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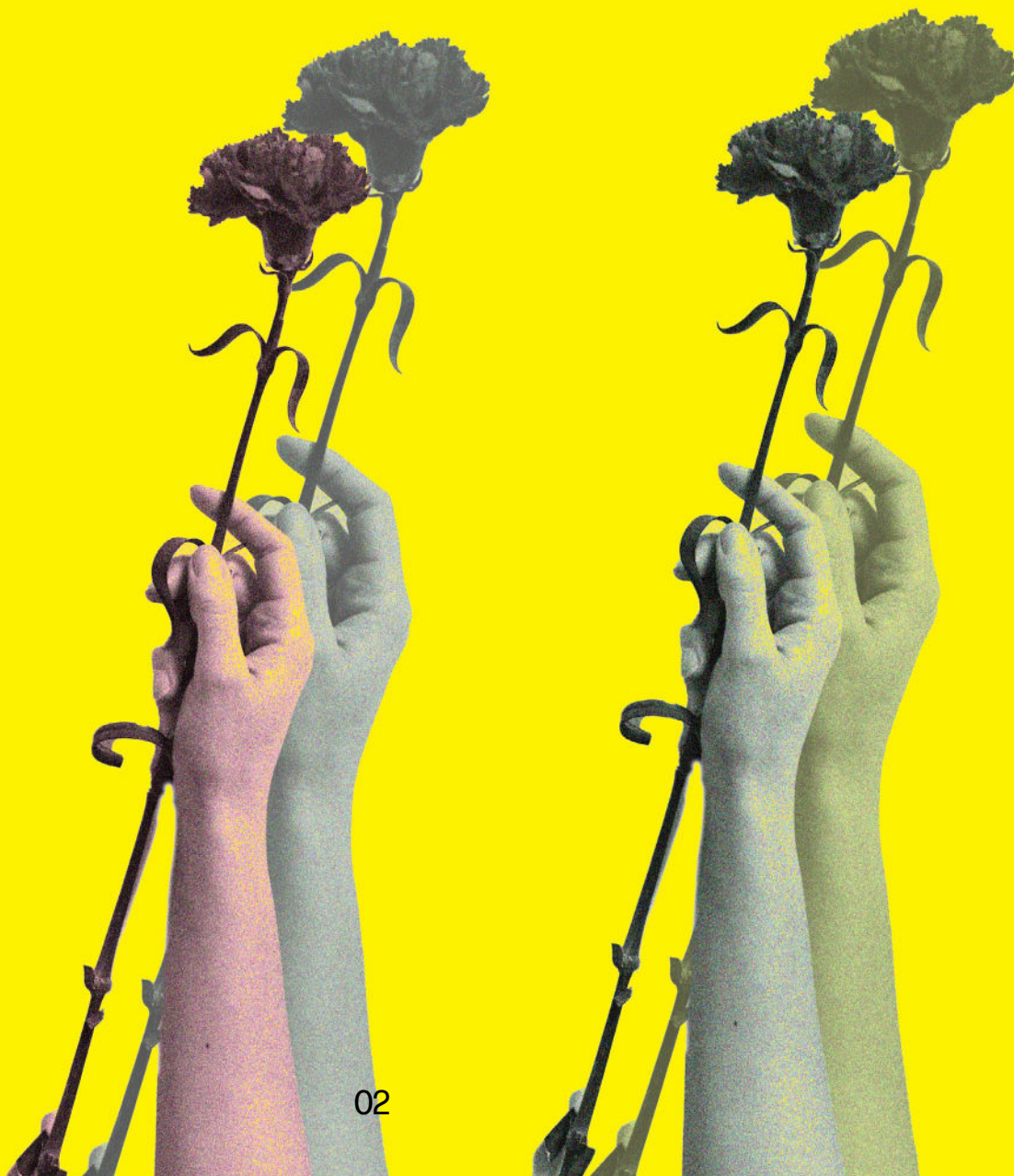
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**PROGRAM
FRIDAY 19
SATURDAY 20
SUNDAY 21
APRIL
2024**





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Defeating the Far Right: building the alternative

Venue: **ISCTE - INSTITUTO UNIVERSITÁRIO DE LISBOA**

Av. das Forças Armadas, 1649-026 Lisboa, Portugal

Third international conference, organising against the far right.

A joint production with the European Left (EL), transform!europe, and Bloco de Esquerda (BE)

The context for this conference is the 50th anniversary of the Portuguese revolution.

The political significance of the revolution and its victories will provide the political backdrop for the conference to analyse, educate and organise against the continuing rise of the far right internationally and its evolving ideology and practice, bringing together experts and activists for maximum impact.

FRIDAY 19 APRIL 2024

21h - 23h

Musical performance

Concert of songs from April 25 by Catarina Valadas, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Carnation Revolution in Portugal. Speeches by Bloco de Esquerda and the European Left.

