Yanis Varoufakis and Srećko Horvat nominated to stand in next year’s European elections — in Germany

This weekend, the Assembly of Demokratie in Europa (the new German political party set up jointly by the Democracy in Europe 2025 movement (DiEM25) and Demokratie in Bewegung) will be electing the list of candidates, ten women and ten men, who will contest the European Parliament elections in Germany next May.

In a move of massive symbolic significance, the movement’s all-member vote nominated its co-founders – the leader of DiEM25’s Greek political party MeRA25, Yanis Varoufakis, and Croat philosopher Srećko Horvat – as two of the twenty men and women to contest the European Parliament elections in Germany. Their nomination marks DiEM25’s bid to democratise Europe by uniting progressive Europeans behind the NEW DEAL FOR EUROPE, a common, coherent policy agenda.

Regardless of this decision, Yanis Varoufakis will continue to lead MeRA25 in Greece and will be campaigning across Europe for DiEM25 as a potential ‘Spitzenkandidat’.

The final decision on the twenty candidates of Demokratie in Europawill be taken during the assembly meetings this weekend in Berlin. A press conference will follow the vote, at which Varoufakis and Horvat will address the media together with other candidates. You are invited to attend the press conference – details are below.

Press conference details

The press conference will follow the party’s assembly on Sunday, November 25 at 3pm local time at Colonia Nova, Thiemannstraße 1, Tor 4, Haus 5, 12059 Berlin. If you’re a journalist and would like to explore the possibility of an interview with one of our spokespeople, mail claudia.trapp@bewegung.jetzt and luis.martin@diem25.org.

European Spring

European Spring is Europe’s first transnational electoral list. Initiated by DiEM25 in Napoli on March 10, 2018, it is a broad, democratic, radical europeanist Single Transnational List, based on a single Manifesto (New Deal for Europe) that offers all Europeans a common, green, progressive agenda – and a path toward a democratic European Union. The transnational electoral effort comprises political movements, intellectuals and grassroots activists from every corner of Europe, including France’s Génération-s, Polish political party Razem, Greece’s MeRA25, Denmark’s Alternativet, Portugal’s LIVRE, Spain’s Actúa and many more.

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