

2. Social movement and trade unions

Its possible on the level....

World

Continent

Region

Country

City

World Social Forum [WSF] I

What the World Social Forum is

The World Social Forum is an **open meeting place** where social movements, networks, NGOs and other civil society organizations opposed to neo-liberalism and a world dominated by capital or by any form of imperialism come together to pursue their thinking, to debate ideas democratically, for formulate proposals, share their experiences freely and network for effective action. Since the first world encounter in 2001, **it has taken the form of a permanent world process seeking and building alternatives to neo-liberal policies.** This definition is in its **Carte of Principles the WSF's** guiding document.

The World Social Forum is also characterized by plurality and diversity, **is non-confessional, non-governmental and non-party.** It proposes to facilitate decentralized coordination and networking among organizations engaged in concrete action towards building another world, at any level from the local to the international, but it does not intend to be a body representing world civil society. The World Social Forum is not a group nor an organization.

Charta Porto Alegre

When? first WSF 2001

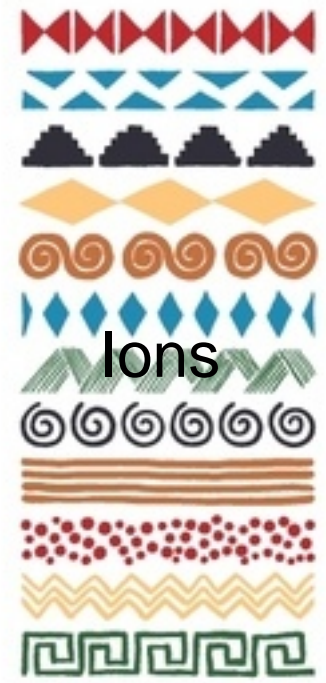
Some main items:

- Motto: „**another World is possible**“
- it becomes a **permanent process of seeking and building alternatives**, which cannot be reduced to the events supporting it
- The WSF **brings together and interlinks only organization and movements of civil society** from all countrys in the world, but it does not intend to be a body representing world civil society.
- As a **forum for debate**, the WSF **is a movement of ideas**
- The WSF **is a process that encourages its participant organizations and movements to situate their actions**, from the local level to the national level and seeking active participation in international contexts, as issues of planetary citizenships, and to introduce onto the global agenda the change-inducing practices that they are experimenting in building an new world in solidarity.

World Social Forum II

- Last WSF 1/2009 was in Brasil
- Next 2011 in Dakar/ Senegal
- 10.000 – 15.000 Participants
- Result from the last was the campaign „We dont pay for your crisis“
- Global week of action 30.11.-6.12.2009
- Global Action Day of Education 17.11.2009

fórum
social
mundial



world
social
forum 2009

um outro mundo é possível

28.3.2009 „we dont pay for your crisis“



Global Action Day 2009



<http://www.bildungsstreik.net/>

Social Forum – local/ regional/ national

Examples

- **American Social Forum [ASF]**
→ last = 3rd: October 2008 Guatemala
→ www.forosocialamericas.org
- **US Social Forum [USSF]**
→ first: 7/2007 in Atlanta; next: 6/2010 in Detroit
→ <http://www.ussf2010.org>
- **Mesopotamian Social Forum (MSF)**
→ first: 9/2009 in Diyarbakir Turkey
→ <http://www.msf.web.tr/msf-en/>
- **German Social Forum [GSF]**
→ first: 10/2005 in Erfurt; last: 10/2009 in Hitzacker
→ <http://www.sfid.info/>
- **Russian Social Forum (RSF)**
→ last = 2nd: 7/2006 St. Petersburg
- **Romanian Social Forum (FSR)**
→ last = 9/2005
→ <http://www.forumulsocialroman.ro/>



European Social Forum [ESF]

- since 2002
- took place every two years [last 2008 in Malmö, Sweden]
- idea escape during the World Social Forum 2001 in Porto Alegre
- ESF based on the Charta of Principles from the WSF
- all activities organized by honorary or lay official
- ESF between 150 and 300 seminars, workshops and other activities took place



