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8.15			Departure from the hotel (and check out where applicable)	Departures
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9.30 - 11.00		Plenary Session I – What Next For Progressives After the EU elections?		
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16.00 –17.00		Legacy Speech by Pierre Moscovici, European Commissioner 2014 - 2019		
17.00 – 18.30	Arrivals and registration	Plenary Session II – Future of Europe Debate		
18:30 – 19:30		Reception, followed by FEPS AAA Drafting Committee meeting / Interest Group meeting		
19.30	Welcome Dinner			

Locations:

7-8/10 – All items - **Hotel Châtelain**, Rue Châtelain 17, Brussels

9/10 – Breakout sessions in **EU institutions** – please meet the FEPS Team at the lobby of the hotel you will be guided to the respective locations of the EU institutions.

9/10 – Dragons’ Den, FEPS AAA Award Ceremony – **FEPS**, Rue Montoyer 40, 4th Floor, 1000 Brussels

9/10 – Legacy Speech II – **Hotel Sofitel**, Place Jourdan 1, Brussels

2. FULL PROGRAMME

Shaping Progressive Political Priorities for the 2019-2024 EU mandate

Monday, 7th October – Thursday 10th October 2019
Hotel Châtelain – Rue du Châtelain 17, Brussels, Belgium

About FEPS AAA

The **FEPS Annual Autumn Academy (AAA)** has been established by **FEPS – Foundation for European Progressive Studies** in order to connect in an instructive, inspiring debate, politicians and stakeholders of the local, regional, national and the European levels.

The focus of the initiative is to provide participants with crucial insights, knowledge and learning opportunities that derive from being submerged into an intense, multilateral European policy experience powered by FEPS and its network of experts. To that end, in electoral years such as 2019, the FEPS AAA will be an occasion for the participants to interact with the newly elected Members of the European Parliament and political representatives of the European Progressive family from other European Institutions.

Although the 2019 edition is the first one ever, it has become **the largest closed event in the history of FEPS with the proportionally most robust and diverse list of honourable speakers** intervening in a frame of three days. To that end, it is a great kick off of an initiative, which FEPS aspires to pursue, consolidate and extend in the years to come.

The objective of FEPS AAA is threefold:

- To **connect politicians and stakeholders from across the governance levels**, helping to forge mutual understanding, coherence and greater cooperation within the Progressive family across the European Union;
- To **offer an educational opportunity and a training** regarding selected issues, equipping participants with new knowledge about diverse subjects (as also different perspectives); relevant insights from the Brussels-based stakeholders and a European narrative they could use about the subject returning to their respective contexts and countries;
- To **create a greater link among the European Progressives**, enlarging herewith also the network and hereafter potential to (inter)act.

The three building blocks of FEPS AAA are:

- **EU after the elections** and the political panorama of today;
- **Priorities** of the Progressive Family for the 2019-2024 EU mandate;
- Specific **country-case studies**, **EU policy fields** and the **EU institutions**.



DAY 1

MONDAY, 7TH OCTOBER – WELCOME TO FEPS AAA

Afternoon

Arrival of participants | @ Lobby of Hotel Châtelain

Upon arrival the participants will receive a conference pack with a badge that will have on the backside a little card of a Name Bingo. The rules are simple: there are nine questions and you need to find nine people, who answer 'yes' to either of them. The first to present a completed Bingo badge to any FEPS Team Member will be awarded with the first FEPS AAA prize at the end of the evening.

19:30

Welcome dinner | @ Restaurant of Hotel Châtelain

Address by: László ANDOR, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary

Bingo prize awarded by: Brando BENIFEI, MEP S&D Group, PD Head of Delegation in the European Parliament, Italy

DAY 2

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER – MORNING PLENARY

09:30 – 09:40

PLENARY SESSION I | @ Hotel Châtelain, Belmonte plenary room

FEPS AAA Inauguration Speech

Shaping Progressive Political Priorities for the 2019-2024 EU mandate

Maria João RODRIGUES, FEPS President, Portugal

09:40 – 09:50

Methodology, content and expectations of FEPS AAA

Ania SKRZYPEK, FEPS Director of Research and Training, Poland

Maria FREITAS, FEPS Senior Policy Advisor, Portugal

09:50 – 11:00

What Next for Progressives After the EU Elections?

