

Freiburger Call: Liberal Europe as Confederacy of Sovereign States

By the Treaty of Rome a path had been taken towards a **Liberal Europe** as a **Confederacy of Sovereign States** with social market economy, personal responsibility, free competition, principle of subsidiarity, protection of private property rights, and free movement of goods, services, capital, and people.

In contrast, the European Union (EU) in the course of recent years, especially following the foundation of the European Monetary Union (EMU), set out on a journey towards a **Federal State with Centralistic Administration**, joint liability community, state-planned economy, and politically motivated market interference, both internally and externally and caused thereby a growing gap between the 'Euro-States' and the 'Non-Euro-States'.

- / The already existing misguided developments have brought about government crises and led to growing tensions with a high potential for conflict between the partner countries and its general population.
- / Even a split of the EU moves within the realms of possibility.
- / Several partner countries have reached a government debt, which is temporarily kept at a bearable level only by means of major transfer payments amounting to billions of Euros, without leading to a debt reduction.
- / High-debt Euro-States pressurize the less indebted ones and have already lifted the ban on the transfer of government debts to other countries.
- / The flagrant debt crisis of various Euro-States is misleadingly referred to as 'Euro Crisis'.
- / The mechanisms for the debt assumption of severely indebted Euro-States by lesser indebted Euro-States are misleadingly referred to as 'Rescue Package' or 'Euro Rescue Package'.
- / There is mounting international pressure on Germany to increase its liability contribution to the debts of other Euro-States step-by-step amounting to multibillions of Euros, in contrast to the contractually agreed no bail-out clause.
- / The international pressure on Germany has caused the government to accept the additive and thereby doubly effective or respectively parallel investment of EFSF- and ESM funds for indebted Euro-Partner States.
- / There is mounting international pressure on Germany to accept the establishment of Eurobonds and to co-finance them, in contrast to the contractually agreed no bail-out clause.
- / The German government has already signed the treaty for the ESM, which equips the Eurozone of the EU de-facto with a bank, namely ESM whose executive board enjoys immunity and has the right to demand liquidity or guarantees respectively from the Euro-States if needed.
- / In future, high debt Euro-States that apply for ESM funds will become significantly limited in their sovereignty and will be reduced to a kind of 'EU-Protectorate'.
- / The European Central Bank (ECB) intervenes in the financing of states by money creation and lending to banks of the Euro-States, contrary to its statutes.

Call by Free Democrats from Freiburg

**We are particularly concerned about the Future of Europe
and about the loss of our civil rights.**

**We call on all elected federal and state officials,
to fight with courage for justice and freedom:**

Against a Centralistic Europe as Federal State with Joint Liability Community !

For a Liberal Europe as Confederacy with Subsidiary Competences !

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