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COVER

USA INVADES, BRICS COOPERATE

A few days before the summit in South Africa, the agriculture ministers of the Brics countries signed a joint declaration that envisages cooperation agreements between member countries, deciding to support joint efforts to adopt better agricultural practices, aligned with internationally agreed goals.

Among the points agreed upon were reducing the impact of climate change on agriculture and food production, as well as ensuring food for the most vulnerable ones. Ministers also recognised the importance of food security and nutrition programmes to reduce hunger and malnutrition among women, youth, children, the elderly, and persons with disabilities.

This joint declaration aims to improve the welfare of all citizens, unlike the US model of invasion, subjugation and imposition, which instead aims to improve only the lives of the richest part of the world at the expense of everyone else.



(18th August)

We don't have to invent anything new, we don't need eclecticism and we don't need those who seek the sex of angels.

Fortunately, there have been giants before us who have already mapped out the path, we just have to retake it.

"Progress is not pursued to build beautiful factories, but to make beautiful people. What good is progress if it makes poor people, slaves and dead people?

CAPITALISM is not progress, it is exploitation of one class over the entire planet'.

Ernesto "Che" Guevara.

EDITORIAL

While the 15th BRICS summit is meeting in Johannesburg, which might decide to expand its ranks by building a broad anti-colonialist front, our media are pretending not to care, even though there are now more and more flaws in the Western media narrative on the Ukrainian conflict. The war is going badly for NATO, and more and more voices are beginning to rise up out of the chorus and dare to criticise; all the major Western countries have almost run out of tanks and most of their armaments. Who will pay for the next rearmament? The social consequences of this conflict already speak of a net impoverishment of a large part of the population, whose living conditions have dramatically worsened: inflation is skyrocketing; wages that were already too low before have lost purchasing power; let us not speak of variable-rate mortgages and rents... Medicines are being cut back because food spending and bills are a drain, and petrol has returned to EUR 2 per litre. Those who have been able to afford to go on holiday have found the 'expensive umbrellas' crowding into the tiny spaces left to the public beach. It is fashionable among the petty bourgeoisie to complain by flaunting more or less shameful receipts and polemising with beach entrepreneurs and tour operators. There are clearly those who skim off the top, but there are also honest people who have been forced by the objective increases in the general price scale. The problem is not the individual, but the system. The rest is war between the poor: speculation and moral dissolution towards a totalising nihilism are consequences of the current conformation of 'liberal' capitalism. Our thoughts go out to the families who have suffered the criminal 'white deaths', the bereavements at work; then to those who have stayed in the cities to work, continuing to be exploited callously by bosses who deny paid overtime, raises and holidays. The reactionary, NATO-serving government of Meloni has removed the citizenship income and the fake centre-left opposition has launched a propaganda campaign on the minimum wage. There is no chance it will be approved: it is pure science fiction, but even if it were, the proposal would still be insufficient and would be exhausted within a few years, given the ferocious inflationary crisis that is accompanying this *great reset*. The NATO lefties snubbed the anti-war referendums and are now haphazardly collecting digital signatures to support the pittance of 9 euros per hour gross, when we need at least 12 euros per hour to live in dignity. Instead, work should be done to reintroduce a 'sliding scale' mechanism to automatically index wages to inflation. The Left is careful not to raise the question of stopping our costly military participation in the conflict. They are just clowns trying to regain their political virginity, building a false political opposition on media cases artfully constructed by 'liberal' totalitarianism, such as the one being constructed between General Vannacci and the late 'revolutionary' Murgia. To enter this debate is to fall into the trap set by the regime, which introduces issues like well-calibrated missiles in its indoctrination campaign. It is more useful to remember the anniversary of the Molotov-Von Ribbentrop pact (23 August 1939): a non-aggression pact between the USSR and Germany. The European Parliament in 2019 used this pact to pass a resolution equating communism with Nazism, assigning the two 'monsters' Hitler and Stalin equal responsibility in the outbreak of the conflict. We denounce the Orwellian rewriting of historical truth. We remember everything from the bourgeoisie's support for Nazi-fascism to the Munich pact of 1938. They wanted to use Hitler to destroy the Bolshevik experiment. We remember that it ended with the Red Army in Berlin.

Alessandro Pascale

ITALY

THE MASSACRE OF WORKERS: 3 WORK-RELATED DEATHS PER DAY IN 2023!

The percentage of deaths per age group speaks very clearly. The hardest hit are the oldest who should be retired and the youngest who should be studying or well-educated before they start working.

Even in 2023 the average number of deaths at work is 3 per day, politics, in the service of the financial aristocracy, milks workers by increasing the retirement age under ever decreasing safety conditions.

The concerted unions have made no opposition to the decisions taken by successive governments, complicit in the measures on pensions, work and security carried out by the governments. You cannot 'die of work at 67', you cannot die of work in 2023 in Italy, they want to completely destroy the working class.

The solutions are simple, what are we waiting for: send home this political caste that has go-vernated for the last 30 years before they kill us all one by one.

(16th August)



YET MORE PRICE HIKES! YET ANOTHER STING TO THE ITALIAN PEOPLE



The Meloni government promised it would cut excise duties on petrol, lower the cost of living and inflation, but thanks to its policies of servility to the US-NATO-EU, even breaking the Silk Road advantage with China, yet another mockery. The prices of every necessary good continued to rise, bringing to their knees the Italian people already harassed by the financial crisis and the crisis due to our country's involvement in the Russian-Ukrainian conflict.