CASA DO ALENTEJO
(R. DAS PORTAS DE SANTO ANTÃO 58,
1150-268 LISBOA)





VENUE: ISCTE - INSTITUTO UNIVERSITÁRIO DE LISBOA
AV. DAS FORÇAS ARMADAS, 1649-026 LISBOA, PORTUGAL

SATURDAY 20 APRIL 2024

10.00 WELCOME AND REGISTRATION.

**10.30 - 12:30 - OPENING PLENARY:
NATIONALISM, RACISM, AND WAR:
THE FAR RIGHT ON THE GLOBAL
OFFENSIVE**

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EN - ES - PT

INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

FABIAN FIGUEIREDO, CO-COORDINATOR OF EL FIGHTING THE FAR
RIGHT WORKING GROUP (WG), BLOCO DE ESQUERDA

SPEAKERS

DIMA MOHAMMED, PALESTINIAN PORTUGUESE ACADEMIC AND
ACTIVIST

LUIS FAZENDA, BLOCO DE ESQUERDA AND EL POLITICAL
SECRETARIAT

ELEONORA FORENZA, RIFONDAZIONE COMUNISTA AND EL
POLITICAL SECRETARIAT

DAVID ADLER, CO-GENERAL COORDINATOR OF PROGRESSIVE
INTERNATIONAL

VIDEO : **LUCIA CAVALLERO**, REPRESENTATIVE NI UNA MENOS,
ARGENTINA

12.30 – 13.30

LUNCH BREAK

13.30-15.00 WORKSHOPS FIRST ROUND

WORKSHOP 1/ RISING FAR-RIGHT POLITICAL VIOLENCE

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EN

INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

CORNELIA HILDEBRANDT, CO-PRESIDENT OF TRANSFORM!EUROPE, GERMANY

SPEAKERS

ADAM MARKUS, KPÖ, EL FIGHTING THE FAR RIGHT WG, AUSTRIA

NEREA FERNANDEZ CORDERO, IZQUIERDA UNIDA, MEMBER OF REGIONAL PARLIAMENT OF EXTREMADURA AND EL EXECUTIVE BOARD, SPANISH STATE

WORKSHOP 2/THE ANTI-FEMINIST AGENDA OF THE FAR-RIGHT

ROOM ILARIA SALIS
EN

INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

CECÍLIA HONÓRIO, TEACHER, RESEARCHER, FORMER MP OF BLOCO DE ESQUERDA

SPEAKERS

GABRIELE MICHALITSCH, PHD, STUDIED POLITICAL SCIENCE, PHILOSOPHY, AND JOURNALISM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIENNA AND ECONOMICS AT THE VIENNA UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS

SAMARA AZEVEDO, FEMINIST AND ANTI-FASCIST ACTIVIST, PHD STUDENT AT THE FACULTY OF ARTS OF LISBON, MEMBER OF COLECTIVO ANDORINHA - FRENTE DEMOCRÁTICA BRASILEIRA DE LISBOA, BRASIL



WORKSHOP 3/INSTRUMENTALIZING MIGRATION, DEHUMANIZING MIGRANTS: HOW TO CHANGE THE NARRATIVE

ROOM PAVLOS FYSSAS
EN

INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

SANDRA BERNAD, IZQUIERDA UNIDA AND CO-COORDINATOR OF
THE EUROPEAN LEFT YOUTH NETWORK (ELYN), SPANISH STATE

SPEAKERS

ORESTIS MATSAS, PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATE, HOUSE OF REP-
RESENTATIVES, CYPRUS

SEEMA SYEDA, HEAD OF COMMUNICATIONS AT EUROPEAN ALTER-
NATIVES AND CAMPAIGNER AT ANOTHER EUROPE IS POSSIBLE, UK

ANABELA RODRIGUES, BLOCO DE ESQUERDA MEP, LEADER OF
SOLIDARIEDADE IMIGRANTE, GTO-LX THEATER GROUP

WORKSHOP 4/HISTORICAL REVISIONISM: SANITIZING THE FAR RIGHT THROUGH FALSIFYING THE PAST

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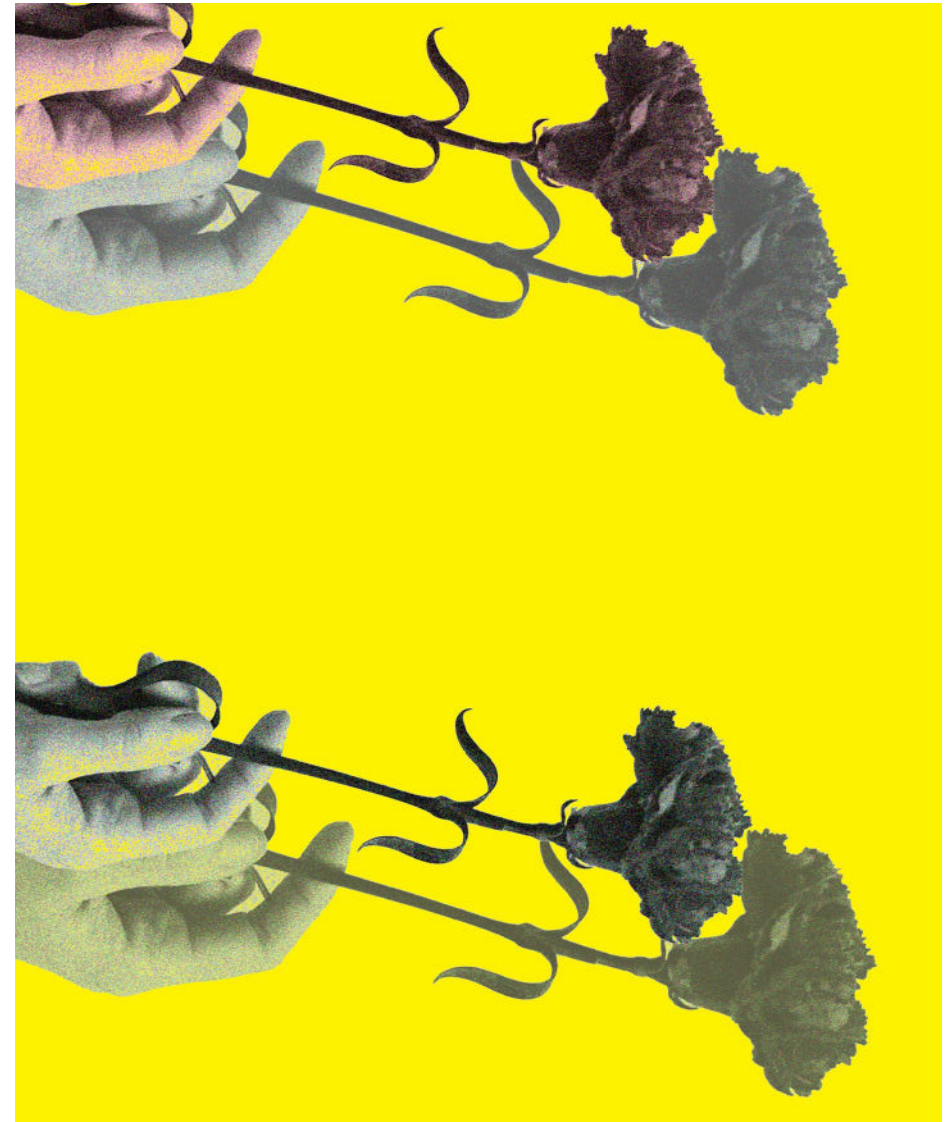
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RITA SCAPINELLI, RIFONDAZIONE COMUNISTA, EL FIGHTING THE
FAR RIGHT WG, ITALY

