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IX INTERNATIONAL GARDA LAKE SEMINAR

FEDERALISM AND THE EUROPEAN UNIFICATION

April 25-27, 2008

“WHAT FEDERALIST STRATEGY AFTER THE NEW TREATY OF LISBON ?”

Desenzano del Garda, Garda Lake (Italy)
Palazzo del Turismo, Via Porto Vecchio 36,

FRIDAY - APRIL 25

Afternoon	Arrival of participants
20.00	Dinner
21.30	Opening and presentation of the topics of the seminar Introduction of participants

SATURDAY - APRIL 26

9.30 – 12.00 Debate

“IS FEDERALISM STILL REQUIRED? STATUS AND PROSPECTS IN EUROPE AND IN THE WORLD”

Introductions by

- **LUISA TRUMELLINI**, Member of the Federal Committee of the UEF (*Union of European Federalists*) and of the MFE (*Movimento Federalista Europeo*)
- **David SCHNEIDER-ADDAE-MENSAH**, UEF (*Union pour l'Europe Fédérale*) Alsace

12.30 Lunch

14.30 – 16.30

Debate

“STATE AND FUTURE OF EUROPEAN UNIFICATION IN THE NEW WORLD BALANCE OF POWER”

Introductions by

- **FRANCO SPOLTORE**, Member of the Federal Committee of the UEF (*Union of European Federalists*) and Secretary of the Mario and Valeria Albertini Foundation.
- **PHILIP AGATHONOS**, Vice President of the UEF (*Union of European Federalists*), Permanent Representation of Austria to the European Union

Break

17.00 - 19.30

Debate

“WHAT FEDERALIST STRATEGY AFTER THE NEW TREATY OF LISBON?”

Introduction by

- **PAOLO VACCA**, Member of the Bureau of the UEF (*Union of European Federalists*) and of the Board of the Action Committee for a European Federal State
- **MICHELE CIAVARINI AZZI**, President of UEF Belgium
- **FRÉDÉRIC LE JEHAN**, Former Member of the Municipal Council of Strasbourg, Member of UEF (*Union pour l'Europe Fédérale*)

20.00

Dinner

SUNDAY – April 27

9.30 - 12.00

“STATE AND FUTURE OF THE FEDERALIST MOVEMENTS. THE ACTION FOR A EUROPEAN FEDERAL CORE”

Introductions by

- **MASSIMO MALCOVATI**, Member of the Federal Committee of the UEF (*Union of European Federalists*) and of the Board of the Action Committee for a European Federal State
- **YVES LAGIER**, UEF (*Union pour l'Europe Fédérale*) – France and Member of the Board of the Action Committee for a European Federal State

12.30

Lunch

Departure of participants

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PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

- The seminar is open to international participants coming from federalists and pro-European organisations and non-members who are involved or interested in the specific subject of the seminar (particularly the idea of a “core Europe” / “Europe of concentric circles”).
- There are no age requirements to apply.
- The seminar will run in parallel to an equivalent Italian seminar for students and new members.
- Main working language is English but some of the introductions will be in French and interventions in French during the debates will be possible.
- No participation fee is requested.
- A reimbursement of the travel costs is provided on the spot, up to a max of 130 Euro or 80% of the travel costs, whichever is less.
- Accommodation in a 3 stars hotel and meals from the dinner of Friday to the lunch of Sunday are provided and covered.
- TO APPLY: please contact any of the following
Paolo Vacca – paolovac@tin.it
Federico Butti – butti@venus.it
Luisa Trumellini - l.trumellini@libero.it
- Applications are encouraged as soon as possible.
- Final deadline for applications is the 5th of April.