



Summer University of the European Left 2009

Summer University of the Party of the European Left in co-operation with Transform! Europe, in Valencia, Spain, from 22 July to 26 July 2009.

The Summer University will take place from Wednesday, 22 July (arrival day and welcome) to Sunday, 26 July (closing). The programme takes account of the fact that some participants may have to leave on Sunday at midday.

Arrival: Wednesday, 22 July welcome at [ExpoHotel](#) from 16:00

Cost per participant: € 100 excluding travel expenses

Programme: The working languages of the Summer University are English, French and Spanish. Each day will have a theme and a plenary with several topics and speakers. The sessions have been co-organised by the European Left and Transform! Europe.

Wednesday, 22 July

Arrival day, welcome and check-in of participants

20:30 Welcome dinner, get to know each other

Thursday, 23 July

The global economic crisis: Theoretical and practical challenges for the modern Left

Plenary session 09:00 - 12:30

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Opening by Paco Frutos (PCE) and a representative of Transform! Europe

09:30 – 10:15

The anatomy of the European crisis (Richard Detje – Sozialismus, Germany, and Armando Steinko – IU)

10:15 – 10:45

Questions and answers

10:45 – 11:15 Coffee break

11:15 – 12:00

The social outcome of the global crisis (Walter Baier – Transform, Austria)

12:00 – 12:30

Questions and answers

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch

Press conference with Paco Frutos, Marga Sanz, Walter Baier and Maite Mola, tbd

Plenary session 15:00 - 18:00

15:00 – 15:45

The Euro-Mediterranean cooperation and the people's rights of the Mediterranean countries (Giusto Catania – former PRC MEP, Italy) (speaker from AKEL tbc)

15:45 – 16:30

Debate

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00 – 18:00

Questions and answers

18:00 – 21:00 Visit of the Old Town

21:00 Dinner

Friday, 24 July

Left political methods: From the diversity of the Left towards a common agenda

Plenary session 09:30 - 13:30

Keynote by Cayo Lara (IU)

Feminist movement (Maite Mola - EL ExB, PCE, Spain) (Angels Castell – EuiA)

Migrant rights protection movement (Giusto Catania – former PRC MEP, Italy)

Trade Unions (Horst Schmitthener – Germany)

Political Left (Haris Golemis – Nicos Poulantzas Institute, Greece)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

13:30 – 15:30 Lunch

Press conference with Cayo Lara and Giusto Catania, tbd

Plenary session 15:30 – 18:00

New political landscape after the European Elections 4-7 June 2009

Analysis of the campaigns and the results (Miguel Portas - MEP Bloco, Portugal)

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

18:00 – 21:00 Visit to the Albufera's natural park

21:00 Dinner

Saturday, 25 July

The situation around the Mediterranean sea and governmental experiences in Latin America

Plenary session 10:00 – 13:30

10:00 – 12:00

New ways of development, ecology and production (Marisa Matias - MEP Bloco, Portugal, and an ecologist activist from Spain)

12:00-13:30

The anatomy of the global crisis (Pedro Paez – former economy minister of Ecuador, and Denis Durand – PCF, France)

13:30 – 15:30 Lunch

Plenary session 15:30 – 18:00

Latin America (Valter Pomar – Sao Paolo Forum, Brasil, and Pedro Marset – EL ExB, PCE, Spain)

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

18:00 – 21:00 Visit to the city of Arts and Sciences and to the historic quarter of Cabaña

21:00 Dinner

Sunday, 26 July

Closing and departure

Plenary session 09:00 – 12:30

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Conclusions of the Summer University: Evaluation of the Summer University, contribution of the participants

12:30

Closing of the Summer University

Cultural performance (music)

Departure of participants