

## **INTERNATIONAL MARCH TO BRUSSELS PROPOSAL FROM "15M MARCH TO BRUSSELS "**

Dear comrades from other countries .... The decadent socio-political, economic and environmental status quo installed in our system constitutes a complex international and intangible enemy. And in this struggle we have to act as quickly as our enemy. The awareness is growing everywhere and after that we need to coordinate . From the 15M Movement we propose that marches coming from different countries will join in Brussels not only to demonstrate in front of the European Parliament but along the way to share talks and to learn from each other and try to find together first at a European level and then at global level a way to fight back together. "Common sense is not common if it doesn't make sense" Now, we have the possibility and the duty to join forces together and build a world among all and for all.

On July the 25<sup>th</sup> the first route of the march will begin at Madrid heading to San Sebastian via Burgos and Vitoria. On leaving so early we want to take advantage of the momentum, with the different marches coming from the different parts of Spain and joining in Madrid.

The way to Brussels is very long and unless we start now, we won't have enough time to get there before the 8<sup>th</sup> of October. We have set the 8<sup>th</sup> of October, in order to promote and raise awareness towards the international day of action called from the 15M Movement for Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> of October.

### **Spanish routes and suggestions for possible international routes:**

During the march we will brainstorm ideas and proposals for the march as well as for the future, in order to start working together. We would like to agree on a common framework for action at international level, as well as promoting the international day of action for the 15<sup>th</sup> of October. We intend as well to organize international working groups to discuss about political and social alternatives in the short, medium and long term on different subjects.

In the march, there will be as well as walkers, caravans, cars and bicycles. In order to get to as many people and areas, the caravans could cover additional routes. Cyclists could spread the message and prepare the reception and stay in the different places along the way and they could be the ones in charge of providing water...

If enough people are interested a second route will start Barcelona, heading to Tours (France).

We propose and suggest that the routes from other countries such as Portugal, Italy, Greece, Switzerland, Belgium, Holland, England, Ireland, etc will coincide at some point in France and from this point (to be agreed) they will march together to Paris and from there to Brussels, where we will demonstrate on the 8<sup>th</sup> of October outside the European Parliament. After this day, we will return back to our countries in order to prepare for the global day of action on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **What you need for the march.**

We should try to bring as less luggage as possible, so as not to depend on cars, that should only carry the common food, water and material

#### **Proposal for luggage:**

- 1 pair of shorts
- 1 trouser
- 3 or 4 t-shirts
- Underwear and socks

Coat and a raincoat  
One sleeping bag (if possible appropriate for outdoors in case of need).  
Tent ( if you have one)  
Trekking

And if possible keep some space free in your backpack for laptops, material, and leaflets.

The number of support vehicles necessary (and therefore the cost of petrol) will directly depend on the number and type of luggage to carry them. Therefore we recommend to take very little luggage.

## **PREPARATION MEETING**

We call for Skype meetings on July the 23<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> at 16:00 p.m (Spanish time) Due to very short notice, these will be only initial contact meetings to discuss about the different international routes and to coordinate for wider and future meetings.

Two Skype forums will be used: one in English for everybody and another one in each country's language) and we will capture the different proposals in pired pad (text-building tool).

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*Web March to Brussels* (under construction)

Anyone interested in receiving more information and the route map, please send this e-mail back and we will send you the information, the Skype contact and the website (once this will be ready).

## **WE NEED TO**

Contact with legal advisers that may be interested in advising us. Especially we need to know about French and European regulations.

Create coordination groups to communicate and work collectively on Skype and on pired pad.

Translators to English for July the 23<sup>th</sup> meeting. Minimum 2.

English and French translators for the march.

Contacts from movements and individuals that could be interested. These contacts can be sent to the march e-mail to the website or you can contact them yourself if you prefer to do so.

Resources: food, laptops, camping equipment and petrol (barrels also accepted).

**ALL TOGETHER TO BRUSSELS, TO BUILD OUR FUTURE.**