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EUROPEAN PROGRESSIVES CALL FOR THE G-20 TO SUPPORT FINANCIAL TRANSACTION TAXES

The [Europeans For Financial Reform](#) (EFFR) coalition, of which SOLIDAR is an active member, urges G-20 leaders to make concrete progress towards the introduction of an internationally coordinated financial transactions tax (FTT) at the G20 summit taking place today in Seoul.

This proposal for an FTT is not just wishful thinking, but a feasible initiative backed by experts. The recent International Monetary Fund (IMF) [paper](#) has pointed out that most G-20 countries have already implemented some form of transaction tax, so the only thing that is really needed now is the political will to harmonise them. The paper also confirmed that an FTT can generate substantial revenues, which are especially necessary for investment in social infrastructure. Read the [full media release](#).

Conny Reuter, Secretary General

SILVER ROSE 2011

SILVER ROSE AWARDS 2011 - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS OPEN

Each year, the [SOLIDAR Silver Rose Awards](#) celebrates individuals and organisations whose extraordinary struggles contribute to social justice and solidarity in Europe and throughout the world.

If you have individuals or organisations that you would like to nominate, please fill in the [nomination form](#) and send it back to us by **30 November 2010**.

SOCIAL AFFAIRS

PROMOTING PARTICIPATION IN POLICY MAKING AROUND SOCIAL INCLUSION IN SOUTH EAST EUROPE

Yesterday SOLIDAR participated in a [transnational seminar](#) organised by Belgian member Pour la Solidarité on the implementation of the Open Method of Coordination (OMC) in the field of social inclusion in Bulgaria and Romania compared to Belgium. [Read more](#).

THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE TO CREATE HUMAN RING AGAINST POVERTY AROUND THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

On the 19 November from 12.15-14.00, thousands of people including Members of the European Parliament, Commission, Committee of the Regions, EESC, European and Belgian NGOs, schools, social activists and trade unions will create a human ring against poverty around the European Parliament to call for a credible response to the crisis. SOLIDAR staff will be gathering at the orange point. [Find out more](#).

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

EUROPEAN COMMISSION CONSULTATION ON FUTURE OF DEVELOPMENT POLICY

On Wednesday 10 November, the European Commission launched a consultation on the future of the Development Policy. The Commission wants to open a dialogue with all interested people on how to improve the impact of EU development cooperation and EU aid policy. With this aim a Green Paper on "EU development policy in support of inclusive growth and sustainable development: Improving the impact of EU development policy" was presented to the European Parliament and launched.

SOLIDAR believes that looking at ways to improve the achievement of the most off-track MDGs the EU should (1) keep the progressive spirit of 2005 European Consensus on Development; (2)

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