EPA

European Preparation Association

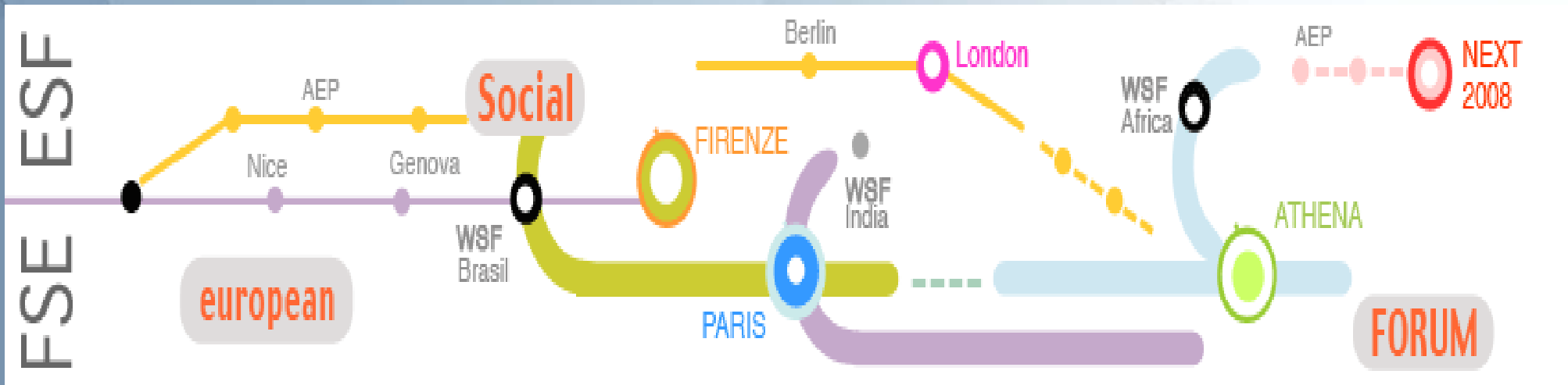
- open group and without a back office
- Meetings are located in country all over Europe
- The members of the epa pays here cost self or the other donate money for groups without or low budget
- This groups plan the ESF – search the meeting place, plant the programm and collect money
- The EPA summarise all Information for mobilization
- Next EPA for the ESF in Istanbul 2010 is in Berlin
30.1.-31.1.2010

<http://www.fes-esf.org>

<http://www.openesf.net>

Film Malmö

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZsiphVy9qXw&feature=related>



ESF 2008 Malmö – retrospect

When: 17.9.-21.9.2008

It was the first participation for the german trade union youth.

It was organized from the DGB Youth together with the IG Metall Youth.

We had invited all the other union youth organizations from western and eastern europe.

We was in Sweden with 100 young unionists.

We organized together a own Youth space for our own themes and meetings.

During the next ESF we dont need a own youth space, because our themes would be main themes of the ESF programm.



Steps

- find themes for workshops or seminars
- find a european partner
- insert your workshop or seminare of the programm homepage
- the EPA merge the workshops and seminars
- you get a timetable and a place
- you pay a fee for the participation on the ESF and the workshop/seminare
- you organize a translation like bubble and the technic which you need



Wir gegen Stalkingkriminalität
KARLE KAZZ-POST
Hochschule Aachen
gobührenalarms
DEFEKT
Spielen verboten!
WORKING CLASS
REVOLUE
GB

NEC

NEC

Stack of colorful sticky notes (orange, yellow, green, blue, pink)

Workshop
"Good education for all? Equal access for education
in europe"

