Spotlight Report Launch Brussels

Who’s paying the bill? – Reshaping Governance for Sustainability

Wednesday, 11 September 2019
16h00 to 18h30

Venue:
EKD Office Brussels
Rue Joseph II 166, 1000 Brussels

Four years after the adoption of the 2030 Agenda the world is off-track to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). In order to turn the transformational vision of the 2030 Agenda into real transformational policies, there needs to be a shift towards more coherent fiscal and regulatory policies.

The implementation of the 2030 Agenda is not just a matter of better policies. It requires more holistic and more sweeping shifts in how and where power is vested, including through institutional, legal, social, economic and political commitments to realising human rights and ecological justice. This is the key message of this year’s "Spotlight Report on Sustainable Development" that is co-authored by a network of international NGOs, human rights organisations, think tanks, and trade unions since 2016.

In addition, policy coherence for sustainable development requires to fully take into account the externalities and spill-over effects of European policies, production and consumption patterns. With an emphasis on environmental and social impact beyond our borders, the "Spotlight Report Sustainability in Europe. Who is paying the Bill?" was published this year.

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15:30  Registration
16:00  Welcome remarks – Jens Martens (Global Policy Forum) and Leida Rijnhout (SDG Watch Europe)
16:15  Presentation of the Global Report – Antonia Wulff (Education International)
16:25  Presentation of the European Report – Patrizia Heidegger (European Environmental Bureau) and Roberto Bissio (Social Watch)
16:45  Comments by Udo Bullmann MEP
17:00  Open discussion chaired by Elisabeth Bolrich (FES Berlin)
18:30  Light refreshments

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