SPEAKERS

JUDITH SOMI, RETIRED TEACHER OF RUSSIAN AND HISTORY,
HUNGARY

DESPINA SINOUE, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC LAW, VICE-
DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF LAW, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES,
SORBONNE PARIS NORD UNIVERSITY, SYRIZA, GREECE



30 min

COFFEE BREAK

15.30 - 17 - WORKSHOPS SECOND ROUND

WORKSHOP 1/HOW THE FAR RIGHT GETS THE WORKING-CLASS VOTE

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INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

LIBAN SHEIKH, LEFT ALLIANCE COUNCILLOR AND TRADE UNION EXPERT, FINLAND

SPEAKERS

ANAIS FLEY, TRANSFORM!EUROPE FACILITATOR OF THE PROGRAM STRATEGIES AGAINST THE FAR-RIGHT, FRANCE

DAVID BRODER, EUROPE EDITOR AT JACOBIN MAGAZINE AND AN EDITOR AT THE TRANSFORM! JOURNAL

WORKSHOP 2/HOW THE FAR RIGHT ORGANIZES INTERNATIONALLY

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INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

MAITE MOLA, RESPONSIBLE OF THE EL INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, SPANISH STATE

SPEAKERS

DAVID ADLER CO-GENERAL COORDINATOR OF THE PROGRESSIVE INTERNATIONAL,

LUCAS AUGUSTO DA SILVA, PHD STUDENT IN "DISCOURSES: CULTURE, HISTORY AND SOCIETY" (CENTRE OF SOCIAL STUDIES/ UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA) | FELLOWSHIP HOLDER (MUSEOLOGY AND CEIED/UNIVERSITY LUSÓFONA) | MEMBER OF THE COLETIVO ANDORINHA, BRASIL

WORKSHOP 3/WHO ARE THE NEW FAR RIGHT AND WHO IS PAYING THE BILLS

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EN

INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

REBECA MOORE, INTERSECTIONAL FEMINIST ACTIVIST, BLOCO DE
ESQUERDA

SPEAKERS

BJØRN IHLER, ANTIFASCIST EUROPE

OLIVIER GOESSENS, RESEARCH DEPARTMENT OF THE WORKERS
PARTY OF BELGIUM (PTB/PVDA) AND ADVISORY BOARD OF LAVA

30 MIN BREAK



17.30 - 19.00 CLOSING PLENARY

DEFEATING THE FAR RIGHT - BUILDING THE POLITICAL ALTERNATIVE

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INTRODUCTION AND MODERATION

CLAUDIA HAYDT, EL VICE PRESIDENT

SPEAKERS

MARIANA MORTÁGUA, NATIONAL COORDINATOR OF BLOCO DE ESQUERDA

DANAI KOLTSIDA, CO-VICE PRESIDENT OF TRANSFORM!EUROPE NETWORK

MIGUEL DUARTE, HUMAN BEFORE BORDERS

CATARINA MARTINS, HEAD OF BLOCO DE ESQUERDA'S LIST FOR THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

WALTER BAIER, EL PRESIDENT AND SPITZENKANDIDAT

20:30 DINNER

DANCING NIGHT

B.LEZA (CAIS GÁS 1, 1200-161 LISBOA)

B.LEZA IS A DANCE NIGHTCLUB THAT IS CONSIDERED A SPACE FOR CULTURAL INTERVENTION IN LISBON.

ADMISSION IS FREE FROM 22:30 UNTIL 01:00. FOR THOSE REGISTERED FOR THE NO PASARAN CONFERENCE.



