

PES activists Brussels' suggestions on the Europe in the world

European citizens and people in the world do not always accept the existing approach to globalisation and international affairs. We all witness economic, social, monetary and financial crisis that still happen. Some are less well off, the social exclusion is still present and it affects the whole world. The challenges of hunger, epidemic diseases, natural disasters and armed conflicts have devastating impact on Nature, society and on the well - being of every single one of us. They cause poverty, terrorism and human misfortune.

We, the Socialists and Social Democrats are fighting for better world for everyone. We have learned from our experiences and we are aware of the benefits of sharing the already existing European values. The project of European integration has become an example of how to solve conflicts, to solve problems, to allocate resources, to trade and compete, to allow people to move freely, to settle, to speak up and to be citizens in every country of the Union. The European identity means promoting democracy, solidarity, tolerance and human rights. One fundamental function is to take care of people, and to provide peace and protection. This is what makes Europe so attractive.

Therefore we, the Socialists and Social Democrats will struggle for employing the European identity as the point of departure of the role of the European Union in the world in 21st Century. The Social Democrats and Socialists are proposing a new progressive model of environmental friendly global society based on social inclusiveness, economic solidarity, and win-win for society and business. We are convinced that this is the way to make the international community work for the benefit of all people all around the world.

Therefore we will endeavour to do the following:

- as the history has shown to all of us that the European model is appealing we have to build on the European experience. It is not without reason that countries want to become members and that the people want to join. Therefore

Europe should place the emphasis on the real success story of being peaceful, business-friendly, social and environmental-friendly and drawing from its own positive experience.

The Social democrats want to take the inspiration and use the economic power and the European model as a new standard for the work of international institutions. We do not want to impose anything to others as we are convinced that every nation has the right to decide about its future. That's why we don't want anything more than to make available the best of our historical experience of building united Europe for those who want to use it for their own purposes. Therefore we would like to introduce the new mechanism which would provide the financial and technical assistance for any partners interested in the European model. We will continue to expand the values of cooperation and close integration worldwide and to stand for the multilateral approach in the international relations.

- The developing countries which have contributed the least to the global climate change are already now suffering for a long time the most from its consequences. We think it's the right time to introduce a fairer global redistribution system. That should be based on the fight against poverty and on the principles of sustainability and solidarity between rich and poor. The European Union needs to stand out for introduction of global mechanism for raising the funds needed for the sustainable development of the world. We propose that the EU should seriously think about global emission trading system, fair taxes on the use of natural resources or other form of global taxation.

Europeans have enjoyed long and unparalleled period of peace. We all can be proud of it. Most Europeans now know that they have something to offer. We learned that resources and bad management of resources is the major cause of the conflicts. We have learned how to overcome the resource curse via more close cooperation between people and their representatives. Europeans understood that it's better to share and manage resources rather than to fight for them. We have learned that barrel of oil is not worth of a drop of blood. International framework for management and trade with natural resources under international auspice which takes into account the best available experiences and lessons of past failures.