The 2019 European Elections went down in history as a turning point. They signified a voter turnout breakthrough - the highest of the last two decades. In the midst of that, the electoral result by social democrats proved that a positive and determined campaign can make a difference. Progressives returned to the European Parliament (EP) as the second largest group and as a political force ready to claim leadership over the European project in the mandate to come. Nonetheless, many questions are still to be answered with regard to the strategy and possible trajectories that Progressives should pursue to attain and secure a leading position for the next five years.



The presence and manifestation of right wing extremist, anti-European, nationalist as also xenophobic elected members will impact the EP's internal decision-making process(es) as well as the on-going negotiations in view of endorsing the upcoming college of European Commissioners. Some candidates of said College, as well as their portfolio description and assignment, have already raised concerns. Against this backdrop, social democrats can still consider themselves as well positioned in the EU's executive with ten among the twenty-seven Commissioner nominees affiliated to our political family. However, the polarised and fragmented EP and the disregard of the *Spitzenkandidat* process in the aftermath of the EU elections are reasons for which social democrats must remain alert.

Against this backdrop, the opening panel of this year's FEPS AAA will be an opportunity to discuss both the state of play and the perspective forward for European Progressives as also understanding the nature of the developing negotiations and the influence of changing European and national political contexts.

FEPS AAA nominees will also have the chance to interact and discuss with leaders and experts, the priorities and strategy for social democrats in this EU mandate which are already known – as outlined in the letter by Iratxe Garcia Pérez, President of the S&D Group in the EP in reaction to the unfolding of the College of Commissioners as proposed by Ursula Von der Leyen, President-elect of the European Commission. In short, what sort of ideas and policies should Progressives focus on to make a distinctive mark and drive the EU project into a new trajectory, especially, should the announced Conference on the Future of Europe become the long and much awaited, historical milestone?

Moderation:

Ania SKRZYPEK, FEPS Director of Research and Training, Poland

Andreas SCHIEDER, MEP S&D Group, SPÖ Head of Delegation in the European Parliament, Austria

Jávier MORENO, MEP S&D Group, PSOE Head of Delegation in the European Parliament, Spain

Evin INCIR, MEP S&D Group, Sweden

André KROUWEL, Member of FEPS Next Left Group, Professor of Comparative Politics and Communication, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, The Netherlands



**TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER - MORNING BREAK OUT SESSIONS
COUNTRY CASE STUDIES**

11:00 – 12:45

Participants are expected to take part in one of the three available break out sessions.

The case of UK | @ Hotel Châtelain, Almansa room

The June 2016 UK referendum on the country's membership to the European Union (EU) was a turning point in the political history of both Britain and the EU. It became a catalyst of a process that took a turbulent trajectory and has seen unimaginable developments. Among them were incredible numbers in terms of mobilisations, either in favour of staying in the EU or immediately demanding a chance to call a new referendum to decide upon UK's future; a consecutive collapse of two Conservative governments and a deadlock inside the House of Commons, which current Prime Minister Boris Johnson tried to persevere by resorting to the Queen to suspend the Parliament as such; and finally the sinuous detours in negotiations, whereby the initial date of departure of the UK from the EU got rescheduled in order to give both sides a possibility not to simply crush out. Against this backdrop, the results of the last European Elections in the UK – which had to be organised almost ad hoc – impacted both governing and opposition parties alike, as also they signalled uncertainty in the eyes of the British-electorate.

There are many lessons to be learnt from the situation, especially looking at how slogans of 'gaining back control' resonated in generating votes for an outcome where there is less of power of self determination on one hand, and on the other, that the representation of the country on the EU level will be lost – amongst others rights – as also when it comes to the country's representation in the EC for the legislative mandate that has just started. To that end, the support for the remain position that emerged from the recent Labour Party Conference is a crucial and strong signal.

This break out session will focus on providing diverse perspectives to help understanding the complexity of the situation, as also the message that the subsequent referendum and votes sent in the UK and beyond. This country case study will bring about important lessons for the rest of Europe, as also the potential ways forward that could be pursued both in months and years to come.

