

The breakfast meeting “[Leading, not leaning - the ways PES can be a pioneer in the sphere of transnational politics in 2024 and beyond](#)” will be a closed-door seminar organised by FEPS together with the S&D Group, YES - Young European Socialists and partners in the project: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Fundación Pablo Iglesias and FMS – Max van der Stoep Foundation. It will occur on the fringe of the PES Congress – [Friday, 8 – 9.15 am in Room Multiuso -FYCMA](#).

This session will be an occasion to hear the views of the honourable Members of the European Parliament, who lead on the dossier of “Strengthening and Deepening of the Political Union” and enter into an exchange with the invited guests from within the PES Sister Parties Delegation, jointly reflecting on the potential avenues for PES to continue being a champion and innovator when it comes to representative and participatory democracy on the EU level.

This discussion will form an integral part of the FEPS – FES project “*Living up to, not leaving aside – The Progressive Strategy towards the Elections 2024*”, which focuses on the mechanisms of trans-partisan cooperation and aims to offer impulses for how to consolidate the pillar of transnational politics further. Within these deliberations, the organisers have been convening a number of sessions within the scope of a “Future Workshop” – with high-level academics, youth and civil society. Their objectives were to discuss the lessons from the Conference on the Future of Europe and the potential when it comes to mid and long-term ambition in regard to the role of the pan-European campaigns in elevation of the public debate, the improvements for the SpitzenKandidatinnen process and its recognition, the estimations in regards of the future of electoral reform and the transnational lists, the post-electoral coordination and transparency of the nomination processes. In that sense, the initiative is to offer a space for creative and constructive debate, as it will also be summarised in a report that will offer a panorama of views and modalities that may prove instrumental in the future.

Agenda

8.00 Welcome

Maria João Rodrigues, FEPS President

8.10 Impulse interventions

Katarina Barley, MEP, S&D Group, PES Executive Vice-President

Gabriele Bischoff, MEP, S&D Group

Sofie Amalie Stage, Secretary General of Young European Socialists

Lina Galvez, MEP, S&D Group, President of FEPS Scientific Council

8.50 Discussion

9.10 Conclusions

Hana Jalloul, Deputy President of the Socialist parliamentary group