy production and consumption;
- Finding ways to get real on addressing climate and sustainability;
- Examining the key challenges facing the welfare state over the next ten years and how social security systems can be updated to accommodate ongoing digital transformations.

Breakout sessions:

11.15 - 12.30 “How progressives can win the energy and climate debate”

14.30 - 16.00 “Updating economic and social thinking in an era of big tech”

Quick Guide

Part I: By invitation only

- 10:00 Welcoming remarks
- 10:30 **Opening remarks discussion:** “Rechter Zeitgeist”: A challenge to democracy and how to overcome it”
- 11:15 **Parallel breakout sessions**
- 12:30 Lunch Break
- 12:45 Luncheon discussion: “The state of Europe’s centre-left - presenting a new survey of European attitudes”
- 13:30 **Keynote insights & discussion**
- 14:30 **Parallel breakout sessions**
- 16:00 **Conclusions & key insights**
- 16:30 Break for snacks and drinks
- 16:45 Tea Time Discussion: “How can progressives win elections again?”

Part II: Public event

- 17:30 Welcoming Remarks & Initial Statements
- 17:45 **Panel Discussion:** “The BIG transformation: Regaining trust and winning the debate on structural change”
- 18:45 Short Break
- 19:00 **Keynote Speech:** “Standing up for the people and places left behind by economic change”
- 19:15 **Public Panel Discussion:** “Hope for tomorrow in times of new nationalism & populism”
- 20:15 **Celebrating Spring Party** (“Frühlingsfest”)

Co-Hosted by:

"In the face of new nationalism: How to restart Europe & the transatlantic partnership for #NextGeneration Progress"

9:00

Registration with tea & coffee

10:00

Welcoming remarks

Sawsan Chebli

Permanent Secretary for International Relations, Governing Mayor of Berlin – Senate Chancellery

Will Marshall

President, Progressive Policy Institute

Christian Odendahl

Chief Economist, Centre for European Reform

Dominic Schwickert

Executive Director, Das Progressive Zentrum

10:30

Opening remarks discussion:

"Rechter Zeitgeist": A challenge to democracy and how to overcome it

Matthew Taylor

Chief Executive, Royal Society of Arts

Response from: Celia Benin

Visiting Fellow, Center on the United States and Europe, Brookings Institution

Chair: Maria Skóra

Senior Project Manager, Das Progressive Zentrum

11:15

Parallel breakout sessions I

Room 1

Thread I: Identity and Populism
**Responding to the populist surge:
How to deal with the politics of
identity in times of migration and
cultural populism**

Insights from:

Tiago Antunes Secretary of State of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers

Andrea Brunner Deputy Federal Secretary-General, SPÖ

Anneliese Dodds MP, Shadow Minister of Treasury, Labour

Emilia Palonen Senior Lecturer in Political Science, University of Helsinki

Chair: Giuliano da Empoli Chairman, Volta

Room 2

Thread II: Inclusive Economy and Society
Bottom-up, not top-down: Democratic innovation and inclusive growth at the city level

Insights from:

Kamzy Gunaratnam Deputy Mayor of Oslo

Quentin Hart Mayor of Waterloo, Iowa

Spiros Pengas Deputy Mayor of Thessaloniki

Chair: Matthew Taylor Chief Executive, Royal Society of Arts

Room 4

Thread III: Just Transition
How progressives can win the energy and climate debate

Insights from:

Paul Bledsoe Strategic Adviser, Progressive Policy Institute

Zefi Dimadama Vice President, PES Women

Maja Göpel Secretary-General, German Advisory Council on Global Change and Policy Fellow, Das Progressive Zentrum

Antoine Guillou Energy & Climate Coordinator, Terra Nova

Chair: Daniela Blaschke Visiting Policy Fellow, Das Progressive Zentrum

12:30

Lunch break with Luncheon discussion

12:45

Ground Floor Stage*The state of Europe's centre-left - presenting a new survey of European attitudes***Presentation by:** Pete Brodnitz