Moderation: **Ania SKRZYPEK**, FEPS Director of Research and Training, Poland

Insights by: **Theresa GRIFFIN**, MEP S&D Group, UK

László ANDOR, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary

Olivia BAILEY, Deputy Secretary General, Fabian Society, UK



The case of Romania | @ Hotel Châtelain, Coca room

The recent rotating EU Presidency of Romania, and the Presidency itself were marked by a number of political turning points. Discussions regarding Romania's priorities and scene setting at the EU level induced conflicts, both across the parliamentary aisle and inside the government itself. The complexity of the political situation was further enhanced by the stance on the centre left with regard the rule of law in the country – where due to extraordinary developments, and in the midst of the European elections campaign, a difficult decision was taken by the Party of European Socialists (PES) to consider relations with its sister party PSD frozen.

The 2019 June PES Presidency provided a platform of discussion to address the concerns of the political family about the rule of law in Romania. An intensive exchange with the Prime Minister of Romania, acting PSD leader Viorica Dancila followed, who addressed the concerns by the PES and sister parties as it also accepted to the adherence of jointly agreed obligations. This, in turn, has led the PES Presidency to unanimously unfreeze the relations between the political family and its member party, PSD Romania, insisting to keep a frequent and open dialogue between Brussels and Bucharest. With the recent rejection of Rovana Plumb, Romania's Commissioner designate by the EP after an unsuccessful hearing, this country case study breakout session will provide a great opportunity to discuss Romania's political context with experts and FEPS AAA nominees on the ways in which Progressives could surpass these challenges at national and European level.

Moderation: Maria FREITAS, FEPS Senior Policy Advisor, Portugal

Insights by: Victor NEGRESCU, Vice-Rector of the SNSPA, former Romanian EU Affairs Minister and MEP S&D Group, Romania

Ruxandra IVAN, Associate Professor, Political Science Department, University of Bucharest, Romania

Dan LUCA, Senior Director, EURACTIV Media, Romania

Konrad GOŁOTA, CEE Parties' Advisor, Party of European Socialists, Poland

The case of Spain | @ Hotel Châtelain, Mota room

"To Inspire Europe: Insights from the Success Story of Social Democracy in Spain" is the title of the recent study that FEPS, Fundación Pablo Iglesias and Masaryk Democratic Academy published in July 2019. The story that unfolds on the pages of the publication is a careful analysis of the PSOE, including its profound renewal and re-establishment as a governing force, which in past months proved to be a modern party ready to further reform Spain to be better equipped to address the challenges of a rapidly transforming world. To that end, by correlating insights from regional and national levels, this study also serves as a broader explanation how Spain in fact succeeded to return to a bi-partisan system (plus) and how it abated fears on a rampant rise of extremist forces. But while the publication is not yet even a quarter of a year old, recent political developments call for a re-engagement and discussion when it comes to acquiring a better understanding on the framework of the governmental



negotiations and what this means (politically and strategically), and what the future perspectives are – looking at the new general elections that are scheduled to take place in November. This breakout session will be an excellent moment for experts and FEPS AAA nominees to get familiar with the reasons that boosted the PSOE in the three intertwined campaigns in 2019, while analysing the challenges that it now faces, alongside the potential strategies that it may choose to pursue for PSOE's victorious re-emergence this next month.

Moderation: **Elena GIL**, FEPS New Media Advisor, Spain

Insights by: **Adriana MALDONADO LÓPEZ**, MEP S&D Group, Spain
Jorge GALINDO, Sociologist by the University of Ginebra, Columnist and Political Analyst in El País, Spain
Luis PLANAS, Secretary General of PSOE Brussels, Spain

12:45 – 14:00 **LUNCH BREAK** | @ Restaurant of Hotel Châtelain

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER - AFTERNOON BREAK OUT SESSIONS
EU POLICY FIELDS 2019 – 2020

14:00 – 15:30 *Participants are expected to take part in one of the three available breakout sessions.*