SUNDAY 21 APRIL 2024

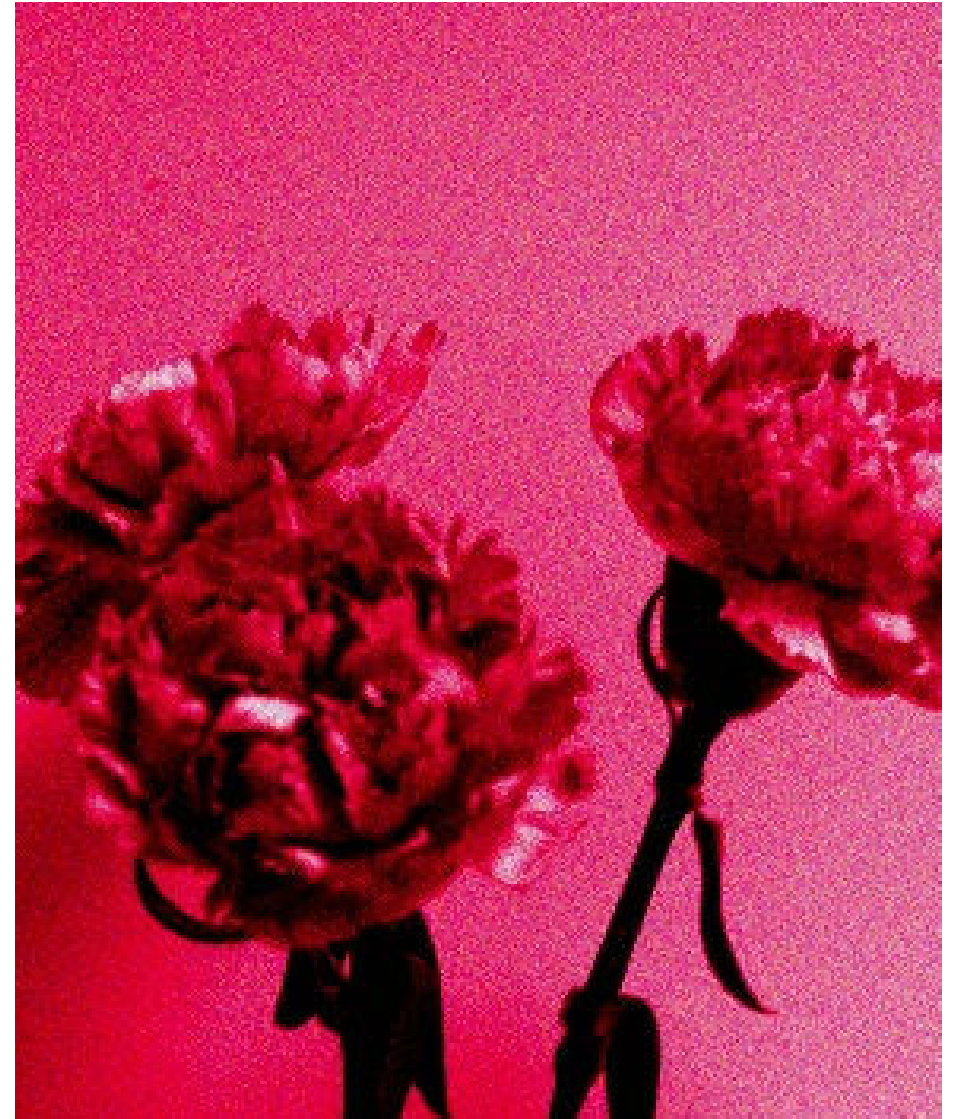
11H00 - 12H00:
GUIDED TOUR TO THE ALJUBE MUSEUM OF
RESISTANCE AND FREEDOM

The Museum is dedicated to the history and memory of the fight against the Portuguese dictatorship and colonialism and the recognition of resistance in favor of freedom and democracy.

**MEETING POINT: 11H - MUSEU DO ALJUBE
(RUA AUGUSTO ROSA 42, LISBOA)**



BIOGRAPHIES



OPENING PLENARY

FABIAN FIGUEIREDO, CO COORDINADOR OF THE EUROPEAN LEFT FIGHTING THE FAR RIGHT WORKING GROUP

Sociologist, parliamentary leader of the Bloco de Esquerda in the Portuguese parliament and co-coordinator of the European Left Fighting the Far Right Working Group.

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DIMA MOHAMMED, PALESTINIAN PORTUGUESE ACADEMIC AND ACTIVIST.

Her academic work is in the area of political argumentation, at the intersection between philosophy, language and politics. She is a founding member of the Plataforma Unitária de Solidariedade com a Palestina, a platform for individuals and collectives from the Portuguese civil society whose main objective is to promote actions of solidarity with Palestine. Her speech will concentrate on Zionism, fascism, and Palestine in the world
[@dimamohammed_](#) (X), [@reflexionati](#) (IG).

LUIS FAZENDA : BLOCO DE ESQUERDA AND EL POLITICAL SECRETARIAT

Member of the Popular Assembly of Lisbon in 75. Co-Founder of Bloco de Esquerda. Former Vice-President of Portuguese Parliament. Member of Bloco de Esquerda's secretariat.

ELEONORA FORENZA: RIFONDAZIONE COMUNISTA AND EL POLITICAL SECRETARIAT

Member of the European Parliament from 2014 to 2019 and initiator of the Resolution adopted by the European Parliament The rise of neo-fascist violence in Europe. In 2018, after a squadrist attack she suffered in Bari, she denounced some members of the neo-fascist organisation Casapound, currently on trial also for reconstituting the fascist party.

She has carried out university research, first achieving a Phd in Italianistics, then one in Women's History, and working on Gramscian studies. She is actually on the board of the International Gramsci Society.

She currently teaches history and literature in a high school in Rome.

She is active in feminist movements, is part of the political secretariat of the Party of the European Left and of the national leadership of the Communist Refoundation Party.