Thus, Italian families, after all the price increases experienced in the last two years, will see their cost of living rise by €1,600 and only spending on food will increase by €205 compared to last year. The absurd choices of our government to actively enter the war under the orders of NATO and the USA are being paid for by the Italian citizens who will become even poorer as a result of their continued funding of and participation in a war forbidden by our constitution.

(15th August)

**IF YOU DON'T ADAPT TO THE FREE MARKET
YOU ARE SOLD OUT**



From January ARERA will auction 4 million electricity supplies that have not yet opted for the free market, so from April 2024, these users will be sold to whoever wins the call for tenders. Since the government does not foresee any extension to protect the citizens who will be sold to the highest bidder, nine million Italians, or 30 per cent of the users who have not yet switched to the free market, will automatically be sold to whoever wins the tender, forced to submit to their price.

The Energy Service must go back to being public, it is unthinkable that a key sector such as electricity should be in the hands of private individuals who only think of their personal gain

to the detriment of the service they should be providing to citizens, especially in these times when the phantom 'green policies' centred entirely on electricity are being pushed more and more, the Multinationals operating in our country will be able to blackmail the government of the day and all citizens and empty the pockets of the entire population.

(9 august)

ITALIANS HAVE TO PAY MORE TO AND FROM THE ISLANDS

The EU wants to impose a ban on preferential prices for ferries and planes to the islands (mainly Sardinia and Sicily) on Italy, so that Italian citizens who live on the islands but work or study on the mainland will be forced to pay much more for tickets to return home, as much as a tourist.

Supporting the EU's claims is Ryan Air's CEO, who states that making Italian citizens pay less for a ticket to the islands 'interferes with the laws of the free market according to EU rules: it is populist and Soviet-style stuff, which should be cancelled'.

With these words and our government's servility to the EU, Italian citizens will soon see ticket prices to the islands rise as well.



(16 august)

PC SUPPORTS DSP (POPULAR SOVEREIGN DEMOCRACY)

Two important elections are coming up in Trentino and Brianza.
The CP works with and supports the Democrazia Sovrana Popolare project and the candidatures of Marco Rizzo and Daniele Giovanardi.



**LA NOSTRA FORZA SIETE VOI
DEMOCRAZIA SOVRANA POPOLARE**



DANIELE GIOVANARDI
Collegio Senato Monza Brianza
22/23 Ottobre 2023



MONZA E BRIANZA

Il Collegio senatoriale in cui fu eletto Berlusconi diventa una frontiera di sfida a favore della Sanità Pubblica.
Democrazia Sovrana Popolare, dopo la discesa in campo di Marco Rizzo a Presidente della Provincia di Trento, candida DANIELE GIOVANARDI nelle suppletive del 22/23 Ottobre. Dopo 35 anni di Ospedale vissuti in Prima Linea, come Direttore di un grande Pronto Soccorso (Policlinico di Modena) e come partecipante alla stesura del piano Pandemico 2006, nel Marzo 2020, Giovanardi si è volontariamente messo a disposizione delle Autorità Sanitarie. Con sua grande sorpresa tutte le raccomandazioni del piano pandemico nazionale venivano disattese, anzi veniva imposto esattamente il contrario. Ci si è allora resi conto che il problema non era tecnico-scientifico bensì economico-politico. La vicenda del Covid e delle modalità con cui è stato gestito per spaventare e dividere il popolo ha portato Daniele Giovanardi dapprima in tutte le piazze unite dalla protesta, per poi oggi, nella richiesta di giustizia, confrontarsi con Bassetti e tutti i responsabili del disastro.
Daniele Giovanardi sceglie senza esitazione da che parte stare, in primis dalla parte del Codice Deontologico medico, trovandosi poi in piena sintonia su temi delicati come il no alla Guerra, l'uscita dall'Unione Europea, e le contraddizioni della narrazione sul cambiamento climatico.
Daniele Giovanardi sottolinea positivamente l'esistenza di un movimento politico con una strategia a lungo termine e con leader, primi fra tutti Marco Rizzo e Francesco Toscano, coraggiosi e coerenti.
Ci si può disinteressare della politica ma stentare certi: la politica si interesserà a Voi e alla vostra vita.

**DANIELE GIOVANARDI È CANDIDATO CON DEMOCRAZIA SOVRANA POPOLARE
NEL COLLEGIO SENATORIALE MONZA BRIANZA**

LA NOSTRA FORZA SIETE VOI!

Daniele Giovanardi, con Marco Rizzo e Francesco Toscano, saranno a Monza alle ore 15.30 di Domenica 27 Agosto presso il Teatro Binario 7 a MONZA in Via Turati 8.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS, WAR, IMPERIALISM

THE IMPERIALIST WEST'S LAST CROSSROADS: TOWARDS MULTIPOLARITY OR SUNSET



French President Macron made an official request to attend the 'Global South' in South Africa, but the African president denied him the invitation, giving a strong signal of change for the whole continent where France has always plundered and exploited the peoples.

The South African president invited leaders of 67 countries from Africa and the 'Global South' organised by the Brics to attend.

