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Constat : The exasperating drift of the **SUPERTANKER Europe**

The European Union is certainly the most significant political project of the past 50 years. However it is stuck today into a major crisis: after 50 years of efforts, a first step in the European construction, primarily of economic and administrative nature, has been achieved into a deadlock of the European institutions and a great political vacuum. When citizens are cut off the European political life, when traditional parties whose ideas are focused on national stakes are crumbling, when administrations become very powerful but blind, extremists thrive to fill this immense political vacuum: **which reasons do we have to believe that in the current state of things, 2009 European elections will lead to something else than a shipwreck of the European project and a rise of extremist political forces?**

Objective : **500** millions Europeans **take a hand in their future**

This Europe, which has been built-up remote from the people, will not resolve the crisis through top-down reforms. Solution will come only when citizens will win back the European project by preventing "Brussels" to continue deciding on their behalf: it is up to Europeans themselves to take their future in hand. In this new era which has just begun, the challenge is not any more "to make" Europe, which for the generations born after the Treaty of Rome, is already largely there, but to manage 500 million people while respecting their culture and diversity.

Newropeans opens the way by creating the first trans-European political movement, which will present candidates to the European elections only, and which gathers those who believe that a democratic re-foundation of Europe is a political priority for the fifteen years to come, beyond right-wing/left-wing cleavage.

How to ? :

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key issues out of Newropeans Propositions

"In 2009, for the European elections, the voices from the 5 to 10% French voters who will have voted Newropeans will weigh more than those granted to any other list, because 5% in 25 countries have more impact than 40% in only one. Newropeans will be able thus to place its proposals in the heart of the debates of the European Parliament."

Franck Biancheri,
President of Newropeans

To unbolt the antidemocratic lifelong immunity of EU civil servants

To decentralise the EU system so as to bring it closer to the citizens

To put the European executive power under democratic control, so that the decisions taken are made by elected officials and not civil servants

To ratify the future treaties and enlargements through trans-European referendum

To elect the European Parliament by 50% from trans-European lists and 50% from national or regional lists

Democracy Marathon 2006

In 2006, the Newropeans Democracy Marathon starts again for re-inventing Europe's future together with the Europeans; as in the years 2002-2003, when Franck Biancheri launched the first European Democracy Marathon :



100 conferences and debates in 100 cities from 25 countries, 10 months of lively discussions, which have gathered 10 000 participants on the same issue: "which vision for Europe in 2020?". This was the birth of Newropeans propositions.

From April to November 2006, Newropeans will organise a new series of conferences on Europe's future, which will enable EU citizens to actively take part to the invention and design of our common future. Should you be interested to welcome us in your city and arrange the Newropeans Democracy Marathon 2006 to stop by, does not hesitate to contact us!

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Newropeans Magazine

Discover for free the daily bilingual trans-european on-line news, which is read by round 100,000 European citizens a month.

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Newropeans Awards 2005

Since 2003, the Newropeans *Grand Prix* rewards people or organisations which act in favour of European Union's democratisation. These prizes praise a new reality: despite the failure of national politicians or eurocrates, this now European citizens, via their associations, companies, universities or local representations, that daily intertwine the roots of a civil trans-european society.

Among the 2005 winners : Place Publique and Everyone's a citizen baby (Political Action), Eurozine (Information), Film Festival Cottbus (Cultural Projects), Eurovision (Entertainment)...

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Who are the Newropeans ?

The Newropeans are citizens like you, who will achieve what appears to date impossible, although politically necessary! For most of the Newropeans were born after the Rome treaty, they consider the European dimension as their natural environment. They feel living in Europe, like a fish in water. And not more than a fish would claim being "for or against water", they are "for or against Europe"! On the contrary, the Newropeans want to be in a position to influence their environment by bringing together idealism and efficiency, voluntary action and professionalism in order to respond to today's European challenge: its is up to the new Europeans to marry the "European construction" with democracy, as it was up to past generations to marry "Europe with peace".

Newropeans is the result of 20 years of personal involvement of people across Europe in support to European unity, for it to make progresses in parallel with common democracy. Some Newropeans founders have been involved in the launch of the **Erasmus programme** for studying abroad, then part of one of the most innovative European think tank: **Europe 2020**.

Newropeans, which has been launched in June 2005, pretends from now on to be the instrument of the European re-foundation of the European Union. If you want to invent and develop with us this unique political tool in order to take up the European challenges of the XXIst century, you are welcome!



Franck Biancheri, president of Newropeans, is one of the 20 «European heroes» distinguished by Time Magazine for their involvement in favour of European integration

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2005 – 2009 : road map