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DAVID ADLER: POLITICAL ECONOMIST AND THE CO-GENERAL COORDINATOR OF THE PROGRESSIVE INTERNATIONAL.

Political economist and the Co-General Coordinator of the Progressive International. Previously, he was Political Director of the Democracy in Europe Movement (DiEM25) alongside Yanis Varoufakis, and Foreign Policy Advisor to US Senator Bernie Sanders in the 2020 presidential campaign. He writes an international affairs column for The Guardian newspaper. His speech will be The New Cold War Has Already Begun.

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WORKSHOP 1.1

CORNELIA HILDEBRANDT, CO-PRESIDENT OF TRANSFORM! EUROPE

Co-President of transform! europe together with Marga Ferré, Europe of Citizens Foundation (FEC, Spain) since September 2020. transform! europe is the independent foundation of the European Left Party (EL). She is a graduate philosopher and has been a research associate for parties and social movements as well as for questions of ideological dialog at the Center for Social Analysis and Political Education of the RLS for many years. Her current lecture topics include the development of left-wing parties in Europe, the changes in the political balance of power in Europe and, in particular, the development of right-wing parties. She works on strategies of left-wing parties and movements inside and outside parliaments under the conditions of social upheaval.

ADAM MARKUS, KPO AUSTRIA AND MEMBER OF THE EL FIGHTING THE FAR RIGHT WG

Austrian historian/social worker with ties to Eastern Europe. His parents were refugees from Romania and belong to the Hungarian minority. He grew up in a working class and migrant district of Vienna, made one year of civil service in the former Nazi- German Ghetto of Theresienstadt (CZ), studied history and wrote his master thesis about the history of Hungarian nationalism. Since being a historian seldomly feeds a family Adam Markus started to work first as a teacher, then with refugees, young refugees, and with homeless people. He earned another masters degree in social- economy and social work. Currently he works in an organisation where he provides homeless people with apartments. Besides family and work, Adam Markus teaches at several Austrian teacher training colleges. The focus of his work is the Middle East, radicalization, political Islam, local history or homelessness in Vienna. He will speak about the Right wing radicalism and its influence in Central/Eastern Europe.

NEREA FERNANDEZ CORDERO, IU MEMBER OF LOCAL PARLIAMENT AND EL EXECUTIVE BOARD (IU REGIONAL MP OF EXTREMADURA (SPAIN) AND EL EXECUTIVE BOARD)

A special needs assistant living in Ireland for almost 9 years, involved in the Irish antifascist movement, as well as feminist, migrant and housing movements. Was Coordinator of IU Exterior (Abroad) for 2 years. Appointed as IU candidate in her homeland.



WORKSHOP 1.2

CECÍLIA HONÓRIO, MEMBER OF THE PORTUGUESE OBSERVATORY OF THE FAR-RIGHT

Member of the Portuguese Observatory of the Far-Right and one of the coordinators of the book *Old and New Far rights* (Novas e Velhas Extremas-Direitas, Edições Parsifal, 2021). She is a former Bloco de Esquerda MP and holds a PhD in History of Political Ideas (FCSH - Nova University of Lisbon).

GABRIELE MICHALITSCH, PhD

Studied political science, philosophy, and journalism at the University of Vienna and economics at the Vienna University of Economics and Business

SAMARA AZEVEDO

Feminist and anti-fascist activist, PhD student at the Faculty of Arts of Lisbon, member of Colectivo Andorinha - Frente Democrática Brasileira de Lisboa, Brasil

WORKSHOP 1.3

SANDRA BERNARD, CO-COORDINATOR OF THE EUROPEAN LEFT YOUTH NETWORK

Izquierda Unida activist in Spain. Co-Coordinator of the European Left Youth Network. Political scientist, specialised in political communication. With experience in the world of local administration, having been a councillor in the City Council for 7 years. Currently working in the Cabinet of the Minister of Youth and Children of the Government of Spain as head of digital strategy.

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ORESTIS MATSAS, ALLIANCE AGAINST FAR RIGHT, FASCISM AND RACISM - CYPRUS

Completed his undergraduate studies at the School of Mechanical Engineering of the National Technical University of Athens. He is currently pursuing his PhD at the University of Cyprus, in the Department of Environmental Engineering, in the field of energy transition of Cyprus. He also works as a Parliamentary Associate at the House of Representatives, where he is mainly involved in environmental and human rights issues. He is a member of the coordination committee of the "Coalition Against Far Right, Fascism and Racism" and a member of the coordination group of the "Far Right Watch Cyprus" which is a citizens' initiative. He is also environmentally, socially and politically active at various levels.

SEEMA SYEDA, HEAD OF COMMUNICATIONS AT EUROPEAN ALTERNATIVES AND A CAMPAIGNER AT ANOTHER EUROPE IS POSSIBLE

Head of Communications at European Alternatives and a campaigner at "Another Europe Is Possible", where she organises a transnational anti-Islamophobia campaign. She has co-authored a number of reports on Islamophobia in Europe as well as the book "Creeping fascism: what it is and how to fight it." She is interested in migrant and global majority-led organising to end racial capitalism, focusing on dismantling the colonial structures that uphold continued global injustice, ending labour and resource extraction and organising for democratic economies. She is based in Marseille and London. She will speak about dismantling colonial border regimes through global majority-led organising.

