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TRANSITION TO 21ST CENTURY SOCIALISM IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

Contrast with 20th century Social Democracy
- Nationalisation of industry not at the centre – instead, right of labour to full value added
- Tie the Euro to the working hour
- Democratic economic planning at EU level

Long-term Goals
- Eliminate exploitation by pricing goods and paying workers in hours
- Direct democracy, including setting of tax and state spending
- Planning of industry to meet environmental and social goals, using latest Internet technology

Transformation I: monetary policy
- ECB placed under legal obligation to stabilise Euro in terms of labour
- Democratic control over ECB
- Value Policy Committee: economists nominated by Parliament, plus European citizens’ jury

From Euros to labour credits
- Sequence of steps
  - Stabilise labour value of Euro
  - Print hours on notes
  - Replace with non-transferable digital accounts

Transformation II: The right to full value added
- EU law must recognize that labour is sole source of value
- European right of employees to receive full value-added, enforceable via courts
- Right of employees to elect majority of board of firms
- Effect is to substantially abolish exploitation

Historical precedent
- Analogous to 13th Amendment to U.S. Constitution, outlawing slavery.

The financial crisis
- Excessive extension of debt was unsustainable, cause of crisis
- Bail out banks, or let them fail?
- Trillion-Euro bailout; mostly of advantage to millionaires

Response of central banks
- Reduce interest rate to near zero
- Create vast increase in Euro and Sterling credits
- Devaluation of debt burden is an objective necessity

Our response
- Cancellation of existing debts, other than personal deposits up to € 30K
- Interest on loans no longer legally enforceable

Benefits of debt cancellation
- Heavily debt-burdened firms able to resume activity
- Restore solvency to state finances
- Consumers able to resume spending
- Banking system becomes greatly more liquid