PRESS INVITATION

MERA25 Germany launches European election campaign in Berlin: "Peace, Solidarity, Freedom: Our Campaign for Europe"

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MERA25 Germany is running for the European elections under the motto "Peace, Solidarity and Freedom" and cordially invites journalists to the launch event of the election campaign on Friday, 17 May 2024, at the Oyoun Cultural Center in Berlin.

The event will focus on MERA25’s vision for Europe and journalists will have the opportunity to speak with MERA25’s European election candidates, including lead candidate Karin De Rigo, Johannes Fehr and others.

The event offers a diverse programme: opening speeches by Yanis Varoufakis and the MERA25 candidates in Germany, thematic workshops on important topics such as freedom of expression, the abolition of Frontex and the recovery of the commons. Finally, there will be a panel discussion entitled "Interconnected Struggles", focusing on the ongoing genocide in Gaza and the critical future of Europe. Participants on the panel include MERA25 candidates, Iris Hefets from the organisation Jewish Voice for Just Peace in the Middle East and Palestinian lawyer Nadija Samour.

We ask all interested journalists to register by replying to this email and using the press contact information below, as we only have limited slots for interviews with our MERA25 candidates. Registered journalists will receive a 45-minute press conference slot in a follow-up email.

Please note that only registered journalists will be granted access to the press conference.

Event details:

- Date: Friday, 17 May 2024
- Time: Admission from 16:15; event starts at 17:00, ends at 21:00, followed by a get-together.
- Location: Oyoun Cultural Centre, Lucy Lameck St. 32, 12049 Berlin

Schedule:
● **15:00**: Press Conference  
● **16:15**: Admission  
● **17:00 - 17:20**: Opening speeches by the MERA25 candidates.  
● **17:20 - 17:45**: Keynote speech by Yanis Varoufakis  
● **17:45 - 19:15**: Thematic workshops (freedom of expression, migration policy, recovery of the commons).  
● **19:45 - 21:00**: Panel discussion: Interconnected Struggles.

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