From a Social Pillar to a Social Union! | @ Hotel Châtelain, Almansa room
The accomplishment of the European Pillar of Social Rights (EPSR) by social democrats in the last EU mandate represented a great leap forward in terms of socio-economic progress in Europe. But for this framework to make real change in the life of Europeans much more remains to be done. This breakout session will reflect on how to further flesh out the twenty far-reaching principles of the EPSR and what legislative actions social democrats must pursue to deliver in the current EU legislature, tangible measures to boost the EU's disposition towards social outcomes and how to achieve a European Social Union.
The breakout session will have a two-fold dimension: a discussion on potential policy areas that social democrats should focus on, such as expansion of social protection, stabilisation policies, child-oriented measures, gender-unbiased wages, lifelong learning and education initiatives, and a reflection how to realise these.
The ambition of this inclusive and participatory conversation between invited experts and FEPS AAA nominees is to come forward with recommendations on what sort of strategy and political alliances social democrats should pursue to achieve the European Social Union as also which reform wave to prioritise: the deepening of the Economic Monetary Union (EMU) or the European Green Deal.

Moderated by: **David RINALDI**, FEPS Director of Studies and Policy, Italy

Insights: **Agnes JONGERIUS**, MEP S&D Group, PvdA Head of Delegation in the European Parliament, The Netherlands

Sacha GARBEN, Professor European Legal Studies, College of Europe, The Netherlands

Maria JEPSEN, Director of Research, ETUI, and Labour Economics Associate Professor, ULB, Denmark

United for Climate Justice! | @ Hotel Châtelain, Coca room

This breakout session will discuss the most pressing issue of our time: Climate urgency and more specifically, Climate Justice. Defied by the raising societal demand for concrete change, particularly from the youth, social democrats need to address climate urgency with concrete actions and policies. Our experts together with FEPS AAA nominees will engage in an ambitious interactive debate on how to deliver Climate Justice and discuss the ways in which Progressives can raise global awareness in upgrading climate action. It will be an opportunity to showcase some of the policy proposals by FEPS United for Climate Justice Steering Committee, which were recently presented at the fringes of the United Nations General Assembly in New York.

Moderated by: **Céline GUEDES**, FEPS Project Officer, Portugal

Insights: **Pierre LARROUTUROU**, MEP S&D Group, France

Maj JENSEN, Secretary General of Young European Socialists, Denmark

Stephen MINAS, Senior Research Fellow, Transnational Law Institute, King's College London, Australia

#MeToo in Europe: From Social Movement to Social Change: the case of discrimination at the workplace | @ Hotel Châtelain, Mota room

At the core of progressive renewal is the pursuit and attainment of gender equality in our society: a shared vision of social justice and basic human rights for all. Progress in achieving this ambition has however been unacceptably slow and at times uneven.

In light of the above, this breakout session will focus on the topics of gender-based discrimination and violence at the workplace. Invited experts and FEPS AAA nominees will reflect on the ways in which social democrats can best address and reduce discrimination and social imbalances which remain a pervasive problem across the EU and beyond. An integral part of this breakout session will be an interactive discussion and sharing of practical insights on the concrete actions that can help prevent and potentially end gender-based violence and sexual harassment at the workplace.

Additionally, the intention is to explore what sort of policy measures and mobilisation efforts social democrats should pursue to enable access to justice, financial support and expand awareness-raising efforts, and what sort of allies should be brought on to effectively end gender-based discrimination and violence at the workplace.



Moderated by: **Laetitia THISEN**, FEPS Policy Advisor for Gender Equality, Belgium

Insights: **Jackie JONES**, MEP S&D Group, UK
Sylvia ARCOS-SCHMIDT, Prevention of Harassment Trainer, France
Jeanne PONTE, Legal expert and Co-founder of MetooEP, France
Miriam-Lena HORN, Policy Advisor, European Parliament and Co-founder of MetooEP, Germany
Emmanuelle LE TEXIER, HR Head of Unit, S&D Group, France

15:30 – 16:00

COFFEE BREAK | @ Restaurant of Hotel Châtelain

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER – AFTERNOON PLENARY
LEGACY SPEECH – PIERRE MOSCOVICI, EUROPEAN COMMISSIONER 2014 - 2019

16:00 – 17:00

NAVIGATING THE EU ECONOMY (followed by Q&A) | @ Hotel Châtelain, Belmonte plenary room

From fighting against tax evasion to improving the functioning of the European Semester, from completing the banking union to deepening the European Monetary Union (EMU), the responsibilities of Commissioner Moscovici touched upon a wide set of extremely sensitive issues that are at the very foundation of the European integration process. Commissioner Moscovici will present his vision about the achievements of the current European Commission in the economic sphere and reflect about the strategy to attain further reforms to the design and functioning of the EMU and the set up of an action plan to “Re-write the Rules of the European Economy”.

