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FNF Greece: A youth full of hope and liberal ideas

It is widely known that young people are under-represented in politics. This is especially the case in Greece, where the inter-generational contract between the elderly and the young generation is at stake because of the economic crisis. FNF Greece organized a special event on reforms for the youth by the youth with the participation of Guy Verhofstadt MEP, Leader of ALDE, and Stavros Theodorakis MP, Founder and Leader of the Greek reformist party To Potami.

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United in Decline? Press Freedom in Hungary and Turkey

Press freedom in Hungary and Turkey has suffered in recent years. While intimidating journalists has become a common way of suppressing press freedom in Turkey, the Hungarian government uses means of market distortions to weaken opposition media. At an event organized by FNF Europe and TUSKON journalists shared their own experience of working in these countries and discussed the role the EU can and should play in dealing with violations of media freedom.

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Upcoming Event: "Beyond Buzzwords: How will TTIP affect our everyday lives?"

TTIP will likely affect many different aspects of our everyday life: what kind of medicine we take, which cosmetics we use, and how much we shop online in stores across the Atlantic. All this will also change the reality of business owners. Prognoses foresee that some groups and some countries will gain more than others should an agreement be reached. Join us for a discussion on the effects of TTIP on everyday life in Europe!

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A clean energy mix for Northern Africa

On the Southern shore of the Mediterranean, there is an abundance of solar power, but so far it is not efficiently exploited. On its Northern shore, EU countries have been experimenting particularly in the past decade with various energy mixes to reduce their impact on climate change while securing the energy supply. A delegation of FNF partners from Egypt, Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco, all involved in climate projects of FNF in those countries, came to Brussels to study the European case and learn from the mistakes that were made.

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USA: "Trade Promotion Authority" für Obama

Führende demokratische und republikanische Parlamentarier haben in der vergangenen Woche einen gemeinsamen Gesetzentwurf eingebracht, der Präsident Obama eine Verhandlungsvollmacht - die so genannte "Trade Promotion Authority" (TPA) - für internationale Handelsabkommen erteilen soll. Parteiübergreifende Gespräche dazu waren bekannt, die offizielle Vorstellung des Entwurfes kam dennoch überraschend. Es wäre nicht das erste Mal, dass US-Präsidenten diese Vollmacht erteilt wird, jedoch das erste Mal, dass Präsident Obama darum bittet.

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FNF Greece: Promoting Greece's diversity through media outreach

To show that Greek politics and civil society have more to offer than socialist thinking on the one hand and protectionist conservatism on the other was the objective of a three-day study tour for German-speaking journalists to Thessaloniki and Athens. The seven participating journalists were truly impressed by the open-mindedness and progressivism of the Greek people they spoke to, among others Yannis Boutaris, Mayor of the city of Thessaloniki, and Stavros Theodorakis, founder of the reform-oriented party To Potami.

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Dahrendorf Taskforce Publication Series

Having one common external border is the direct consequence of eliminating internal borders within the EU. Despite this new reality, the protection of this common external border is being tightly controlled by the national governments. EU-external border security is being entrusted to Frontex, an EU-agency responsible for the co-ordination between national border guards. By doing so, Frontex is expected to protect external borders from illegal immigration, human trafficking and infiltration of potential terrorist elements. This policy paper explores whether Frontex sufficiently executes these tasks, and whether it has the capabilities to do so in the first place.

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Upcoming Event: Dahrendorf Roundtable "The lesser evil. Security versus Liberty. Politics and morals in times of terrorism"

What if anti-terror measures, while seeking to increase security for society as a whole, infringe the liberty of each individual? Canadian writer and former politician Michael Ignatieff wrote an influential book on this delicate equilibrium: "The Lesser Evil". After Ignatieff's keynote speech, MEP Sophie in't Veld and Open Vld party leader Gwendolyn Rutten reflect upon the issue from a European liberal point of view.

***Register via this link: <http://tinyurl.com/DRT-LesserEvil>

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European Energy Union - are we getting closer to connecting the grid?

Although European integration in the early 1950s started around energy issues, efforts in this field have ever since been hampered by narrow national interests and a lack of coordination. Central and Eastern Europe serves as point in case. At an event organized by FNF Europe and the 4Liberty network experts from the Commission, the European Parliament and the think tank community discussed the EU's proposal for an Energy Union. One of their conclusions: energy needs to be treated as a product subject to market rules like other goods and services to make the energy market more efficient.

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