**During and after the pandemic: what health politics in Europe?

Webinar date and time: Friday 16th of April, 7pm-9pm**

The Corona Pandemic relentlessly exposes the consequences of years of austerity policies. The state of the public health sector is visible for all to see: there is a lack of everything in public hospitals and medical centers. There is a lack of material, vaccines and sufficient medical staff - especially in the care-sector. The public health sector has been cut to the bone. This hits the weakest in society and all those people who are "system-relevant" and can hardly protect themselves in the Corona pandemic, such as people in the care sector, in logistics like at Amazon.

Therefore, we would like to discuss the following questions:

1. Covid19 reactions/policies in country (of speakers)
2. Covid19 in future (expectations)
3. Health system status in country (private VS public)
4. Public/private sector in country
5. Public policies on health systems
6. Where we go in future with public sector on EU level
7. Local and international proposals for public health systems
8. How the public system can recover

**Speakers’ intervention: 10’ each.**

Q&A session: 1h

**Confirmed speakers:**

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| **Name** | **Short bio** | **Presentation language** | **Topics covered** |
| Loretta Mussi (Italy) | Doctor, specialized in preventive medicine and health law. Director of Health of major Italian public hospitals. Medical Director of Public Health | IT |  |
| Yiannis Baskozos (Greece) | Doctor in endocrinology, former General Secretary of the Health Ministry, WHO Greece | GR | Origin of pandemicUniversal lessonsHealth systemsVaccines and patentsLiabilities/proposal of Left parties  |
| Karsten Vrangbæk (Denmark) | Professor, Director of Health Economics and Policy (CHEP), University of Copenhagen. Public health and Political Science. Section of Health Services Research with issues of coordination and integrating care in Denmark, Sweden and Norway. | EN |  |
| Antoni Barbarà Molina (Spain) | Doctor and social activist. Specialist in Internal Medicine and consultant in Public Health, with 51 years of clinical practice. Founder of social organisations such as *DEMPEUS por la Salud Pública* and the *Marea Blanca de Catalunya*, and of the Coordinadora Estatal de Mareas Blancas in Spain. | ES | How to restore a public health system in the EU against the “Mercantilization” of health?Joint EU campaigning against the fragmentation of struggles.Importance of citizens’ involvement in the struggles for public health |
| Ana Vračar (Croatia) | Regional coordinator of People's Health Movement (Croatia). Expert in health workforce, particularly trade unionisation and organization of health workers. Project coordinator in the Organisation for Workers' Initiative and Democratisation (OWID). Researcher in the field of commercialisation and privatisation of health care in Croatia.  | EN | Basic development of the health sector in Europe Few remarks about the situation in Croatia |
| Sabrina Ali (tbc) | Doctor and an activist of the social care system. Author of the book “The revolt of an intern - Health and hospital in state of emergency”  | FR |  |

Thanks a lot for accepting to make your intervention in occasion of the webinar organized by the Party of European Left Public Services Working Group.

I will here sum up some useful information and I will also need you to answer a few questions in order for us to prepare the event at the best.

**Looking forward to your reply and especially to your interventions on April 16th.**

**All the best**

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