With: **Pierre MOSCOVICI**, European Commissioner Economic and Financial Affairs, Taxation and Customs (2014 – 2019), France

Introduction by: **Maria João RODRIGUES**, FEPS President, Portugal

Moderation and concluding remarks by: **László ANDOR**, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary



TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER - AFTERNOON PLENARY

17:00 – 18:30

PLENARY SESSION II – FUTURE OF EUROPE (followed by Q&A)

| @ Hotel Châtelain, Belmonte plenary room

The results of the 2019 EU elections, the uncertainty of the on-going Brexit negotiations, the consolidation of a new College of European Commissioners with a new approach towards the Commissioners' portfolios and, above all, the continuing challenges that the EU faces and that it has not yet responded to – these are all just a few issues that are framing the entry of the new legislative period 2019 – 2024 and the debate around the *Future of Europe*. Surveys across the continent seem to suggest that the EU citizens' dream about a new kind, more integrated, efficient and responsive Europe. There is a generalised expectation for the EU to protect and upgrade living conditions and working standards. There is a desire for a EU that promotes democracy and equality, that leaves no one behind and where everyone is in a position to seize their dreams and aspire to a better future. On the international dimension, Europe is anticipated to showcase leadership and unity, as also to promote its fundamental values in the global scene: fighting climate change or address the digital revolution. While many claim that the EU does not deliver, it is clear that the answer for Progressives is not to give into this mood – but to contrary, to work harder to make the Union fit for challenges ahead of the current and for future generations.

Against this backdrop, the Progressive family carries a big responsibility, to respond to the people who have taken the streets of European cities – demanding rule of law, demanding the right to choose, demanding climate justice, who may be disenchanted with politics, but who, at the same time, see the remedy not in abstention, but in voting and in participation.

The EU elections results and ensuing negotiations propelled Progressives as the leading force for a transformative European project. Social democrats have secured lead positions that will empower our fight on the sustainability agenda, gender-equality, intra-institutional balance and democracy, development and trade, or financial and economic equity – to name just a few examples. So while the first grand step has been accomplished, a pertinent question is: What next? What can be expected in a short and long term? How can Progressives altogether remain confident and, as Willy Brandt once said, keep on entrusting the hopes that were invested in them – delivering a very much needed change especially for young voters and for women, as also making the once-upon-a-time their core electorates in the EU Member States proud of them again?

These are the guiding questions for this panel, which will build on the previous sessions and debates and that invites speakers and FEPS AAA nominees to jointly reflect on what *Future for Europe* – coming from the point that this *Future starts already now*.

Moderated by: **László ANDOR**, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary

Keynote by: **Iraxte GARCÍA PÉREZ**, President of S&D Group in the European Parliament, Spain

First respondent: **Maria João RODRIGUES**, FEPS President, Portugal

Marije LAFFEBER, Deputy Secretary General, Party of European Socialists, The Netherlands

Michael HOPPE, Secretary General, S&D Group, Germany

Maj JENSEN, Secretary General of Young European Socialists, Denmark

Zefi DIMADAMA, Vice President PES Woman, Deputy Spokesperson of PASOK, Greece

18:30 **RECEPTION** | @ Restaurant of Hotel Châtelain

TUESDAY, 8TH OCTOBER - AFTERNOON
FEPS AAA DRAFTING COMMITTEE MEETING | @ Hotel Châtelain, Media room
FEPS AAA INTEREST GROUP MEETING | @ Hotel Châtelain, Media room

19:00 – 19:45

Each country-case study and each policy field group will nominate a spokesperson to integrate the FEPS AAA Drafting Committee, totalling six group representatives. This Committee will be tasked to draft a common position of the FEPS AAA into three policy proposals. These will be part of a letter by the FEPS AAA nominees and contributors addressed to the President of the European Commission on what should be the political priorities for the 2019-2024 mandate. In addition to this, an interest group representing at least six FEPS AAA participants can be formed as long as it has members from at least four different countries. Should this group be formed it can also present its policy proposal for a vote the next day.

