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DiEM25 Announces Germany Tour with Yanis Varoufakis to speak for peace in the middle east and justice for the people in Germany

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DiEM25 is thrilled to announce a tour across Germany featuring prominent economist and former Greek Finance Minister, Yanis Varoufakis. The tour aims to speak up for peace in the middle east, justice for the people in Germany and to revitalise and relaunch the MERA25 political party in Germany, as well as boost the signature collection campaign to enable MERA25's participation in the upcoming European Elections.

After taking part in the Berlinale premiere of Raoul Martinez' documentary series *In the Eye of the Storm*, that explores Yanis Varoufakis' life and work, Yanis Varoufakis will head to Munich on February 17th where he will give a speech on behalf of DiEM25 at the end of the protest against the annual NATO Security Conference around 3:30 pm at Marienplatz. Later on that day, Yanis Varoufakis will participate in the session *On the way towards a block-free and peaceful world* at the Peace in Progress panel of the 22nd Peace Conference at the Philosophy Faculty of Munich University at 8pm.

The day after, on February 18th at 5 pm in Frankfurt, MERA25 and DiEM25 in Germany will present the event **How we get our future back**. The event will kick off with a discussion with Yanis Varoufakis and the economist Helge Peukert about Germany's and Europe's political and economic situation, pointing at the possible ways out of the rise of the right wing in the continent, followed by a presentation of Karin de Rigo, the leading MERA25 Germany candidate for the European Elections 2024 together with more activists from our organisation in Germany on how we will take our destiny into our own hands.

Tour Schedule

• February 16th at 7:30 pm, Berlin

Babylon (Rosa-Luxemburg-Str. 30), Berlin



Berlinale Premiere of the biographical documentary on Yanis Varoufakis, In the eye of the storm, by Raoul Martinez, followed by a live Q&A with Yanis Varoufakis and Srećko Horvat

+ Info

February 17th, 3:15 and 8 pm, Munich

3:15 pm, Marienplatz, Munich

Speech at the end of the demonstration against the NATO Security Conference at Marienplatz (final location and time to be confirmed, depending on how the demonstration evolves)

8 pm, Philosophy Faculty of Munich University
Input and discussion at the 22nd peace conference session On the way
towards a block-free and peaceful world of the Peace in Progress panel
+Info

18th, 5pm, Gallus Theater (Kleyerstr. 15, Frankfurt)
 How we get our future back

Event with Yanis Varoufakis organised by MERA25 and DiEM25 in Germany +Info and reservations

Journalists are kindly requested to reserve a place till February 15th at 5pm, please write to Nadia Sales Grade: nadia.grade@diem25.org

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Note to Editors

Karin De Rigo

Karin De Rigo joined DiEM25 more than a year ago, working as coordinator of the local group in Berlin. She is a buyer and has worked for years in the world of retail online and offline. Born and raised in Italy, she studied languages and economy in Milan and has then lived in Switzerland and now in Germany. Her areas of interest are philosophy, sustainability with focus on fashion and politics.



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Karin De Rigo

Karin De Rigo hat vor mehr als einem Jahr DiEM25 beigetreten und arbeitet als Koordinatorin der lokalen Gruppe in Berlin. Sie ist Einkäuferin und hat eine lange Erfahrung in der Welt des Online- und Offline-Einzelhandels. Geboren und aufgewachsen in Italien, studierte sie Sprachen und Wirtschaft in Mailand und hat zuerst in der Schweiz und jetzt in Deutschland gewohnt. Ihre Interessengebiete sind Philosophie, Politik und Nachhaltigkeit mit Schwerpunkt Mode.

Yanis Varoufakis is a Greek economist, author and politician. He served as the Greek Minister of Finance from January to July 2015, where he led negotiations with Greece's creditors. He tendered his resignation when he found out that the government intended to sign the EU memorandum, despite a countrywide referendum in which the Greeks voted overwhelmingly against it. In 2016 he co-founded DiEM25 and is the Secretary General of MeRA25, DiEM25's political party in Greece. Yanis Varoufakis just released the book "Technofeudalism, What Killed Capitalism" (Ed. Penguin Books, interviews available at The Guardian and The Times UK).

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