34 countries have already confirmed their participation. The Secretary General of the United Nations and representatives of other organisations have also been

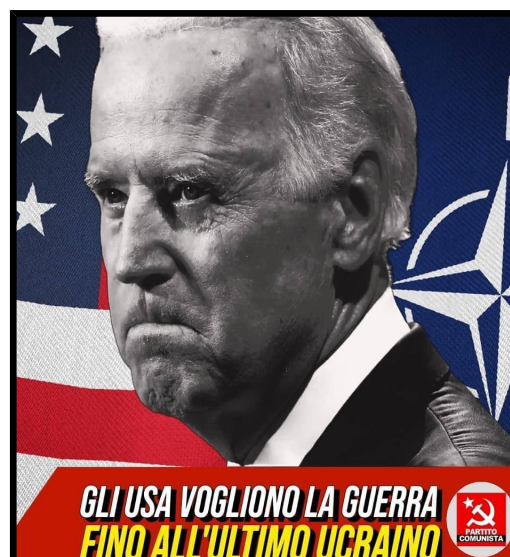
invited to the events. In addition, the South African Foreign Ministry has named all 23 countries wishing to join the BRICS: Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bahrain, Belarus, Bolivia, Cuba, Egypt, Ethiopia, Honduras, Indonesia, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Morocco, Nigeria, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela and Vietnam. A new Multicultural World is emerging.

(10th August)

THE USA WANTS WAR TO THE LAST UKRAINIAN

After the latest failed lunges by the Zelensky regime's militias, the US and UK are only continuing the war 'to the last Ukrainian' for their own purposes and interests, making people believe that Russia is the absolute evil and that this danger must be stopped at any cost.

The directors and heads of recruitment centres are periodically arrested, involved in scandals of corruption or abuse of power; the latest is that of the Transcarpathia district, accused of bribery and of exploiting soldiers' labour to build his new villa. Shortly before that, Evgeniy Borisov, his colleague from Odessa (where the forced recruitment of civilians along the streets is widespread) got into trouble and was accused of corruption, after real estate and luxury cars worth several million dollars were taken over.



(10th August)

STOP FRENCH THEFTS IN BURKINA FASO



Burkina Faso's Ministry of Foreign Affairs notified France of the termination of the 1965 tax treaty between the two countries. The treaty had allowed French companies and citizens to avoid paying taxes on their income in Burkina Faso. The decision to terminate the tax treaty was taken by the transitional government of Burkina Faso, which took office in September 2022. The government argued that the treaty was unfair to Burkina Faso and allowed France to benefit disproportionately from the country's economic resources. The termination of the tax treaty is the latest sign of Burkina Faso's decolonisation towards France. The termination is seen as a blow to France's economic interests in the country. More and

more countries are finally cutting the neo-colonial noose of the Western powers. (17th August)

THE WEST PREPARES FOR WAR IN AFRICA

The West is preparing to declare war on Niger in order to re-establish the fake democracy they have always exported, returning the African country to being their colony. According to Libyan sources, French and American troops are conducting a large-scale mobilisation at the Al-Wig airbase in southern Libya, near the border with Chad and Niger. According to these sources, France intends to use the Libyan base to invade Niger through its northern territories in parallel with the intervention of the forces of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), which met on 16 and 17 August in Accra (Ghana) to organise a joint military contingent for an upcoming armed intervention.



General Abdourahmane Tchiani, leader of Niger's military junta, which rules the country after the pro-Western puppet government was deposed, stated: 'ECOWAS is preparing to attack Niger by creating an army of occupation in collaboration with a foreign army,' he said. He also indicated that nobody in Niger wants a war. "But should an aggression be launched", the country's "defence forces" "will not be intimidated", supported by Burkina Faso, Mali and Guinea". Moreover, Burkina Faso and Mali have already sent some fighters into Niger. The West with France and the US in the lead are losing their economic colonies at the risk of no longer being able to exploit those territories and their peoples, and are preparing for yet another war to keep the African continent from moving closer to its true independence and the more prosperous, equitable and just multipolar world. (21st August)

CHRONICLES FROM 'LIBERAL' TOTALITARIANISM

ZELESNKIJ'S DICTATORSHIP CONTINUES THE PERSECUTION OF COMMUNISTS



The Zelensky regime indicted Ukrainian Communist Party (KPU) leader Piotr Simonenko for participating in the October 2022 meeting of Communist Parties in L'Havana and for attending the Anti-Fascist Forum in Minsk.

Ukrainian citizens live under Zelensky's neo-Nazi dictatorship and anyone who dissents from his subservience to the US and NATO is persecuted.

The Communist Party expresses its full solidarity with comrade Piotr Simonenko, who was forced to flee abroad after the accusation.

(13th August)

ALWAYS AT THE SIDE OF UKRAINIAN ANTI-FASCIST WOMEN

The Nazi regime in Kiev represses any dissident voices such as: Inna Ivanochko accused of being in charge of the OPPZH Party and of being a Russian spy.

Journalist Elena Glishchinskaya, accused of high treason, forced to give birth in prison and accused of separatism and of being among the organisers and active participants of the so-called 'People's Rada of Bessarabia'.

To the point of arresting a 14-year-old girl guilty of posting anti-war and peace messages on social media and a video where she shows her middle finger to a tent with the yellow and blue colours of neo-Nazi radicals, set up in the centre of Kharkov to seek volunteers for the army.



