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Thursday, 14 January 2016
9.00-12.30 & 14.30-18.00
European Parliament, Brussels (B)
Room ASP 1G2

Draft PROGRAMME

<u>Time</u>	<u>Session</u>	<u>Moderator</u>	<u>Panellist</u>
09:00- 09:15	Welcome	Gabi Zimmer, president of the GUE/NGL group Matt Carthy, ECON member of GUE/NGL, Sinn Féin	
09:15- 10:15	The emergence of new "unconventional" policy measures and alternatives	MEP Fabio De Masi, GUE/NGL	Norbert Häring, <i>economist and journalist (currently Handelblatt), initiator and member of shadow ECB council, co-founder and co-director of the World Economics Association, recipient of the Keynes-Prize for</i>

			<p><i>Economic Writing 2014 of the Keynes Gesellschaft.</i></p> <p>Harald Schumann, <i>investigative journalist (Tagesspiegel), author of the documentaries "Staatsgeheimnis Bankenrettung" and "Troika - macht ohne Kontrolle", concerning the European bank bail-outs and Troika interventions, respectively</i></p>
10:15-12:30	ECB involvement in crisis management in different countries	MEP Dimitris Papadimoulis, GUE/NGL	<p>Pearse Doherty, <i>Sinn Féin TD and party spokesperson on finance, member of the Irish Committee of Inquiry into the Banking Crisis</i></p> <p>Gabriel Sakellaridis</p> <p>Octávio Teixeira</p> <p>Eric Toussaint, <i>Spokesperson for the CADTM, Scientific coordinator of the Truth Committee on Greek Public Debt</i></p>
12:30-14:30	Lunch break		
14:30-16:00	<p>Institutional alternatives -</p> <p>Thinking of a democratic and accountable central bank</p>	MEP Paloma Lopez, GUE/NGL	<p>Speaker from IPSO <i>only recognized union at the ECB organizing more than 42% of the staff. IPSO's immediate goals are improved corporate governance, fair and balanced labour relations, and the application of democratic principles</i></p>

			<p><i>and standards of law.</i></p> <p>Emilios Avgouleas</p> <p>Connor Mc Cabe, <i>senior Irish economist and lecturer in University City Dublin, author of the book, 'Sins of the Father', regular contributor to the economic debate in Ireland through his articles and posts in Irish left Journal Review, Social Justice Review and elsewhere.</i></p>
16:00-17:30	Policy alternatives - Progressive alternatives to current economic policies	MEP, Miguel Urban, GUE/NGL	<p>Andreas Nölke, <i>Professor of International Relations and International Political Economy, at the Goethe University Frankfurt/Main.</i></p> <p>Randall Wray</p> <p>Carlos Carvalhas</p>
17:30-18:00	Closing remarks	<p>MEP Fabio De Masi, GUE/NGL</p> <p>MEP Miguel Viegas, GUE/NGL</p>	