Seminar 19-20 April 2017 - Madrid

Progressive Industrial Policy in Southern Europe:
What is happening, what can be done

Venue: Centro Abogados de Atocha – CC.OO.
Address: Calle Sebastián Herrera, 12-14. 28012-Madrid.

Aim of the seminar (output):
1. Providing an overview of industrial policy which is being pursued by progressive political actors (governments, regions, cities, cooperatives, trade unions) from the southern part of the EU
   a. In regard to success
   b. In regard to challenges due to austerity and the legislative frameworks of member states and the EU
2. Providing a space for exchange between progressive political/economic actors and scholars working on industrial policy from the southern part of the EU.

Long term aim (outcome):
1. Developing a coherent and practical vision of (re-)industrialization of the whole EU
2. Supporting a progressive social and political alliance in the EU

Participants:
1. Politicians and policy makers (national, regional and local governments, and public institutions)
2. Cooperatives
3. Scholars
4. Civil Society
5. Unions
Introduction:

The RLS will help to convene 20 experts, policy makers and civil society representatives to engage in an internal, content oriented event that can help to open and develop the debate around Progressive Industrial Policies in Southern Europe.

All the participants are expected to contribute to the discussion. The names in the panels are the responsible of bringing in the contents to be discussed by the whole group after the presentations are made.

The participants are expected to deliver a 20 minute content oriented presentation (projector will be available) to be discussed afterwards in plenary.
Agenda

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12:30 -13:00 Welcome and presentation

• Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung: Vera Bartolomé Díaz & Roland Kulke (short introduction to the content of the panels)

Lunch 13:00 – 14:30

14:30 – 16:30 Progressive industrial policy in the context of the current crisis of the EU

• The current challenges of the EU -Mario Pianta
• The Spanish context – Jorge Uxó, Podemos
• Progressive Industrial Policy in the EU: constraints and policy space at national level. The case of Italy- Giorgio Airaudo, MP Italy Grupo Sinistra Italiana

Coffee break 16:30 – 17:00

17:00 – 18:30 Financing progressive industrial policy

• Juncker Plan – 2nd Round. Cassa Depositi e Prestiti, Italy - Edoardo Roviglio

20:00 DINNER (TBC)
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**9:00 – 11:00 Industrial policy initiatives of the governments of Greece and Portugal in the European context**

- current challenges of the de-industrialization in both states
- Sustainable development Goals of the UN and the challenge
- programs, resources, visions
- actual examples of implemented projects and which projects have not been implemented
- Comparative discussion

Greek representative: to be confirmed

Sandro Mendonca, ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa

**Coffee break 11:00 – 11:15**

**11:15 – 13:00 Industrial policy initiatives of Regional and City Governments in Southern Europe + Sustainable development Goals of the UN and the challenge**

- The case of Emilia Romagna - Patrizio Bianchi, Advisor of Regione Emilia Romagna.
- Actions on industrial policy. CGIL – Alessio Gramolati and Vincenzo Colla, Italy.

**13:00 – 14:30 Lunch**

**14:30 – 16:00 Digitalization, “industry 4.0” and quality of labor**

- Eddy Sánchez – Fundación de Investigaciones Marxistas - Universidad Complutense, Spain.

**16:00 – 16:30 Final discussion – Wrap up.**