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ECONOMY

Shaping citizens and civil society
demands for the next five years

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Objectives

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- **NOT** the priorities of the European economy for the next 5 years...
- ...**but** the priorities of citizens on economic issues for the next 5 years!

... with a federalist twist?



Order of business

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1. Intro round
2. Brief brainstorming on economic issues
3. Institutional actors
4. Institutional priorities
5. Missing pieces and critical assessment
6. Grouping initiatives and prioritising
7. A citizens' campaign for a new European economy



Who sets the agenda?

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1. European Commission
2. European Parliament
3. European Council
4. Council of the European Union
5. ...and civil society!



What's on the agenda?

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- Green Deal for Europe
- Sustainable Europe Investment Plan
- InvestEU
- European Climate Bank
- Raise ETS price and extend scope
- European Unemployment Benefit Reinsurance Scheme
- Review competition rules
- QMV in taxation
- Just Transition Fund
- New Circular Economy Action Plan
- Industrial strategy
- Robust bank resolution and insolvency framework (BRRD)
- Complete CMU for SMEs
- Fight money-laundering
- FinTech strategy
- Private-Public fund for SME IPOs
- Complete growth markets for SMEs
- Use full flexibility within SGP (investment rule)
- European Semester aimed at SDGs
- Deepening EMU
- EU competitiveness and strategic autonomy in value chains
- Democratic Eurozone Governance
- Budgetary Instrument for Competitiveness and Convergence
- Complete Banking Union
- Common SRF backstop
- EDIS
- Fair taxation
- Digital tax
- CCCTB
- Strengthen competition enforcement
- Fight tax fraud
- Minimum wage
- Resilience to shocks (debt)
- Youth Guarantee as a permanent instrument to fight youth unempl.
- Carbon Border Tax
- Review Energy Taxation Directive
- Open and fair trade
- Trade: environmental, labour, human rights standards
- Reform WTO
- Screening of FDI's
- Enforce extraterritorial sanctions
- Cryptoassets
- Invest in Europe's digital future



Is anything missing?

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1. How to reinforce CMU?
2. How to ensure balanced Banking Union?
3. How to achieve QMV in taxation?
4. How can current EU budget finance all priorities?
5. Simplification of SGP and Fiscal Compact?
6. Democratic EMU: what about the ESM?
7. etc.



vdL's thematic priorities

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1. A European Green Deal
2. An Economy that Works for People
3. A Europe fit for the Digital Age
4.



We Are Europe: practise it!

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1. Split into assigned groups
2. Flesh up your thematic paperboard sheets
3. Identify missing priorities
4. Prioritise the **top 3** individual measures
5. Develop a campaign narrative
 - i. What's the underlying/unifying issue
 - ii. Why does it matter
 - iii. Find a slogan: «If the climate was a bank, it would already have been saved»



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