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# CAN I CHANGE MY FUTURE ?

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**09:30 - 11:00**

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## A HIGH LEVEL CONVERSATION TO PUBLICLY EXPLORE POSSIBLE PROGRESSIVE WAYS FOR THE EUROPEAN UNION TO SHAPE ITS FUTURE.

In a context marked by a **growing disconnection between the global level of issues, and the national or local level at which they are addressed**, conservatives propose the status quo. Populist movements and extremist parties, for their part, capitalize on European citizen's legitimate concerns and emotions to propose a simplistic inward looking, short term oriented and nationalistic fallback.

By bringing together a set of renowned progressive intellectuals, and basing on the results of its substantive work, FEPS intends to open **a debate on the conditions that are necessary for the future European Union to effectively serve and protect its citizens** and shape a good society.

For that purpose, FEPS panelists will **explore what a future progressive European Union should look like** and with what means it should be equipped to address the roots of the socio-political, digital and geo-political challenges it is facing today.

**KEY QUESTIONS** that will be addressed encompass the following:

- Which world are we heading to? One marked by a clash between nationalist powers, or one wherein the multilateral system is re-invented for the 21st century?
- What can be the role of the European Union to ensure better global governance in the face of the climate change, the digital revolution and people in the move?
- What is happening to the European Union itself while it is confronted to the Brexit process, mounting euro-skepticism and the resurgence of nationalist movements?
- Which new political landscape can one expect in Europe after the next European elections?
- How can pro-European progressive forces regain initiative?
- What is wrong in the current state of European integration on the economic and social fronts, but also on the political one?
- Can European democracy be re-invented? Or will digital manipulation predominate?

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## SPEAKERS

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**Chair: Maria João RODRIGUES,**

FEPS President and Vice President of the Group of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

**Mario TELÒ,**

Full Professor of International Relations and European Studies at the Université libre de Bruxelles (Belgium) and at the LUISS Guido Carli (Italy)

**Gesine SCHWAN,**

President of the Humboldt-Viadrina Governance Platform (Germany)

**András INOTAI**

Former Director of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences World Economic Research Institute (Hungary)

**Gustavo CARDOSO,**

Full Professor of Communication Sciences at ISCTE - Lisbon University Institute (Portugal), member of the Innovation Lab Annenberg School of Communication and World Internet Project at the University of Southern California (USA)

**José António VIEIRA DA SILVA,**

Minister of Labour, Solidarity and Social Security (Portugal)



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