President, Expedition Strategies

Response by: Celia Belin

Visiting Fellow, Center on the United States and Europe, Brookings Institution

Chair: Håkan A. Bengtsson

CEO, Arenagruppen

13:30

Keynote insights & discussions

**The coming progressive renaissance:
Remarks on the birth of a new generation of ideas and policies**

Marije Laffeber

Deputy Secretary General, Party of European Socialists

Quentin Hart

Mayor of Waterloo, Iowa

Jack Markell

2009-2017 Governor of Delaware, Adviser to former Vice President Joe Biden

Valérie Rabault

Leader, Parliamentary Group of "Socialists and Affiliated", National Assembly

Chair: Florian Ranft

Policy Fellow, Das Progressive Zentrum

14:30

Parallel breakout sessions II**Room 1**

Thread I: Identity and Populism
**Revisiting the progressive
concept of internationalism**

Insights from:

Agnieszka Dziemianowicz-Bąk Feminist
Activist and Politician

Diego López Garrido Vice President, Fundación
Alternativas and Former Secretary of State for
the European Union

Konstantin Kuhle MP, Free Democratic Party

Corinne Narassiguin 2012 Representative,
North America, Socialist Party/Greens

Chair: Bastian Hermisson Executive Director,
Heinrich Böll Foundation Office in
Washington D.C.

Room 2

Thread II: Inclusive Economy and Society
**Heralding a fair and sustainable
agenda of public investment**

Insights from:

László Andor Senior Fellow, FEPS and Former
Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs
and Inclusion

Zoë Billingham Head of Policy and Engage-
ment, Centre for Progressive Policy

Anne Kim Vice President of Domestic Policy,
Progressive Policy Institute

Fernando Rocha Andrade MP, Socialist Party

Chair: Christian Odendahl
Chief Economist, Centre for European Reform

Room 4

Thread III: Just Transition
**Updating economic and social
thinking in an era of big tech**

Insights from:

Marius Busemeyer Professor of Political
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Laura Dornheim Adviser on Digital Policy,
Alliance 90/The Greens

Michael Mandel Chief Economic Strategist,
Progressive Policy Institute

Isaac Stanley Researcher, Inclusive Innovation,
NESTA

Chair: Katja Jäger Researcher, betterplace lab

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16:00

Conclusion & key insights

Sophia Besch

Research Fellow, Centre for European Reform

Giuliano da Empoli

Chairman, Volta

Will Marshall

President, Progressive Policy Institute

Marc-Olivier Padis

Director of Studies, Terra Nova

Chair: Maria Skóra

Senior Project Manager, Das Progressive Zentrum

16:30

Break for snacks and drinks with Tea Time discussion

16:45

Ground Floor Stage

How can progressives win elections again?

André Krouwel

Lecturer, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam and Founder of Kieskompas

Sheri Berman

Professor of Political Science, Barnard College, Columbia University

Chair: Henning Meyer

Managing Director, Social Europe



Progressive Governance Leaders Debate

"Building a transatlantic coalition for the BIG transformation"

17:00

Registration

17:30

Welcome & Initial Statements

Michael Miebach

Deputy Chairman, Das Progressive Zentrum

Maja Göpel

Secretary-General, German Advisory Council on Global Change and Policy Fellow, Das Progressive Zentrum

Jean Pisani-Ferry

Professor of Economics, Sciences Po, Paris; the Hertie School of Governance, Berlin; and the European University Institute, Florence

Panel discussion

"The BIG transformation: Regaining trust and winning the debate on structural change"

Anneliese Dodds

MP, Shadow Minister of Treasury, Labour

Robert Habeck

Chairman, Green Party

Michael Werz

Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress

Reiner Hoffmann

President, German Trade Union Confederation

Chair Sudha David-Wilp

Senior Transatlantic Fellow and Deputy Director, Berlin Office, The German Marshall Fund of the United States

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Keynote speech

"Standing up for the people and places left behind by economic change"