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Another Europe is Possible (@anothereuropespossible)

WORKSHOP 1.4

RITA SCAPINELLI, RIFONDAZIONE COMUNISTA AND MEMBER OF THE EL FIGHTING THE FAR RIGHT WG

A retired teacher, and a member of the National Secretariat and National Antifascist Leader of the Communist Refoundation Party of Italy. She has a long experience in local institutions: first she was Councilor for Education and Deputy Mayor in her town of residence, then she continued her experience as a municipal Councilor for more than 20 years, also serving on the National Council of Anci (National Association of Italian Municipalities). She was President of the Provincial Council of the Province of Mantua for five years. On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the Resistance and Liberation, she chaired a provincial committee made up of all the mayors of the province, historians, Anpi and CGIL, representatives of the Curia and the Jewish world, which worked for three years to publish books and organize events to commemorate the Resistance. Committed in recent years to the themes of anti-fascism, she has organized several national initiatives and collaborated on writing a book on fascism, neo-fascism and anti-fascism.

JUDIT SOMI, RETIRED TEACHER OF RUSSIAN AND HISTORY, HUNGARY

Retired teacher of Russian and history. After the political change in Hungary, she lost her job because of a strike, so she went to Belgium. There she lived for more than 20 years. Some years ago she returned to Hungary. In Belgium she is still a member of PC and PTB, in Hungary a member of Munkàspàrt -Európai Bal - and of course being a Trotskyist member of the Fourth International/ CORQI. For several years she has been working daily with Roma workers in Ozd.

DESPINA SINOU, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PUBLIC LAW, VICE-DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF LAW, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL SCIENCES, SORBONNE PARIS NORD UNIVERSITY, SYRIZA (GREECE).

Senior Lecturer in Public Law, Vice-Dean for International and Institutional Relations and Director of the Master in International Cooperation and NGOs at the Faculty of Law, Political and Social Sciences, Sorbonne Paris Nord University (France). A Greek and French national, she is a member of the SYRIZA-Progressive Alliance party (Greece) and a member of the secretariat of the Foreign Policy and International Relations Section.

In this capacity, she participates in the work of the Working Group on the Fight against the Extreme Right of the Party of the European Left. From 2021 to 2023, she was a member of the advisory think tank of the former president of SYRIZA and former prime minister

Alexis Tsipras. She holds a doctorate in law from the Université Paris-Panthéon-Assas, with a thesis on L'Union européenne, acteur du droit international des droits de l'homme, which was awarded the Prix Georges Ténékidès in 2009. She was a postdoctoral researcher at the Université de Cergy-Pontoise and the University of Athens, working on Les nouvelles normativités en Europe and Les déplacés environnementaux par suite de catastrophes naturelles respectively.

She is an independent expert for the Council of Europe and the European Union, with field experience in human rights education (missions to Turkey, Russia, Belarus, Chechnya, Colombia, Argentina, etc.). She has also worked as a scientific collaborator for the International Labour Organisation, UNESCO and the Commission nationale consultative des droits de l'homme (France). From 2013 to 2019, she was coordinator of the French-speaking sections of the Academic Network on the European Social Charter and Social Rights (RACSE), of which she is a founding member. She is Vice-President (elected) of the Hellenic Society of International Law and Relations and a member of the French Society for International Law.

Her teaching and research work - with over 60 scientific publications - focuses on international law and politics, human rights and humanitarian issues, the social impacts of climate change, the legal and political dimension of the 'commons', new forms of participatory democracy, and the role of academics in defending

human rights and social justice. She is also a regular contributor to the Greek press on current political and social issues. She will speak about Historical revisionism in Greece and the persistence of Memory.

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WORKSHOP 2.1

LIBAN SHEIKH, LEFT ALLIANCE COUNCILLOR AND TRADE UNION EXPERT, FINLAND

Left Alliance councillor and trade union expert based in Tampere, Finland. Liban has been active in student and youth politics and is a former president of the Left Youth of Finland (2020-2021). Liban was selected as an emerging young leader for the Obama Foundation Leaders: Europe Programme 2020. Liban's speciality is working towards more anti-racist and poverty-free communities.

