



**14 October 2022**



**9:30 - 11:30 CET**



**ATRIUM**

**Willy-Brandt-Haus**  
Wilhelmstraße 140, 10963 Berlin

# **PROGRESSIVE POLICIES TO END THE ENERGY CRISIS**

Mapping the root causes and effects of the crisis, and exploring immediate, medium and long-term solutions

## ***PROGRAMME***

09:30

**Welcome speech** by *Iratxe GARCÍA-PÉREZ*, S&D President

09:35

**Keynote address and follow up questions**

*Dr Jörg KUKIES*, State Secretary at the Federal Chancellery, Germany

10:10

**Which EU answer to the crisis? From 'whatever it takes' Covid economics to tackling the consequences of war and climate change**

**Introductory remarks and setting the scene:** Results achieved to date and next steps with *Mohammed CHAHIM*, Vice-president of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S&D) in charge of the Green New Deal and horizontal energy-related issues (moderator of the panel)

- Energy companies vs consumers: the winner takes it all? with *Biljana BORZAN*, Vice-president of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S&D) in charge of economy and consumer protection
- The role of the progressive foundations in designing the progressive way for Europe, through and beyond the crisis with *László ANDOR*, FEPS Secretary General
- How is the progressive youth leading the energy revolution? with *Ana PIRTSKHALAVA*, YES Secretary General
- The world before: lessons learnt from the 1970s oil crisis and answers to the current crisis with *Willy CLAES*, former PES President, former NATO Secretary General

Key questions:

> What urgent progressive measures can we apply to survive this winter?

> How can we create synergies between the Fit for 55 targets and the measures to tackle the energy crisis?

> What should be the milestones for future reforms? For instance, how to build strategic autonomy at EU level, including by achieving energy security, whilst protecting the most vulnerable?

10:40

**Protecting citizens: a strong social Europe to end the "cost of living" crisis**

**Introductory remarks:** Results achieved to date and next steps with *Pedro MARQUES*, Vice-president of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S&D) in charge of a strong social and values-based Europe in the world and *Gabriele BISCHOFF*, Vice-president of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S&D) in charge of a Europe based on the rule of law, values, fundamental rights and fair mobility for all (civil liberties, constitutional affairs, petitions, S&D extremism working group and EU mobility issues in employment and social affairs matters)

- EU leading, autonomous and fair: progressive ways of financing with **Rovana PLUMB**, Vice-president of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S&D) in charge of a just transition, cohesion and demography, financing a better and a fairer Europe, budget and budgetary control.
- Energy crisis and just transition: trade union strategies for a way out with **Alexander BERCHT**, Head of General Principles Department, Trade union for mining, chemicals and energy (IG BCE)
- End the cost of living crisis: increase wages, tax profits! with **Stefan GRAN**, Senior advisor, ETUC-
- What it takes to build a social model fit for the 21st century with **Agnes JONGERIUS**, MEP, S&D Coordinator, Committee on Employment and Social Affairs
- The crisis seen from European regions: a case study with **Sandra RAMOS GARCÍA**, PSC-PSOE Spokesperson in the City Hall of Tarragona and Deputy Leader of the PSC in the Federation of Tarragona

Key questions:

- > How can we protect the most vulnerable citizens from the impact of the increasing cost of living? How can the Porto social agenda provide a response?
- > Which EU instruments are necessary to tackle the rising energy prices?
- > How can EU fiscal policy finance all the social measures needed?

11:05

**How “progressive” and far reaching are the progressive policies to end the energy crisis- your main take away from this event?**

*With: PES Activists, IUSY, SD Ukraine TBC, MEPs and Congress delegates*

11:25

**Concluding remarks** by *Pedro MARQUES and Mohammed CHAHIM*, S&D Vice-presidents

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