The Communist Party expresses its solidarity and sympathy with all anti-fascist women who were imprisoned for no reason by the Zelensky Nazi regime. (21st August)



**ANTI-FASCISM IS ANTI-CAPITALISM
MORE AID FROM THE WEST TO THE ZELENSKY REGIME**

The West and its puppet Zelensky are now losing on all fronts, and even the regime's newspapers are timidly beginning to admit it, but this is not stopping Western governments from supplying arms and money to Ukraine and taking it away from their own people. Denmark is preparing to send military aid to keep this war going to protect Western interests and condemn to death many more Ukrainian civilians and soldiers recruited by force. The Danish Prime Minister has stated that he will first send 19 F-16s to Ukraine and that the first ones could be sent within the next year, meaning that there is no intention on the part of the West and NATO to end this war and that they hope it will continue throughout next year. (22nd August)

**THEY MUST BE STOPPED! WE MUST GET OUT OF NATO IMMEDIATELY!
THEY WANT TO TAKE AWAY OUR CARS AS WELL AS OUR HOMES AND SAVINGS**

In the 1970s a small car could have been bought for 5 monthly payments, in the early 2000s before the euro it would have taken 6.5 monthly payments, today it takes over 10 monthly payments and rising steadily. At the end of the day, the aim is to reduce the car fleet, not by offering efficient and free public transport, but by no longer making it possible to buy a new car of one's own, but by enjoying it as a service according to principles of financial return. By limiting the movement of individuals, an attempt is made to control the movement of goods, including the commodity labour, by subtending the right to movement to false moralistic eco-principles imposed by the financial ruling class, rules of power preservation, in contradiction to the dogma of the free market. This is yet another demonstration of how much the Euro and the EU have harmed the Italian people by impoverishing them ever more and keeping them enslaved to the diktats imposed by Brussels. (18th August)



THEY WANT '15-MINUTE' CITIES BUT NO CITIZENS

**VOGLIONO LA CITTÀ
A 15 MINUTI**

MA SENZA CITTADINI!



Those who govern our country no longer want citizens to have access to the cities. In the last year alone, they have created so many restrictions and stakes, in the name of fake environmentalism, that it will become impossible for any resident to live in the city. The reason for this is that they only want to reserve the cities for tourists and the rich who will be able to afford to live and move to the new centres.

Rome and Milan have already started with '15-minute' cities, Florence, Turin and 76 other municipalities have instead imposed a driving ban on all Euro 5 cars to make it even more difficult for workers to get to work.

Meanwhile, the various municipal administrations of both centre-right and centre-left, in order to make life more and more difficult for workers and citizens, have privatised and cut public transport more and more, worsening the service, blatantly making fun of us because where the PD governs, the right wing opposes this measure, while where the right wing governs, the same thing happens with the PD opposing it. The result will be that only the rich who can afford the expensive new electric cars or to drive around in chauffeur-driven cars and tourists will have the privilege of entering the cities, while workers and residents will be forced to move to the provinces. They only want cities reserved for the rich on the Disneyland model. Centre-right and centre-left are two sides of the same coin, doing the bidding of the big multinational corporations that run the EU on bribes. (22nd August)

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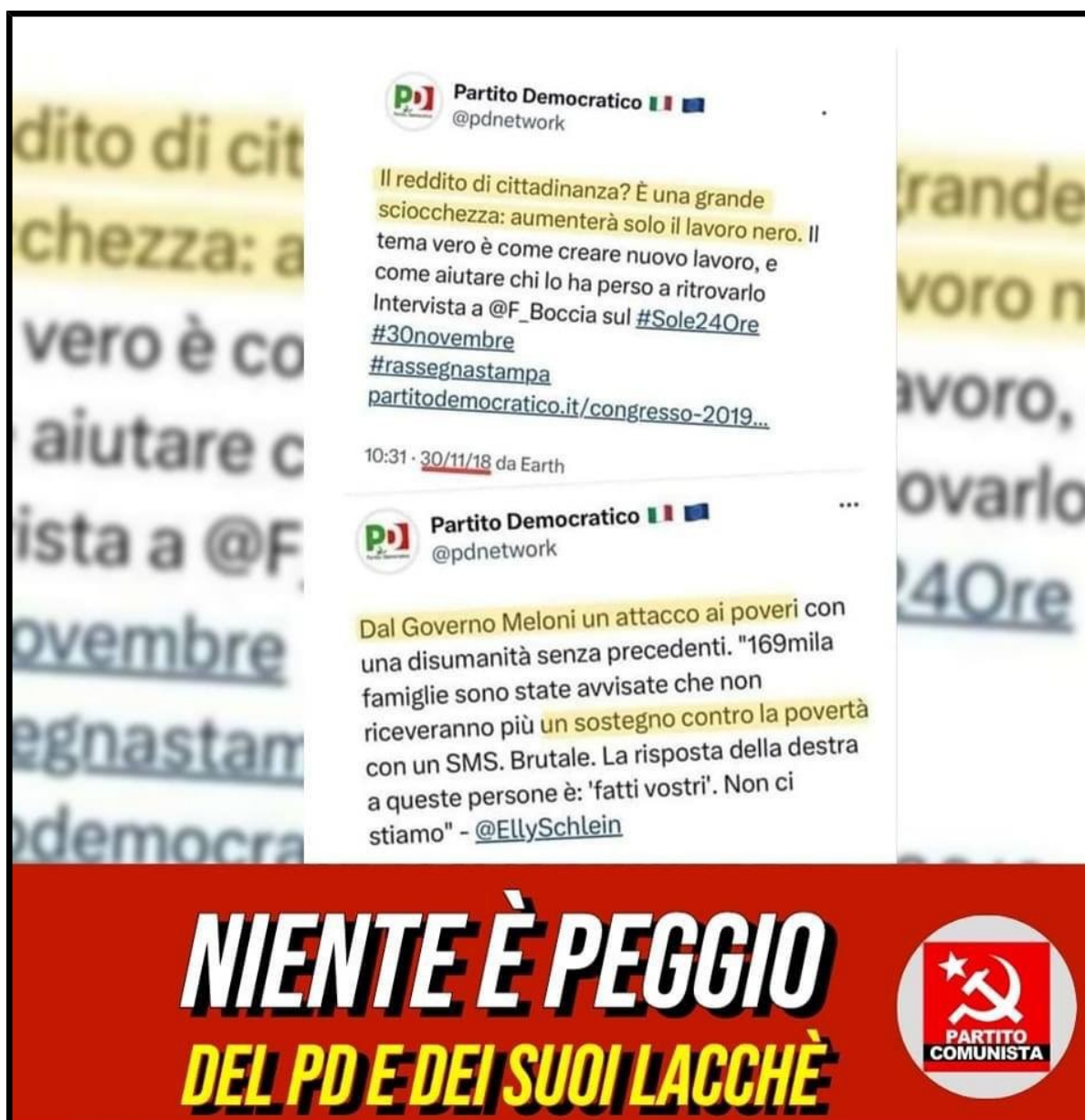
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NATO'S LEFT WING



