

Freiburger Positions

Control of ECB, ESM and Inflation in the EU as Confederacy

The ESM is running	--	into an uncertain future.
The ECB is buying	--	insecure state bonds.
The Inflation is growing	--	We All realize that.

Inflation gobbles up our money:

- ☒ Savings melt.
- ☒ Goods become more expensive.
- ☒ Retirement- and pension funds loose their value.

Germany as strongest EU-Partner bears the largest burden and responsibility

We as Liberals have the following positions regarding this dangerous development:

- 1) Enough of the risk redistribution to the tax payers.
- 2) ESM must get strict bans of bank license and increase of funds.
- 3) ECB must retreat to monetary stabilisation of the Euro.
- 4) The EU-Partners must retreat to strict contractual fidelity and to the no bailout clause for foreign state debts.
- 5) Inflation must not be the price for misdemeanour of almost all EU-governments.
- 6) A debt cut is urgently required for too highly indebted states.

We refer to our recent position papers (see <http://Liberalburg.de>):

o) Freiburger Call: 'Liberal Europe as Federation of Sovereign States', of 17. April 2012

o) Freiburger Support for Philipp Rösler 'Europe without Central Government, but rather with a Values- and Rules System', of 5. August 2012.

Text-Excerpts: 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. The European Union (EU) evolved from that.

Many mismanagements within the EU, especially the flagrant debt- and bank crisis in diverse Euro-States have led to high tensions between partner states and their people.

- Highly indebted Euro-States harass especially Germany with monetary- and liability demands.
- The European Central Bank (ECB) unduly manipulates the financing of States by illegal money creation and credits to banks of Euro-States .
- Euro-States threatened by insolvency, that will apply for financial aid at the EFSF, in the future at the ESM, will be down-graded to a kind of 'EU-Protectorate' and loose Sovereignty. This raises negative emotions in the affected population against the economically more healthy States especially against Germany.

Here are a few central quotations from a principal lecture by the FDP-Chairman Dr. Philipp Rösler on 5. July 2012 in Freiburg, which we support unconditionally:

„The question is whether we want a European Federal Government, or a common European Values- and Rules System. I am sceptical regarding a European Federal Government. Not because the German Government would have to say less. But the real question is: In which direction is such a Government going to rule? What are the political majority conditions? Does it correspond with our convictions and with our cardinal values? ...

All that shows that we do have indeed different opinions in Europe. Therefore it is not so easy to say, we have a European Federal Government and all problems would be solved. Instead one must go along the second path. Towards a common Value- and Rules System..“

(Lecture text: <http://www.bmwi.de/DE/Presse/namensartikel-reden-interviews,did=497662.html?view=renderPrint>)

For a Europe as Federation of Sovereign States

on the solid foundation of cultural diversity, sanctity of contracts, and competition, however not at the expense of inflation and new indebtedness by ESM and ECB.