Stephan Weil

Prime Minister, Lower Saxony

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Prime Minister, Lower Saxony

Tamás Harangozó

MP, Leader Parliamentary Group, Hungarian Socialist Party

Chair: Petra Pinzler

Journalist, Die Zeit

20:15

Celebrating Spring Party ("Frühlingsfest")

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Active Contributors



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**TIAGO
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He currently holds the office of Secretary of State of the Presidency of Portugal's Council of Ministers. In this position, he coordinates and oversees the governmental law-making process. Before becoming a member of the Portuguese Government in 2017, he worked at the European Parliament both on both constitutional and economic affairs. Previously, he served as an adviser and then chief of staff to the Secretary of State. In these positions, he advised on energy and environmental policy and participated in international climate negotiation summits, among other areas. Previously, he worked as a lawyer at a major Portuguese law firm.



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He is CEO of Arenagruppen, one of the premier progressive think tanks in Scandinavia. The Arena Group's Economic Council is an initiative with the aim of providing space for progressive economic thinking and stimulating independent economic research. He also co-founded the magazine Arena, Sweden's leading magazine on society and current affairs.



**SHERI
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She is a professor of Political Science at Barnard College, Columbia University. Her research interests include European history and politics, the development of democracy, populism and fascism, and the history of the left. She has written about these topics for a wide variety of publications, including the New York Times, The Washington Post, Foreign Policy, Foreign Affairs, and Vox. She currently serves on the boards of the Journal of Democracy, Dissent and Political Science Quarterly.


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She is a research fellow at the Centre for European Reform. She works on European defence issues, with a focus on EU Common Defence and Security Policy, European defence industry co-operation, NATO and German foreign and defence policy. Sophia comments regularly in broadcast and print media and has contributed opinion pieces on German foreign policy to various magazines and newspapers. She has given oral evidence to the House of Commons Defence Select Committee on the subject of the future of UK-EU defence co-operation. Prior to joining the CER, Sophia was a Carlo Schmid Fellow at the Policy Planning Unit at NATO HQ and worked as a researcher for the NATO Parliamentary Assembly. Sophia holds degrees in International Security and International Relations from Sciences Po Paris and the London School of Economics.


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**PETE
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He is President of Expedition Strategies. In the U.S., his recent political work includes providing research-based strategic advice to five new U.S. senators who have won the election since 2006. In 2007, the American Association of Political Consultants named Pete Brodnitz “Pollster of the Year” – the top honour in the political polling profession – recognizing success and innovation in U.S. campaigns. In the nonprofit sector, Pete has worked with leading organizations, including Third Way, New Democrat Network, America’s Voice, the Human Rights Campaign, and America Votes.



**ANDREA
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She has been Secretary General of SPÖ Frauen (the women’s division within the Social Democratic Party of Austria) since February 2014. In 2017 she became Deputy Secretary General of SPÖ. Andrea holds a Masters Degree in Political Science. Prior to that she was the spokesperson for former Minister of Women’s Affairs Gabriele Heinisch-Hosek (2009-2014).



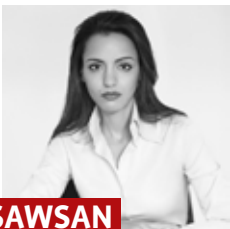
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She is a British Labour and Co-operative Party politician who was elected as the Member of Parliament for Oxford East in 2017. She was formerly a Member of the European Parliament for the South East England region (2014-2017). As of May 2017, she is a Senior Lecturer in Public Policy at Aston University, Birmingham. On 3 July 2017, Anneliese was appointed as a Shadow Treasury Minister by Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn.


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She is the Secretary General of the German Advisory Council on Global Change and Policy Fellow at Das Progressive Zentrum. Her personal fields of interests are new prosperity models with an emphasis on the role of paradigm shifts as strategic leverage points, summarized in her book *The Great Mindshift* (Springer 2016). Maja is a scientist that combines theory with practice and formerly headed the Berlin Office of the Wuppertal Institut. She is a professor at Leuphana University, member of the Club of Rome, the Balaton Group and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network.