NOTHING IS WORSE THAN THE PD AND ITS LACKEYS

First they raged against the citizenship income, considering it a stupid tool that would favour black labour, to go against the M5S.

Now they defend it in a sterile way to see if they can scrape together a few votes outside the ZTL zones to go (fake) against the Meloni government.

The PD is the party of the clientele of stateless finance and multinationals, of that financial aristocracy that rules the EU and the NATO gendarmerie, against all peoples.

(12nd August)



THE PD PUSHES FOR PRIVATISATION OF HEALTHCARE

The party that in the latest election campaigns says it 'wants to beat the right' and does so by starting with the San Marco Hospital in Zingonia in the province of Bergamo through its own direct initiative, where patients can 'jump the queue' by paying EUR 149, without the need for pre-booking. A further step towards the US model of healthcare that fuels inequality between those with financial possibilities and those without.

The patient who needs assistance from an orthopaedist, a multi-specialty surgeon, a dentist or a urologist need only go to the surgery and pay.

The basic fee is set at EUR 149, but this does not include costs 'related to any first- and second-level diagnostic examinations', the website specifies.

The PD wants to 'beat the right' by putting itself even further to the right like the Nazis, healthcare will become a privilege of some instead of a right of all. (17th August)

THE POINT MADE BY SECRETARY ALBERTO LOMBARDO

HOW TO TURN A GOOD THING INTO A BAD THING (AND VICE VERSA).

I. MINIMUM WAGE

Our Party was the first to propose this measure. It is aimed at giving an extra individual bargaining tool to the worker who is crushed by downward blackmail and is often not defended by any union organisation. After the labour process has become costly again and has biblical implementation times, the possibility of access to other judicial channels can empower the worker. Of course it is not the ultimate solution, but it can help many. The activities that respect the CCNL have nothing to fear, on the contrary!, there is a tendency to do away with unfair competition, which hinders their activities. So it is clear that this is not an 'attack' measure, but a defensive one in a 'war of position' that we must gear up for.

There is no question that a minimum wage by law can flatten down the higher wages protected by the most favourable Collective Agreements. It is a diversion that the bosses put in place to confuse the workers. The condition is that this minimum threshold must be substantial. If our party was saying 10€/hour net two years ago, today, after two years of double-digit inflation for the most widely consumed goods, we should go to at least 12€/hour. To set it at 9€/h gross, i.e. less than 7€/h net, is to justify starvation wages and even make them appear as 'fair' against which any protest should be nullified.

In addition, in unification with the wage claims of all employees, an automatic indexation mechanism, as was the 'escalator', should also be claimed. The 'wage moderation', accepted by the concerted trade unions from the 1980s onwards and then implemented by avalanche in the 1990s and afterwards, is a sleight of hand that has in fact shifted the burden of inflation only onto employees. Reflect on the fact that wage adjustment follows inflation and does not precede it, so it cannot be its cause. *What PD and M5S propose.*

1. The threshold of 9€/h is too low, as we have already pointed out
2. Article 7 of the centre-left bill provides for a "benefit in favour of employers, ..., proportional to the wage increases paid to employees in order to adjust the minimum hourly wage to the amount of 9€". Should the minimum wage be paid by wage earners and all those who pay taxes?!
3. In Article 6 there are neither civil nor criminal sanctions, but a dispute before the labour judge. So no immediate enforcement for workers.

As proposed by the PD and M5S.

For those who are in parliament, the presentation of the bill is possible immediately. The collection of signatures is useful for two reasons: either for the political force that is not in parliament or for those who want to arouse a broad popular movement by setting up public banquets and debating places. There are neither the first nor the second conditions. PD and M5S are in parliament and there is no debate in the squares but only in internal circles fed by the press.

It is a clear fakery for the Parliament to pretend to argue with the government over something that parliament will then reject. Something else would be to promote an abrogative referendum, which would give the people a direct voice and unhinge this pantomime. But which laws to repeal? The laws made by the PD that have made workers precarious? Let's be serious!

HOW TO TURN A GOOD THING INTO A BAD THING (AND VICE VERSA)

II. CITIZENSHIP INCOME

Our party has been against this measure from the outset with respect to how it is implemented. Except for the problems of care that should be addressed and resolved independently of the RdC anyway. Let us see what is wrong.

1. The income is too low to lift people out of poverty. You cannot even buy a washing machine on instalments. So subsistence consumption. The effect on the GDP multiplier is therefore low.

2. Abuse (actually negligible compared to far more relevant things like evasion and exploitation) is difficult to prosecute.

3. The search for work through navigators has turned into a treasure hunt. After all, it is obvious that if the job opportunities in the private sector are not there, they are not created that way. All the same, employment support measures, once again, were money given to the bosses.