DAY 3
WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER – MORNING BREAK OUT SESSIONS
EU INSTITUTIONS

09:00 – 11:15

Participants are expected to take part in one of the three available break out sessions. An overview and training will be provided with regard to each of the below mentioned EU institutions at their premises.

European Parliament, in cooperation with the S&D Group | @ European Parliament, Rue Wiertz 60, Room ASP3H1 (from 09:00 – 10:30*)

The last European elections have been characterised by a higher degree of dynamism and mobilisation, a larger turn out and a deeper understanding of the European citizens that the outcome of the elections would have a direct impact on their lives. For the first time, it seemed to citizens and policymakers alike that the soul of the European Union was at stake. This reflects that the European debate is getting out of the “Brussels bubble” and that the European public space is getting bigger. But it also means that the newly elected and highly fragmented EP will have to cope not only with divisive issues that remained unsolved in the previous parliamentary term (such as the reform of the asylum system), but also with a paradoxical higher expectations on its ability to deliver on citizens’ expectations and a widespread distrust in European institutions. Against this backdrop which strategy should social democrats pursue in order to push for a European Progressive agenda?

Moderation: Hedwig GIUSTO, FEPS Senior Policy Advisor, Italy

Insights: Bogusław LIBERADZKI, MEP S&D Group, Poland

Raphaël GLUCKSMANN, MEP S&D Group, France

Frazer CLARKE, S&D Group Deputy Secretary General, Ireland

Philipp SCHULMEISTER, Head of Public Opinion Monitoring Unit at the European Parliament, Austria

** (from 10:30 – 11:15 at the end of the European Parliament session, participants are invited by the S&D Group to attend the plenary meeting of the Group in room Anna Lindh (JAN 4Q2)*

European Commission | @ European Commission, Rue de La Loi 200, S7 Room

This breakout session will shed an insiders’ light on the functioning of the European Commission (EC) to FEPS AAA nominees. Beyond the EC’s official role and history, invited experts will give concrete insights into the functioning of the EC at present, and how it may and should evolve in the future.

In addition to this, speakers will address the interplay between EC and Member States’ concerns and also reflect on the new balance in the upcoming EU’s executive: will it be able to deliver on policy announcements for a more social Europe and a European Green Deal?

Moderation: **Justin NOGAREDE**, FEPS Digital Policy Advisor, The Netherlands

Insights: **László**, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary

Jürgen MÜLLER, Head of Cabinet EC Commissioner Karmenu Vella, Germany



European Committee of the Regions, in cooperation with the PES Group

| @ European Committee of the Regions, Rue Belliard 99, Room JDE 70

This breakout session will provide an insight into the European Committee of the Regions (EU CoR). The EU is a diverse polity, rich with different cultures and traditions. At the same time, the EU is often accused of being far-removed from citizens and local concerns. Therefore, it is vital to make sure local and regional concerns are taken into account at EU policy level. This session will look at the ways in which the EU CoR bridges that gap and how cities and regions are working to build a Progressive Europe from the bottom up in an interactive discussion between PES Group EU CoR members and FEPS AAA nominees.

Moderation: **Maria FREITAS**, FEPS Senior Policy Advisor, Portugal

Insights:

Jordi HARRISON, Secretary General, PES Group, Belgium

Harun MUHAREMOVIC, Brøndby City Councillor, Denmark

Sanchia ALASIA, PES Women Executive Member, PES Group, UK

Randel LÄNTS, Member of Viljandi City Council, PES Group, Estonia

- *11:15 – 11:30 At the end of each EU institution breakout session FEPS AAA nominees will reconvene at FEPS for the FEPS AAA award ceremony | @ FEPS offices, Rue Montoyer 40*

WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER – MORNING SESSION DRAGON'S DEN

11:30 – 12:45

FEPS AAA DRAGONS DEN DEBATE | @ FEPS offices, Rue Montoyer 40

The Dragon's Den is an interactive debate method where the three FEPS AAA spokespersons (or interest group representative, if applicable) will present and debate their policy proposals with FEPS Dragons – our selection of the toughest jurors of progressive politics! The entire FEPS AAA will then vote and rank the three proposals in terms of priorities on what they believe should feature the FEPS AAA letter to the President of the European Commission. It's FEPS way of shacking up the debate! The spokesperson with the winning proposal will be awarded with the FEPS Autumn Academy Award.