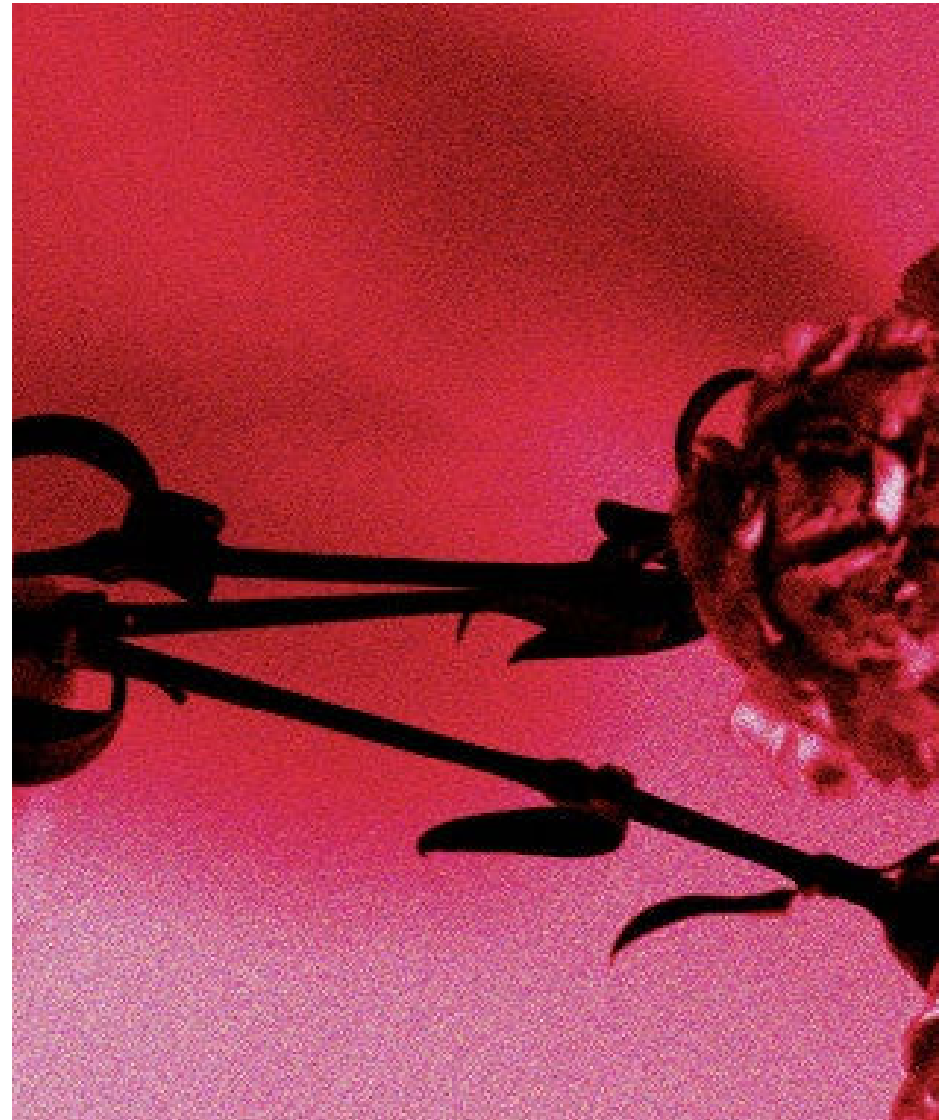
ANAÏS FLEY, TRANSFORM! EUROPE FACILITATOR OF THE PROGRAM STRATEGIES AGAINST THE FAR-RIGHT

Feminist and communist activist based in Paris who co-animates a French independent media, Nos Révolutions. She studied political sciences at the University of Nanterre, where she began militant activities as a student. In order to participate more effectively in communication tasks and strategies, she has completed a professional graphic design course at Gobelins in 2022. In her work and activism, she focuses on ecological planning, women's struggles, and democracy - in general but also in political organisations - from a Marxist perspective. She has been a member of the transform! europe facilitation team since November 2023, where she coordinates the working group on the radical, extreme and populist right Twitter: @anaisfley

DAVID BRODER, EDITOR AT JACOBIN, GERMANY.

Europe editor at Jacobin magazine and author of *First They Took Rome: How the Populist Right Conquered Italy*. He will speak about the Right-Wing Mobilisation and the Myth of the "Left Behind".

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WORKSHOP 2.2

MAITE MOLA: RESPONSIBLE OF THE EL INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, SPANISH STATE

Holding a degree in Physical Sciences from the University of the Basque Country and in New Technologies from the Autonomous University of Barcelona. Vice-president of the European Left, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Spain, member of the Coordination of the United Left of Spain. Feminist activist, she works in different women's platforms.

DAVID ADLER: POLITICAL ECONOMIST AND THE CO-GENERAL COORDINATOR OF THE PROGRESSIVE INTERNATIONAL.

Political economist and the Co-General Coordinator of the Progressive International. Previously, he was Political Director of the Democracy in Europe Movement (DiEM25) alongside Yanis Varoufakis, and Foreign Policy Advisor to US Senator Bernie Sanders in the 2020 presidential campaign. He writes an international affairs column for The Guardian newspaper. He will speak about The Reactionary International Lives, And Kills

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LUCAS AUGUSTO DA SILVA: PHD STUDENT IN “DISCOURSES: CULTURE, HISTORY AND SOCIETY” (CENTRE OF SOCIAL STUDIES/UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA). FELLOWSHIP HOLDER (MUSEOLOGY AND CEIED/UNIVERSITY LUSÓFONA). MEMBER OF THE COLETIVO ANDORINHA, BRASIL.



WORKSHOP 2.3

REBECA MOORE, BLOCO DE ESQUERDA

Intersectional feminist activist, currently focused on the Palestinian international solidarity movement. Member of Bloco de Esquerda and a student of education in Setúbal.