4. There is no use of a tool provided for by the Decree of the Minister of Labour and Social Policies of 22 October 2019, which would put an end to abusive practices and bring concrete benefits to the entire community. These are the so-called PUCs (Progetti Utili alla Collettività) that municipalities can access. Many recipients of the RdC are clamouring for the activation of this measure, which would give them the dignity of workers and perhaps a prospect of stabilisation. One of the constraints, however, that interferes with this implementation is the one that states that "Activities already contracted or in any case externally entrusted by the municipality cannot be the subject of the projects in question." While the constraint that the PUCs should not take away permanent jobs in the municipalities, all of which are understaffed, is acceptable, it is indignant that they should not interfere with external contracts that the municipalities have to pay handsomely for or, in the event of a financial crunch, not carry out at all.

For the Communist Party, the high road is to create stable, decent and secure public jobs that give a glimpse of a future to the many unemployed. And the needs of public administrations are many, from the defense and restoration of territory to the safety and welfare of citizens. The money is there, but it is being spent not on the needs of the public, but to increase private profits. Also remember that public employment, in addition to contextually increasing GDP equally and thus not worsening but improving the deficit/GDP ratio, offers the greatest multiplier, because the decent income received sets in motion consumption and the domestic economy and thus in succession also creates private jobs.

While we have been critical of the formulation of the RdC, we view with concern the squeeze the current government is bringing to workers' rights. The RdC, instead of being reformed positive, simply evaporates gradually.

Particularly disgusting finally is the affair we are experiencing whereby money taken from the RdC goes to arms to Ukraine and to support U.S.-led imperialism.

HISTORY AND MEMORY



**8th August 1956 - THE MARCINELLE TRAGEDY.
WE WILL NOT FORGET ANYTHING!**

Marcinelle mine tragedy.

One of the most serious mining tragedies in history occurred 65 years ago on August 8, 1956, at the Bois du Cazier coal mine (just outside the Belgian town of Marcinelle) where a fire broke out, causing a massacre.

262 miners died, from burns, smoke and toxic gases, It was a chilling tragedy, the miners were left with no way out, suffocated by gas fumes. 136 were Italians. It was 8:10 a.m. when sparks caused by the short circuit ignited 800 liters of powdered oil and the shaft's wooden structures.

After two weeks of searching, as an acrid black smoke continued to billow from the sinister shaft, one of the rescuers returning from the bowels of the mine could only let out a cry of horror: "All dead bodies!"

The tragedy of the Marcinelle coal mine is above all a tragedy of Italian immigrant workers in postwar Belgium. Between 1946 and 1956 more than 140,000 Italians crossed the Alps to work in the coal mines of Wallonia. It was the price of an agreement between Italy and Belgium that involved a giant barter: Italy was to send 2,000 men a week to Belgium and, in exchange for the influx of arms, Brussels agreed to supply Rome with 200 kilograms of coal a day for each miner.

Only after the terrible tragedy of Marcinelle was the gas mask finally introduced in the mines of Belgium. The conditions under which the miners worked were deplorable; the Italian government because of the outraged reaction of the population, the press and the trade unions to the high frequency with which accidents occurred in the Belgian mines, interrupted at times the huge exodus of Italian laborers to Belgium.



VIVA ZAPATA!
8 agosto 1879

"Men of the South! It is better to die on your feet than to live on your knees."

Emiliano Zapata Salazar was born a Mexican revolutionary leader, general, politician, and guerrilla, a central figure in the Mexican Revolution and Mexican history, still remembered and celebrated today.

"One must remember how the reactionaries and counterrevolutionaries defined Emiliano Zapata and the in-sorts peasants of Morelos. The porfiristas said that the Zapatista peasants were barbarians who used guerrilla and terrorist methods; they had to be eliminated. Zapata was branded a communist." (Julio Cota)

FIDEL CASTRO, The LEADER MAXIMO

13 Agosto 1926

"In the Pantheon of the greatest revolutionaries of the 20th century, those who began humanity's exit from the hell of imperialist capitalism" (Samir Amin, on Fidel)

Let us honor Fidel Castro, revolutionary commander who liberated the island of Cuba from the vicious tyranny of the dictator, in the pay of the U.S., Batista. "Nothing in the world is irreversible, not even capitalism." Remember also the lessons about the dangers of ideological degeneration:

"if in time Trockijism represented only a wrong position, but nevertheless a position in the field of political ideas, Trockijism in later years would become a common tool of imperialism and reaction. Therefore, these gentlemen think that, for example, in relation to Viet-nam in the South, where a broad revolutionary front was joined by the vast majority of the populace, where different sectors of the population, closely followed the whole liberation movement in the struggle against imperialism, for the Trockijists absurdly, this is counter-revolutionary."



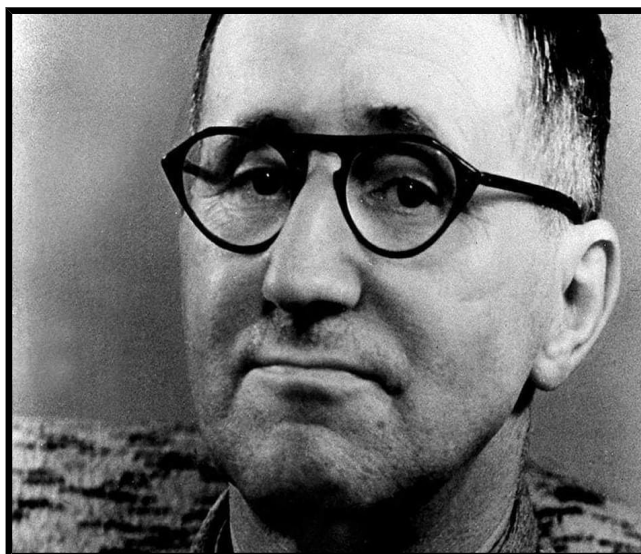
BERTOLT BRECHT, THE PERFECT ORGANIC INTELLECTUAL
14th August 1956

On Aug. 14, 1956, Bertolt Brecht, communist, poet, one of the 20th century's most important drama-turks, died in East Berlin.

