

## Literature List „Capitalism, Socialism, Social Market Economy and Current Transformative Policy Proposals“

### Day 1 Methodology and Epistemology:

1. Thieme, Sebastian (2018). "Spiethoff's Economic Styles: a Pluralistic Approach?." Economic Thought 7.1 (2018), pp. 1-23.
2. Spiethoff, Arthur (1952). The "historical" character of economic theories. The Journal of Economic History, 12(2), pp. 131–139.
3. Lippmann, Walter (1998 [1922]). Public Opinion, New York: Macmillan, pp. 104-119.

➔ Read one (or two) of the three texts and think about the following questions:

- What do they mean by economic style?
- How do they believe that observation and understanding of reality could work?
- What are stereotypes in contrast to the economic style approach?
- What is the performative impact of economic thinking?

### Day 2 Present Economic Organization & Narratives

1. Friedman, Milton (1962). Capitalism and Freedom, The University of Chicago Press, Chicago, London, pp. 15-26
2. Wright, Erik Olin (2009). Envisioning Real Utopias, pp. 72-84

➔ Read both texts and think about the following questions:

- What could be categories to differentiate between different economic styles and structures?
- What is the categories content when we look at different conceptions of economy?

### Day 3 Empirical situation

➔ Research and put together 5 power point slides with the stats you find most important within your group. Look for the longest time horizons possible.

#### Group 1: Political dimension

- How has the number of democracies and autocracies developed over time? What are the important markers in the numbers we can find?
- How responsive is the political system to the demand of different socio-economic groups? Take a look at this study [https://www.mpifg.de/pu/mpifg\\_dp/2018/dp18-5.pdf](https://www.mpifg.de/pu/mpifg_dp/2018/dp18-5.pdf)
- How do authoritarian attitudes (anti-semitism, racism, anti-feminism) develop over time? For Germany take a look here: [https://www.boell.de/sites/default/files/leipziger\\_autoritarismus-studie\\_2018\\_-\\_flucht\\_ins\\_autoritaere\\_.pdf?dimension1=ds\\_leipziger\\_studie](https://www.boell.de/sites/default/files/leipziger_autoritarismus-studie_2018_-_flucht_ins_autoritaere_.pdf?dimension1=ds_leipziger_studie) & for Europe <https://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2017/second-european-union-minorities-and-discrimination-survey-main-results>

#### Group 2: Socioeconomic dimension

- Research wages in Europe and their distribution with regard to job category <https://www.inequalityin.eu/en>
- Research the distribution of incomes and wealth here: <https://wid.world>

### Group 3: Economic dimension

- Research economic factors which you find relevant <https://tradingeconomics.com>

### Group 4: Environmental dimension

- What are the developments of resource use in the G20? <https://data.oecd.org/> Look specifically at: primary energy supply, greenhouse emissions, forest resources, waste & water
- What's the situation specifically in Europe? <https://www.inequalityin.eu/en>

### Non-mandatory reading

1. Roberts, Michael (2011). Andrew Kliman and the failure of capitalist production. <https://thenextrecession.wordpress.com/2011/12/08/andrew-kliman-and-the-failure-of-capitalist-production/>
2. Buckel, Sonja (2016). The dialectic of democracy and capitalism before the backdrop of a transnational legal pluralism in crisis. In: Blome, k.; Fischer-Lescano, A.; Franzki, H.; Markard, N.; Oeter, S. (eds.) (2016). Contested Regime Collisions, Norm Fragmentation in World Society. pp. 298-323

### Day 4 Appending different Transformative Proposals

**Group 1: Green New Deal for Europe – how to finance it** <https://report.gndforeurope.com/cms/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Blueprint-for-Europes-Just-Transition-2nd-Ed.pdf>, p. 9 -11, p. 20 – 34

- In which areas do the proposals break with the dominant narrative?
- Are these new narratives convincing to you, if no, why not, if yes, why?

**Group 2: Green New Deal for Europe – concrete policy areas**, p. 35- 54

- ➔ How effective would you grant these proposals to be for the challenges we have looked at empirically & analytically?

**Group 3: Commons Transition – analytical backgrounds**

1) <https://commonstransition.org/public-policy-for-a-social-knowledge-economy/>,

2) <https://commonstransition.org/open-design-commons-and-distributed-manufacturing/>

- In which areas do the proposals break with the dominant narrative?
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**Group 4: Commons Transition – policies**

<https://commonstransition.org/public-policy-for-a-social-knowledge-economy/>

- ➔ How effective would you grant these proposals to be for the challenges we have looked at empirically & analytically?