Einführung - Introduction

Input „open access to education“
Input „situation in turkey“

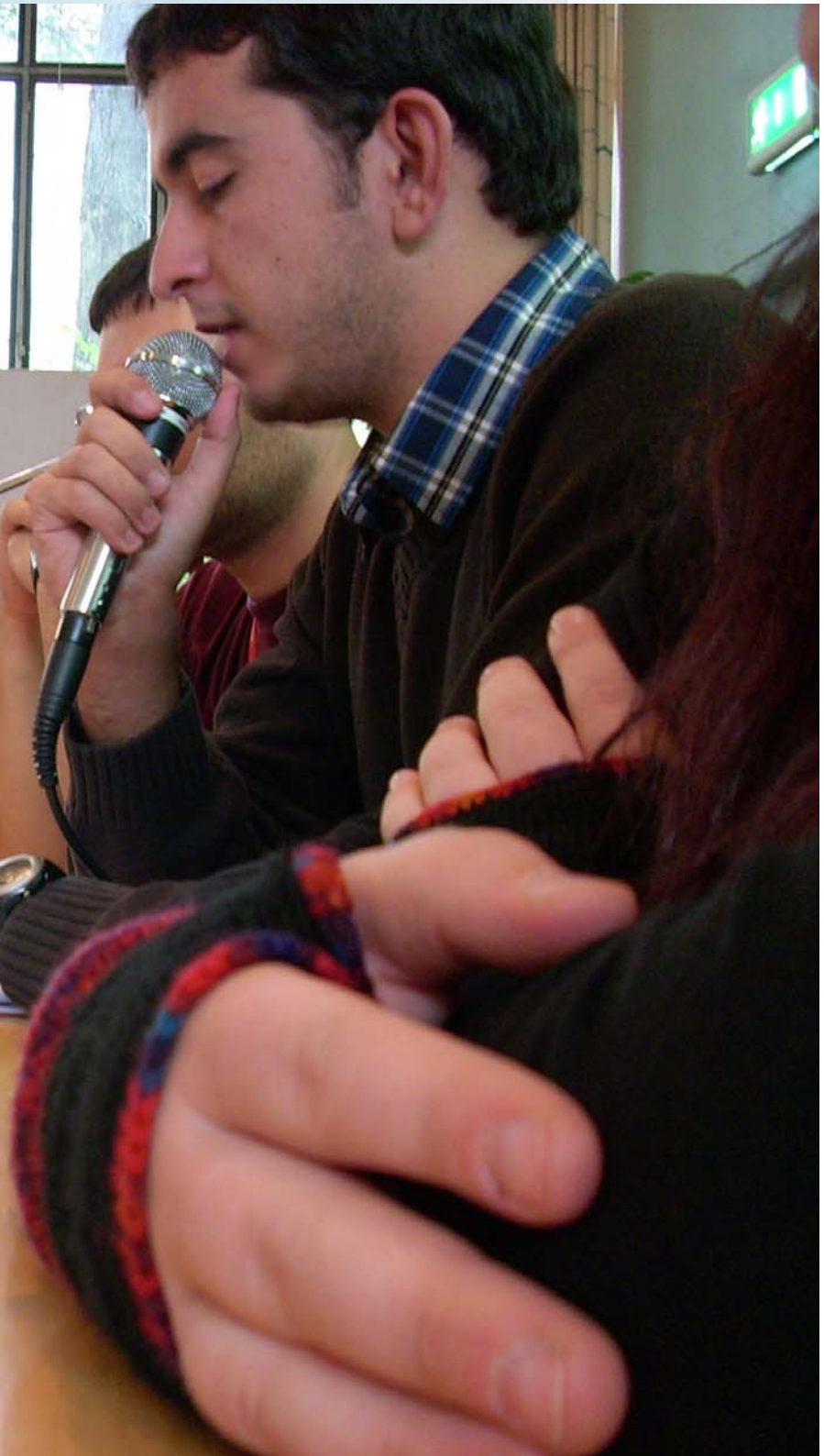
Workshops

Plenum





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4. ESF 2010 Istanbul I



- **When?** 1.7.- 4.7.2010
- **Where?** Sutluce Congress Center and Santralistanbul (Bilgi University)
- **Organization?** EPA (European Preparatory Assambles) and Turkish committee



ESF 2010 Istanbul II

- themes and axes in discussion...
- discussed themes (for example):
 - global economic crisis and resistance,
 - democratic and rights based Europe,
 - national and minority rights,
 - discrimination and equality,
 - sustainable world,
 - war and peace,
 - culture arts, informatics and mass media,
 - social movements,
 - new authoritarianism, criminalization of politics, women, poverty and exclusion, religion, fundamentalism and politics, casualization in work, unemployment
 - youth: right to education, work and future.