"To be against fascism without being against capitalism, to rebel against the barbarism that springs from barbarism, is tantamount to reclaiming a part of the calf and opposing suppressing it."

"What is a pick in the face of a stock? What is a bank break-in in the face of a bank's foundation?"

"The law is made solely for the exploitation of those who do not understand it, or to whom brutal necessity does not permit compliance with it."



THE FIGHTER ERNST THÄLMANN
18th August 1944

"A man who has a sense of dignity does not give up his actions. One can be dogged, it is true, in lusting after goodness and truth, but once they have taken root it is impossible to stifle them for a long time ... as many other women do, obliged to live in such difficult times, far from those they love."

Many still believe today that Adolf Hitler was supported by the totality of the German people and that at the time, there was not even a shadow of resistance in Germany. This was not the case.

Ernst Thälmann, born in Hamburg of 1886, was the secretary of the KPD, the German Communist Party.

He immediately took the side of the weaker working classes by fighting alongside them and succeeding in mobilizing large masses of workers. It was precisely this that frightened the German master and ruling class, which turned to Hitler. When in 1932, Hitler seized power (thanks in part to the opportunistic Social Democrats SPD), Thälmann was immediately arrested and the KPD was BANNED. After years of total isolation, Thälmann was killed in Buchenwald camp on August 18, 1944. The Communist Party loudly reiterates: NAZISM and FASCISM are still the watchdogs of capitalist power, whose main purpose is to break down any willful defense of the freedom and rights of the subaltern classes.

19th August 1954 - THE COMMUNIST PARTY IS BANNED IN THE USA

Beginning in the late 1940s, the United States began that systematic hunt for elements defined as dysfunctional to the capitalist and therefore U.S. system. Thus began a veritable witch hunt known as McCarthyism, which spared no one: ordinary citizens, artists, government officials down to members of the military, all accused of being communists. And so it was that in the "Free and Democratic" USA on August 19, 1954, the Communist Party of the United States was banned. A measure in the full fascist mold that was certainly not episodic but structural to U.S. bourgeois society. Another example? When between 1936 and '39 they supported the coup d'état of the fascist Franco in Spain favoring his rise economically and diplomatically. A coup that led to the death of the famous poet Federico Garcia Lorca..



IN MEMORY OF COMRADE FEDERICO GARCIA LORCA 19th August 1936

“But I protested every day. I protested at seeing negro children as they took off from starched collars, in brightly coloured dresses and boots, cleaning the spittoons of cold men who talk like ducks. I protested at all this flesh stolen from paradise, handled by Jews with icy noses and parched souls; and I protested at the saddest thing of all, that the negroes did not want to be negroes, that they invented ointments with which to hide their delicious curly hair and powders to change the grey of their faces and syrups with which to fatten and soften the florid khaki of their lips.”



Lorca, was arrested on 16th August. Numerous speeches were made in his favour, but despite promises that García Lorca would be set free 'if there are no complaints against him', the fascist governor, with the support of General Gonzalo Queipo de Llano, secretly ordered his execution: late at night, Federico García Lorca was taken to Víznar, near Granada, and at dawn on 19th August 1936 he was shot by pro-Franco fascist militants of the CEDA political movement on the road near the Fuente Grande. His body was never found. His murder provoked worldwide disapproval: many intellectuals expressed words of outrage, among

them those of his friend Pablo Neruda. "Federico's murder was for me the most painful event of a long fight. Spain has always been a field of gladiators; a land with much san-gue. The arena, with its sacrifice and cruel elegance, repeats the ancient mortal struggle between shadow and light.”

THE SPUTNIK PROGRAMME (1960)

On 19 August 1960, the Soviet Union launched Sputnik 5 with the dogs Belka and Strelka (Russian for 'squirrel' and 'little arrow'), 40 mice, 2 rats and several plants on board.

The shuttle will return to Earth the next day and all the animals will be recovered safe and sound. We recall other firsts achieved by the Soviets:

- First ICBM, the R-7;
- First satellite, the Sputnik 1;
- First animal in orbit, Laika with Sputnik 2;
- First person launched into space, Jurij Gagarin with Vostok 1; Vostok programme;
- First mission with two shuttles with crews approaching in space, Vostok 3 and Vostok 4. Although considered by many people to be the first rendezvous, the shuttles were actually 5 km apart and on different orbital planes. The first rendezvous was carried out by the American Gemini 6A and Gemini 7 shuttles three years later;
- First woman in space, Valentina Vladimirovna Tereškova on Vostok 6;
- First crew of three in Voschod 1;
- First extravehicular activity, Aleksej Archipovič Leonov from Voschod 2;
- First orbital docking of two human crew changes, Sojuz 4 and Sojuz 5;
- First launch of a probe to another celestial body, Luna 1;
- First probe to the Moon, Luna 2;
- First images of the hidden side of the Moon from Luna 3;
- First probe launched to the planet Venus, Venera 3;
- First probe launched to the planet Mars, the Mars 3 and sending data from the planet;
- First probe in orbit around the Moon, Luna 10;
- First probe returned to Earth from another celestial body, Luna 16;
- First space rover Lunochod;
- First space station, Salyut 1 in 1971;
- First extravehicular activity by a woman in space, Svetlana Evgen'evna Savickaja in 1984 from the space station Saljut 7;
- First permanently manned space station, Mir, which orbited the Earth between 1986 and 2001.



