

EUROPEAN ELECTION 2009

FOUR QUESTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

In 1979 the first election of the European Parliament aroused great expectations and hopes that the era of building a democratic Europe on a federal basis had started.

Those elections were welcomed by the Peace Nobel Prize, Willy Brandt, as the birth of a "permanent constituent assembly." Another Nobel Prize, Andrei Sakharov, described the event as the launching pad of supranational democracy.

Unfortunately, those expectations and hopes have been frustrated and disappointed so far. Actually the present European Union it is still unable to tackle the security, economic, environmental challenges facing the Europeans today.

Only a true European Federation could achieve such goal

- Are the political parties and the candidates running for the European election willing to work to establish a European Federation?
- Can the European Parliament still play the constituent role wished by Willy Brandt and actually promoted by Altiero Spinelli after the first European election?
- If your answer is Yes, what is the agenda of the political parties and the candidates in the next European Parliament in this respect?
- If your answer is No, how and in which political and institutional framework do you actually think to revive the project of political unity for Europe?

The European federalists of Lombardy ask political parties and their candidates to answer these questions, and invite citizens to vote only for the candidates committing themselves to work within the new European Parliament for the creation of the first core of a European Federal State, endowed with powers and resources to effectively act in the new world balance of Powers.

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