Fourth Annual European Seminar on the Future of the European Union

The European Union, Federalism and the Ecological Challenge
Ventotene, September 7-8-9th, 2012

Program

Friday, September 7th – 18 p.m – 20 p.m.

Greetings of:
- Giuseppe Assenso, Mayor of Ventotene
- Lucio Levi, President of the Altero Spinelli Institute of Federalist Studies
- Jo Leinen, MEP, former Chair of the Environmental Commission of the European Parliament and President of the European Movement (International): On the Way to a Federal Union?

Saturday, September 8th – 9 a.m – 13 a.m.

Introductory Speeches and General Debate (Chairman: David Grace):

Heikki Patomaki, University of Helsinki, Towards a Global Greenhouse Gas Tax: A Democratic Global-Keynesian Perspective
Guido Montani, University of Pavia, After Kyoto and the Financial Crisis: a Financial Mechanism to Face the Ecological Challenge
Peter Luff, Federal Trust, Building a Global Climate Community
Riccardo Fiorentini, University of Verona, Environment, Global Crisis and Inequalities
Jonathan Fryer, London University, Greening through Culture: How the European Union’s Culture Programme is Furthering Education for Sustainability

Saturday, September 8th – 15.30 p.m. – 20 p.m.

Introductory Speeches and General Debate (Chairman: Heikki Patomaki):

Domenico Rossetti di Valdalbero, European Commission, A Forward-looking Analysis on the European Socio-Ecological Transition
Tom Spencer, Institute for Environmental Security, Environment, Security and the role of the Military
Andrea Ricci, ISIS, Trans-European Networks and overall sustainability appraisal
Zoltan Pogatsa, Central European University, State Capture and Sustainability
Nicolas Schmitt, University of Friburg, (?)
Teivo Teivanen, University of Helsinki, (?)

Sunday, September 9th – 9 a.m. – 12.30 a.m.

Introductory Speeches and General Debate (Chairman: Guido Montani):

David Grace, James Madison Trust, Democracy and Environment
Federica Cittadino, EURAC, Environmental Protection and Water Management in the EU Member States: Changing Institutional Scenarios and Trends
Carlo Sessa, ISIS, Raising Citizens Awareness and Participation to EU Research and Innovation Challenges
Shimri Zameret, Building Global Democracy, Democratising Global Governance - the Occupy movement, Indignados and other grassroots perspectives
Joan Marc Simon, World Democratic Governance Association, Green Economy: an Ecological Contradiction or a Governance Challenge?

Note on the organisation of the debate: The introductory speeches should be up to 20 minutes long. After all the introductory speeches a general debate will follow: each participant can intervene (for 5 minutes) several times.