Moderation: **Maria FREITAS**, FEPS Senior Policy Advisor, Portugal

Anna COLOMBO, SDGs Special Advisor, S&D Group, Italy

Ana **PIRTSKHALAVA**, IUSY Secretary General, Georgia
Liina **CARR**, ETUC Confederal Secretary, Estonia
Delphine **HOUBA**, Brussels City Councillor, Belgium

**WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER – AFTERNOON SESSION
FEPS AAA AWARD**

12:45 - 13:15 **FEPS AAA SUMMARY, FEPS AAA AWARD AND NEXT STEPS** | @ FEPS
offices, Rue Montoyer 40

Maria João RODRIGUES, FEPS President, Portugal
László ANDOR, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary

13:15 – 14:30 **LUNCH BREAK** | @ FEPS offices, Rue Montoyer 40

**WEDNESDAY, 9TH OCTOBER – PLENARY SESSION
LEGACY SPEECH – FEDERICA MOGHERINI, HIGH REPRESENTATIVE 2014 - 2019**

14:45 – 18:00 **PLENARY SESSION III - WALKING THE STRATEGIC TALK: A PROGRESSIVE
EU FOREIGN POLICY AGENDA FOR THE FUTURE** | @ Hotel Sofitel, Place
Jourdan 1

This special event is organised by FEPS in partnership with Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI) as the conclusion of the EU Global Strategy Watch joint project. It will provide the opportunity to reflect about the existing and future design of a Progressive foreign policy agenda. The EU's High Representative Federica Mogherini will deliver a keynote speech on her mandate's main accomplishments, in particular on the EU Global Strategy and the future challenges and opportunities for the EU Foreign Policy featuring in the next EU mandate to come.

14:45 - 15:00 **INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**
László ANDOR, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary

15:00 - 15:15 **PAPER PRESENTATION - 10 POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A EUROPE
THAT WALKS THE STRATEGIC TALK**
Vassilis NTOUSAS, FEPS Senior International Relations Policy Advisor, Greece



15:15 - 16:00

KEYNOTE SPEECH (followed by Q&A)

Federica MOGHERINI, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Vice-President of the European Commission (2014 – 2019), Italy

Moderation: **László ANDOR**, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary

16:00 - 16:15

COFFEE BREAK

16:15 – 18:00

PANEL DISCUSSION - A PROGRESSIVE EU FOREIGN POLICY AGENDA FOR THE FUTURE (followed by Q&A)

Moderation: **Nicoletta PIROZZI**, Head, 'EU, politics and institutions' Programme and Institutional Relations Manager, Istituto Affari Internazionali, Italy

Nathalie TOCCI, Director Istituto Affari Internazionali, Italy

Florence GAUB, Deputy Director, EU Institute for Security Studies, France

Christian LEFFLER, Deputy Secretary General for Economic and Global Issues, EEAS, Sweden

Michael PEEL, European Diplomatic correspondent, The Financial Times, UK

Kati PIRI, Vice-President S&D Group, European Parliament, The Netherlands

DAY 4

THURSDAY, 10TH OCTOBER - DEPARTURES

3. LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

1. **Josh ABEY**, Researcher at the Fabian Society, United Kingdom.
2. **Mirela AHMETOVIĆ**, Mayor of Omišalj Municipality from SDP, Croatia.
3. **Sanchia ALASIA**, PES Women Executive Member and CoR Member, United Kingdom
4. **László ANDOR**, FEPS Secretary General, Hungary.
5. **Sylvia ARCOS-SCHMIDT**, Prevention of Harassment Trainer, France.
6. **Ainara BASCUÑANA**, Head of Office of the President of FEPS, Spain.
7. **Olivia BAILEY**, Deputy Secretary General of Fabians Society, United Kingdom.
8. **Brando BENIFEI**, Member of the European Parliament and Head of the PD Delegation in the S&D Group, Italy.
9. **Kim BERG**, Member of Parliament, SDP, Finland.
10. **Sandris BERGMANIS**, Deputy of Riga City Council and Saskana Member of the Board, Latvia.
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