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He has been the energy and climate coordinator of the French think tank Terra Nova since 2015 and is also a member of the editorial board. As such, he leads the work of the expert groups and has co-authored a dozen publications on French and European energy and climate policies. Antoine is an ENSTA ParisTech graduated engineer, and holds a Master of Science in Environmental Economics from Imperial College London, as well as a Master of Public Administration from Sciences Po Paris.



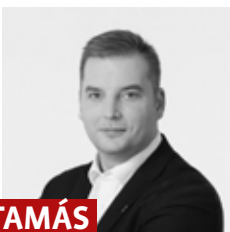
**KAMZY
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She was elected Deputy Mayor of Oslo in 2015. Kamzy has been the leader of the Workers Youth League (AUF) in Oslo, a member of the central board of AUF, and editor of AUF's magazine, *Praksis*. In 2012 and 2013 she was a columnist in the Norwegian national newspapers *Dagbladet* and *Dagsavisen*. Kamzy is committed to political initiatives that strengthen democracy, community involvement and transparency.



**ROBERT
HABECK**

He was elected as chairman of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen in January 2018. Robert was born in Lübeck, studied Philosophy, and worked as an author before he got actively involved in politics. He was Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Energy Transformation in the German State of Schleswig-Holstein from 2012 to 2018). Under his leadership, the Green Party became the third largest group in the Landtag of Schleswig-Holstein after the 2017 state elections. Together with Co-Party Leader Annalena Baerbock, he works to establish the Green Party as a strong national and European progressive alliance for the future.



**TAMÁS
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He is a Hungarian jurist and politician and has been a member of the National Assembly from the Hungarian Socialist Party's Tolna County Regional List since 2010. He was appointed a member of the Defence and Internal Security Committee in May 2010 and Committee on National Security in November 2011. Previously, Tamás was a member of the Constitutional, Judicial and Standing Orders Committee (2010-2011).



**QUENTIN
HART**

He is the first African American elected to the office of Mayor for the City of Waterloo, Iowa. Preceding the election, Quentin was the Associate Director of Multicultural Affairs for Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo, Iowa, providing leadership for multicultural initiatives and promoting awareness and appreciation for diversity on campus and the community. In the eight years preceding his mayoral election, Quentin represented the citizens of Waterloo as Ward 4 Councilman.


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HERMISSON**

He has been Executive Director of the Heinrich Böll Foundation's North America office since 2015. Prior to that, he directed the Böll Foundation's European Union office in Brussels and headed the EU/North America department as well as the department for foreign and security policy at the Böll Foundation's headquarters in Berlin. Bastian's fields of expertise are Foreign and Security Policy, German and European Policy, Energy and Climate Policy.


**REINER
HOFFMANN**

He is President of the German Trade Union Confederation (DGB). After his studies, he worked for the European Community in Brussels and later for the Hans-Böckler-Foundation. He was deputy secretary general of the European Trade Union Confederation (2003-2009) and in 2014 joined the executive board of the German Trade Union Confederation.


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She is a Researcher at betterplace lab in Berlin who holds a degree in Nonprofit Management & Public Governance and Communication Science. She is currently working on demokratie.io, an innovation fund aiming to better understand how digitisation and democracy go together in practice.


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KIM**

She is a Vice President of Domestic Policy at The Progressive Policy Institute (PPI). She has written extensively on a wide range of issues in economic and social policy, with a particular emphasis on economic mobility, poverty, middle class opportunity and the intersection of policy and politics. Anne's writings has appeared in a variety of publications, including the Washington Monthly, Atlantic.com, the Washington Post, the Wall Street Journal, Politico, The American Interest, Democracy, and The Hill. She has also appeared on C-SPAN, CNBC, CNN and Fox and is currently working on a book on youth policy to be published by the New Press.


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