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BJØRN IHLER, MAIN COORDINATOR AND DEVELOPER OF ANTIFASCIST EUROPE

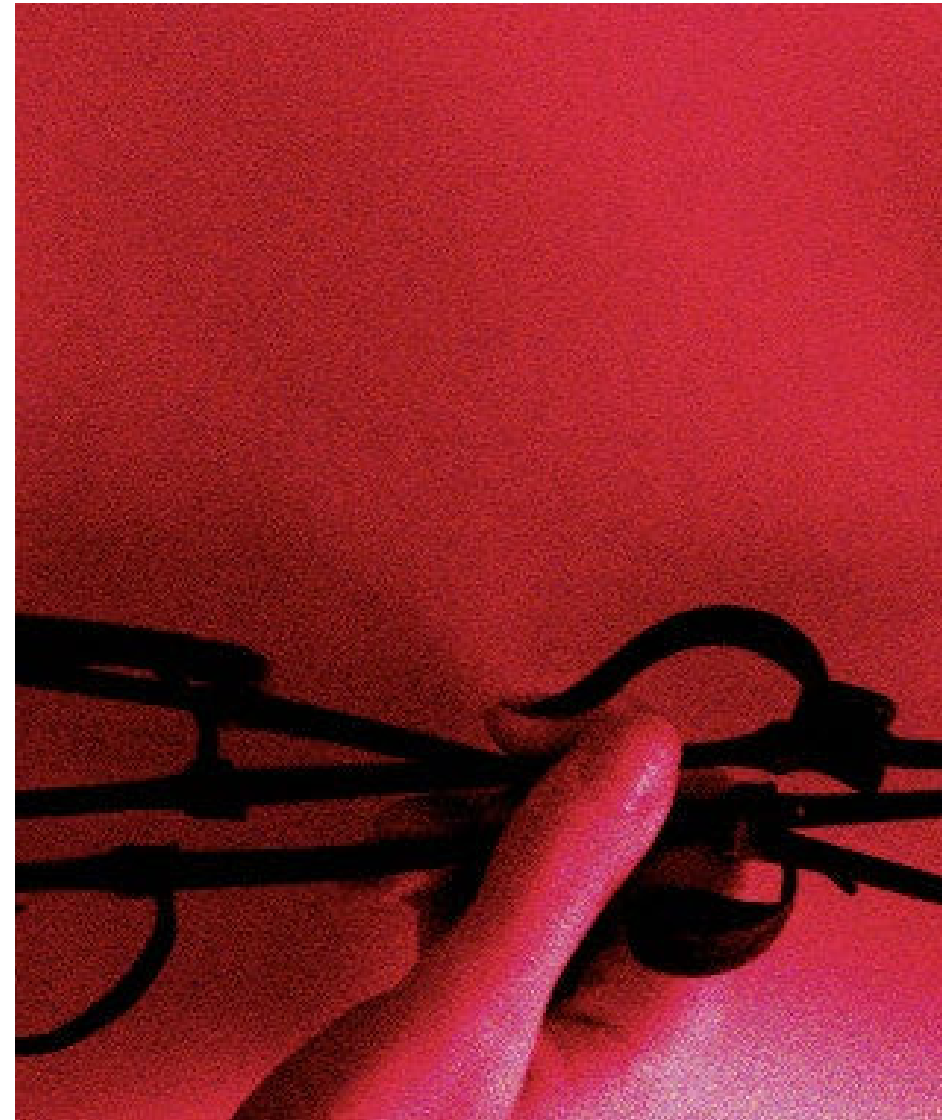
Co-founder and CEO of Glitterpill LLC/Revontulet and the co-founder and Director of the Khalifa Ihler Institute. He is also the main coordinator and developer of Antifascist-Europe which is managed in partnership with the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation. Ihler is an internationally renowned expert on counter-terrorism and preventing radicalization into violent extremism. Ihler's work is focused on the international dynamics of terrorist networks online and offline. This work has been vital in developing a shared understanding of the global threat landscape and informing national and international policy and practice, regulating technology, online content and harms while maintaining a principled approach to human rights. Ihler is a member of the Obama Foundation Leaders Europe Network and has, among others, advised world leaders, governments, and international organizations. His work has been instrumental in developing a more comprehensive approach to terrorism and violent extremism across

sectors. From 2020 to July 2022, Ihler served as the inaugural chair of the Independent Advisory Committee of the Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism, facilitating joint efforts across the tech industry to counter the spread of terrorism online.

OLIVIER GOESSENS, PTB - LAVA

Member of the research department of the Workers Party of Belgium (PTB/PVDA). He's also on the advisory board of Lava, a Belgian Marxist magazine.' He will speak about Capitalism's last resort: the Far Right's alliance with the elites and how to fight back.

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CLOSING PLENARY

MODERATION: CLAUDIA HAYDT, VICE PRESIDENT EUROPEAN LEFT

Social scientist living in Tübingen (Germany), long time Peace Activist and secretary general of Die LINKE in Baden-Württemberg, former town councillor in Tübingen.

MARIANA MORTÁGUA, NATIONAL COORDINATOR OF BLOCO DE ESQUERDA

Economist, member of the Portuguese Parliament and Bloco de Esquerda's National Coordinator.

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CATARINA MARTINS, HEAD OF BLOCO DE ESQUERDA'S LIST FOR THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Actress, national leader of the Left Bloc and head of Bloco de Esquerda's list for the European Parliament.

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DANAI KOLTSIDA, CO-VICE PRESIDENT OF TRANSFORM! EUROPE NETWORK

Greek lawyer and political scientist, currently co-vice president of transform! Europe network. She was director of the Nicos Poulantzas Institute for almost 6 years and she has previously worked as legal advisor, political analyst and policy consultant in the public and the private sector. Her scientific interests include electoral behaviour, political representation and political elites, electoral systems, democracy, rule of law and human rights, local and regional government and constitutional and political history. She has co-edited a collective volume on the Radical Left in Europe (2010-2020) published by Merlin Press. She has been actively involved in the Greek Left since the 2000's and she is currently a member of Nea Aristera (New Left). She will concentrate on How to reverse the authoritative turn? Beyond the "class vs identity politics" division.

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WALTER BAIER, EL PRESIDENT AND SPITZENKANDIDAT

(Vienna, 1954) holds a Doctorate in Economy and was the National Chairman of the KPÖ from 1994 to 2006. From 2007 to 2022, he was political coordinator of the transform! europe network. In December 2022 he was elected President of the Party of the European Left. Since then, he has worked for alliances between progressive and democratic forces to transform European politics to address societal and ecological challenges in favour of the majority. He is the spitzenkandidat of the Party of the European Left for the 2024 European election.

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