

## INTRODUCTION

The failure of neoliberal economic and ideological model has resulted in the greatest economic and social crisis of recent decades. Crisis that in our case it acquires its own meaning, marking the end of Spanish capitalism cycle resulting from the transition. End of cycle of a dominant accumulation model in our country and the political and institutional superstructure heir of the post-Franco.

At European level, the failure of the Lisbon Strategy 2000-2010 is evident. The pursuit of economic integration of the EU in the world market through a commitment to science policy, has given way to a competitive strategy based on dismantling the welfare state.

Despite its failure, neoliberalism and its political expressions im pose a solution to the crisis over the implementation of adjustment programs aimed at overcoming the problems of accumulation, by strong social cuts, deepening insecurity labor and the oligarchic character of our political system.

From the above it is clear government policy for the scientific and academic under the leadership of private initiative and support more dependent transnationalization of the Spanish economy, through the devaluation of skilled labor, the perpetuation of the precarious condition of young researcher, budget cuts, a science policy in favor of markets, advancing and retreating commercialization of university autonomy.

Adjustment programs that are linked to a questioning of the social conception of science and the university as an instrument of progress and equality, and its replacement by a narrow view of scientific work and the role of universities as mere tools for the private capital, perpetuating a political and productive system already exhausted.

Public service or commercialization, this is the root of the alternatives in dispute in the context of science and the university. Dispute that requires the active involvement of scientists, researchers and teachers in a long-range serious debate and, with the world of work, students and social movements in favor of a social alternative to the crisis.

From the **Marxist Research Foundation (FIM)**, and in collaboration with the **European Left Party**, we want to open a permanent space for debate from the left transformative and Marxism, which, like a seminar, approaches the crisis of science and University in Spain and Europe.

## Saturday November 26

**16:00 Opening.** Greetings from the organizers and contributors to the participants.

**Daniel Lacalle** (Director of Marxist Research Foundation, FIM)

**Maite Mola** (Vice-President of the European Left Party)

**Carmen Dominguez** (Professor and Researcher of the UCM)

## 16:15 TABLE 1. A MATERIALIST ANALYSIS OF THE UNIVERSITY

### SOCIAL ROLE

**Carlos Berzosa** (Professor of Applied Economics and Former Rector of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid-UCM)

**Enrique Javier Díez** (Professor at the Faculty of Education at the University of León)

**Walter Baier** (Transform! coordinator)

Moderator: **Carmen Dominguez Godínez** (Professor and Researcher of the Universidad Complutense de Madrid-UCM, Marxist Research Foundation, FIM)

17:45 Break

## 18:00 TABLE 2. THE CRISIS OF THE PUBLIC UNIVERSITY, SOCIAL CUTS AND UNIVERSITY STRATEGY 2015

**Josep Ferrer i Llop** (Professor of Applied Mathematics and Former Rector of the Universidad Politècnica de Catalunya)  
**Manuel Marín Llanusa** (Professor of Mathematical Foundations of Aeronautical Technology Universidad Politècnica de Madrid-UPM)

**Aspasia Velissariou** (Professor of English Literature and Culture at the University of Athens. Vice-President of the Foundation Nikos Poulantzas)

**Ciraso Miranda** (Head of Education PCF)  
**Jorge Lucena Pérez** (Union of Communist Youth of Spain)  
Moderator: **Lotes Dolz** (Federal Education Area Izquierda Unida, IU)

## Sunday November 27

## 10:00 TABLE 3. MARXISM AND DISCUSSION ABOUT SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY

**Carlos Paris** (Professor Emeritus of Philosophy at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, UAM)

**Pablo Huetga** (Professor of Philosophy at Secondary School)  
Moderator: **Victor Jose Gomera** (Students Sector, Union of Communist Youth of Spain, UJCE)

11:45 'Amazings' Break.

## 12:00 TABLE 4. SCIENCE POLICY IN SPAIN: CRITICISM OF THE NEW LAW OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

**Emilio Criado** (staff scientist at the Institute of Ceramics and Glass, CSIC)

**Salce Elvira** (Secretary of R&D+i of the CCOO)

**Eyben Pierre** (Professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of Liege)

**Pedro Marsset** (Professor of History of Medicine at the University of Murcia)

**Lara Manyes i Font** (Researcher, Cancer Research Center, University of Salamanca)

Moderator: **Carlos Velasco** (predoctoral researcher at the University of Sevilla)

14:00 Closure of meeting

## Conduct of meetings

The sessions will take place in the Auditorium of the Centro 'Abogados de Atocha' de CCOO  
Calle Sebastián Herrera, 12-14 • Madrid

The development of the event is free admission.

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