**SOVIET UNION THE WORKERS' COUNTRY WORLD VANGUARD
TO KNOW THE TRUE HISTORY OF COMMUNISM**



It is important for every militant and sympathiser to cultivate their political training by acquiring the fundamental elements of the theory and history of the workers' and communist movement, so as to have useful points of reference to develop their own solid, critical and dialectical thinking, acquiring developed analytical skills that allow them to respond to the daily class struggle carried out also in the cultural field by the bourgeoisie, emancipating themselves from reactionary ideologies.

In this regard, the advice is to have recourse to the *Storia del Comunismo* (*History of Communism*) that can be downloaded free of charge (in PDF format) on the site intellettualecollettivo.it and consulted in html format on the site Storiauniversale.it.

In particular, we refer to [*Introduzione teorico-politica al marxismo-leninismo*](#), a hundred pages useful to understand who we are and what we want beyond contingent tactical claims. A tal riguardo il consiglio è di far ricorso alla *Storia del Comunismo* scaricabile gratuitamente (in formato PDF) sul sito intellettualecollettivo.it e consultabile in formato html sul sito Storiauniversale.it.



ONGOING TRAINING AND INFORMATION



CONTACTS

The bourgeois regime structurally tends to close any space of visibility to proletarian organisations, reserving for itself the almost totalitarian control of the media, in order to control thought through direct and indirect propaganda.

For these reasons, it is crucial for the Party to develop its own autonomous channels of information, building a direct channel of communication with the popular masses, trying to exploit social networks to the full. Here are our virtual 'casemates':

-Partito Comunista

Official website: <https://ilpartitocomunista.it/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ilpartitocomunista>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/c/PartitoComunista-PC>

Telega: <https://t.me/IlPartitoComunista>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/PartitComunista>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/partitocomunista.pc/>

TikTok: <https://www.tiktok.com/@partito.comunista>

-La Riscossa, the Party's official organ

Official website: <https://www.lariscossa.info/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/LaRiscossa.info>

Telegram: <https://t.me/lariscossa>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/lariscossa.info/>

-Federazione della Gioventù Comunista (Federation of the Communist Youth)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FederazioneGioventuComunista>

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/federazione_gioventu_comunista/

VIDEOS

GLI ITALIANI DEVONO PAGARE DI PIÙ DA E PER LE ISOLE (ITALIANS HAVE TO PAY MORE TO AND FROM THE ISLANDS)

The European Union wants to impose a ban on preferential ferry and plane prices for the islands (mainly Sardinia and Sicily) on Italy, so that Italian citizens who live on the islands but work or study on the mainland will be forced to pay much more for tickets to return home, just as much as tourists. Reinforcing the EU's claims comes Ryan Air's CEO saying that making Italian citizens pay less for a ticket to the islands 'interferes with free market laws according to EU rules: it's populist and Soviet-style stuff, which should be cancelled'. With these words and our government's servility to the EU, Italian citizens will soon see island ticket prices rise as well.

DISINTERESSE FUNZIONALE AL POTERE (FUNCTIONAL DISINTEREST IN POWER)

The last governments always promised great things in the election campaign and as soon as they got into government they did the exact opposite, disappointing their voters and alienating the people from politics and the ballot box. This is no accident. Turning away from politics favours the financial aristocracy of banks and multinationals. In their idea of the world, politics is a useless frill that can be replaced with an Excel spreadsheet; as they have done with anything that belonged to popular culture, politics is also deconstructed by making it a useless and harmless gossip to sell services: they rule us now.

THE UNITED STATES SINCE THE 19TH CENTURY HAVE HELPED TO SPREADING TERROR



Historical researcher Alessandro Pascale, starting with the famous Chicago riot of 1886 up to the present day, explains what strategies and techniques the United States uses to try to frighten the population.

PD, ARMOCROMIA E LA MANICA DI RIZZOMARCO RIZZO AL TG4



GOVERNMENT CONDEMNS EXTRA-PROFITS MEASURE TO BE REJECTED (MARCO RIZZO)

The government pretends it wants to tax extra profits to the banks by inserting retroactivity condemning this process





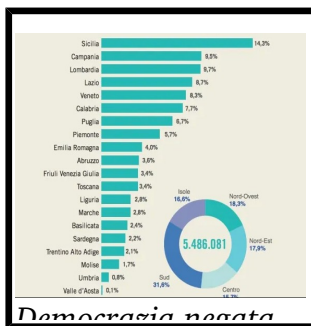
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- 2) **RELEVANCE AND PROBLEMS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY MANIFESTO** - [Video](#).
[Testo](#).
- 3) **HISTORICAL MATERIALISM AND DIALECTICAL MATERIALISM** - [Video](#). [Testo](#).
- 4) **INTRODUCTION TO MARXISM-LENINISM** - [Video](#). [Testo](#).
- 5) **CULTURAL HEGEMONY AND 'LIBERAL' TOTALITARIANISM**- [Video](#).
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- 10) **HISTORY AND PROBLEMS OF THE PCI** - [Video](#).
- 11) **SOCIALIST CHINA AND THE THINKING OF XI JINPING** - [Video](#).

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- VI. THE SIMPLISTIC IDEALISM OF COSMOPOLITANISM
- VII. THE TEACHING OF "CHE" GUEVARA
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