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DIALOP EXTRA

transversal dialogue project



AT EYE LEVEL



DIALOP in the new image booklet

In recent years we have received many requests for a booklet laying out DIALOP's transversal dialogue project in the face of a general disinclination to work for dialogue, stemming from structural militarism that has been naturalized and presented as unalterable. Yet with the destruction of the social fabric war is accomplishing and the threat to the very existence of the species, the need for dialogue is obviously more urgent than ever.

At the end of a fruitful year for the dialogue between Christians and Marxists in Europe and beyond, the DIALOP research platform on transversal social ethics is now offering decent and persuasive results.

Find the new brochure under this link [DIALOP-booklet](#)

WHAT FASCINATES US IS THE WAY IDEAS WITH DIFFERENT IDEOLOGICAL AND ANTHROPOLOGICAL ROOTS MEET—HOW THEY CROSS, COLLIDE, OR SOMETIMES CONVERGE IN THE SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ARENA, STIMULATED BY THE FORCES OF UTOPIA OR VISIONS OF A KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

Angelina Giannopoulou - transform! europe

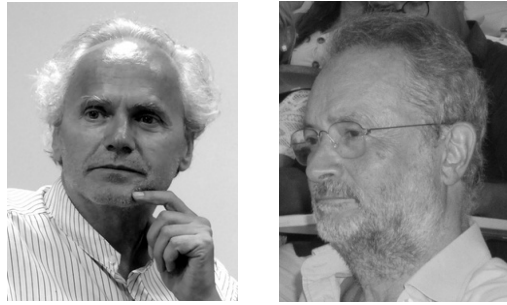
DIALOP IS A PROJECT OF DIALOGUE BETWEEN SOCIALISTS/MARXISTS AND CHRISTIANS, INVOLVING INTELLECTUALS, ACADEMICS, POLITICIANS, ACTIVISTS AND STUDENTS FROM SEVERAL EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

WE BELIEVE THAT DIALOGUE IS THE BEST WAY TO CREATE A REAL CHANGE AND WE ARE WORKING TO TURN THE WORLD INTO A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE IN.

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THE POSITION PAPER

by Michael Brie, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation and Bernhard Callebaut, Sophia University Institute



In search of a common future in solidarity

The socialists among us call it a class politics to forge solidary alliances of the bottom and middle strata. In the last decades a kind of common ground has emerged between the two traditions with the special option for the poor and the concept of the special active role of the poor – and the popular movements – in our societies and the world.

[Position Paper](#)

METHODOLOGY

By Franz Kronreif, Focolare Movement Vienna



Through a qualified dissent to a differentiated consensus

In a private audience on September 2014, Pope Francis in a private audience proposed a transversal dialogue to two well-known Marxists, and a Catholic. This gave rise to the DIALOP initiative, which set itself the goal of developing a transversal social ethics. The partners - transform! europe and the Sophia University Institute developed a methodology founded on openness, mutual respect and interest. They called it: differentiated consensus and qualified dissent.

[the methodology](#)

POPE FRANCIS' SIGNIFIER

During a meeting at the Vatican on 10 January 2024, Pope Francis told the DIALOP delegation that beyond a “moral value” solidarity is a “demand for justice which requires correcting the distortions and purifying the intentions of unjust systems, including through radical changes of perspective in the sharing of challenges and resources”. He encouraged openness to new paths and a willingness to “break the mold” of thinking. He also asked us to work “against a rigid approaches that separate” people and instead have open hearts “excluding no one at the political, social and religious level”. The Pope asked not to forget society’s marginalized people, noting that “the measure of a civilization is seen by how the vulnerable are treated. Eventually he stressed the “commitment to combating the scourge of corruption, abuse of power and lawlessness” - a thorough political programme!

[Audience 10 Jan.2024](#)

Don't stop dreaming of a better world! Pope Francis

