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Draft Program

Progressive Alliance Seminar: Social Justice and Equal Opportunities for All

19-20 November 2015, Rabat, Morocco

Thursday, 19 November 2015

Venue:

Hotel La Tour Hassan Palace
26, Rue de Chellah BP 14. Rabat, Morocco

15:00 hrs

Registration

16:00 hrs

Progressive Alliance Steering Committee (Room Diplomatique)

Interested parties can send a delegate to the Steering Committee. The Steering Committee prepares and discusses the conference issues and resolutions as well as the upcoming activities of the Progressive Alliance.

Chaired by **Konstantin Woinoff**, Progressive Alliance Coordinator

17:00 hrs

Coffee Break

17:30 hrs

Parallel Workshops

Workshop 1: **Progressive Campaigning and modern mobilisation strategies** (Room Diplomatique)

Ahmed El Aked, Consultant to the Socialist Group in the Moroccan Parliament, Socialist Union of Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco

Raúl Flores, President of the Federal District of Mexico, Party of the Democratic Revolution (PRD), Mexico



Hussein Gohar, International Secretary, Egyptian Social Democratic Party (ESDP), Egypt

Fouad Sidali, Member of Executive Board of the PvdA, Labour Party (PvdA), Netherlands

Moderator: **Moez Ben Dhia**, Member of the Political Bureau in Charge of International Relations, Democratic Forum for Labour and Freedoms (Ettakatol)

Workshop 2: **Trade Unions as Strategic Partners for Social Justice** (Room Panoramique)

Abdelhamid Fatihi, Secretary General, Democratic Labour Federation (FDT), Morocco

Lobna Jeribi, SOLIDAR Tunisia, Tunisia

Olav Bergo, Member of the Central Committee of International Policy, Norwegian Labour Party (DNA), Norway

Vicente Pinto de Andrade, People's Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA), Angola

Moderator: **Mohamed Derouiche**, Member of politburo, Socialist Union of Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco

20:30 hrs

Reception hosted by USFP

Welcome by **Habib El Malki**, President of administrative committee, Socialist Union of Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco



Friday, 20 November 2015

Conference (Room Diplomatique)

Moderator of the Day: **Mohamed Benabdelkader**, Commission of exterior relations, Socialist Union of Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco

09:00 hrs

Opening and Welcome Speech

Driss Lachgar, First Secretary, Socialist Union of Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco

09:15 hrs

Video

09:20 hrs

Speech

Massimo D'Alema, President of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)

09:35

The Syrian Issue in the Fifth Year

George Sabra, President, Syrian Democratic People's Party, Syria

09:45 hrs

Speech

NN, Member of the Revolutionary Council, Fatah, Palestine

09:55 hrs

Panel Discussion:

Social Democratic Challenges in the Arab Region

Karim Baloul, Member of Parliament, Coordinator of the Ethics Committee, Socialist Forces Front (FFS), Algeria



Saleh Hdaife, Progressive Socialist Party (PSP), Lebanon

Tahsin Namiq Abdalla Shwan, Deputy of Foreign Relations Bureau,
Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK), Iraq

Abdellatif Kamal, President of the Foundation Machroue, Morocco

Abdelrahmane Weddany, Assembly of Democratic Forces (RFD),
Mauretania

Moderator: **Giacomo Filibeck**, Deputy Secretary General, Party of
European Socialists (PES)

11:15 hrs

Coffee Break

11:45 hrs

Inequality is a Choice – Fighting for Social Justice

Pascal Lamy, President emeritus, Jacques Delors Institute, Vice President of
the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)

12:00 hrs

Video

12:00 hrs

Speech

Habib El Malki, President of administrative committee, Socialist Union of
Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco

12:10 hrs

Speech

Josh Osih, Vice-President, Social Democratic Front (SDF), Cameroon



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12:20 hrs

Panel Discussion:

Promoting Social Justice

Elke Ferner, Deputy Minister on Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD), Germany

Driss El Fina, Consultant to the Socialist Group in the Moroccan Parliament, Union of Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco

Arhe Hamednaca, Member of Parliament, Swedish Social Democratic Party (SAP), Sweden

Bonaventure Mbaya, President, Convergence Citoyenne (CC), Republic of Congo

Conny Reuter, Secretary General, Solidar

Moderator: **Tarik El Malki**, Commission of exterior relations, Socialist Union of Popular Forces (USFP), Morocco

13:40 hrs

Video

13:45 hrs

Closing Speeches

Marja Bijl, Vice-President, Labour Party (PvdA), Netherlands

14:00 hrs

Lunch

15:00 hrs

End of Seminar