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## The Green New Deal for Europe (tweet)storms the European Parliament!

Opposed to the "Green Deal" by the European Commission, which is neither new or green, our <u>Green New Deal for Europe</u> promises to establish fairness, economic justice and sustainability to our continent - and the world.

Europe is a global driver of environmental breakdown. This is why we should lead by example to reverse that. While there are efforts underway to address this issue, such as the Green Deal by the European Commission, those contributions are not enough to tackle any of the crises facing humanity: environmental, economic or the decline of democracy. Activists across the continent (Greta included!) agree that ideas purported by Governments are insufficient.

Our <u>Blueprint for Europe's Just Transition</u> offers European leaders, activists and communities a comprehensive — and realistic — plan for the continent to meet the scale of the historic challenge ahead. Calibrated in the right way and implemented with urgency, the policies proposed in our paper could see Europe reach net-zero CO2 emissions within 5 years — a target that is consistent with the principle of equity as embodied in the "common but differentiated responsibility" clause in the Paris framework. Given Europe's greater responsibility for historical emissions and greater technological and financial capacity, it must lead the way.

For 10 days we've been showing how **The Green New Deal for Europe** recognizes our social and ecological problems and presents solutions for them. Our <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> accounts transformed into fountainhead of transition proposals. Now, we are moving forward with new action! To mark the **Global Climate Strike** on **March 19th**, we've turned our goals into **tweet-sized demands** and will direct a tweetstorm on this Friday at the **European Parliament's account (@Europarl\_EN)**. **How can you help? It's simple:** 

- 1. Visit our social media accounts on Friday 19th March from 9AM (<u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>)
- 2. On these pages we will provide a link to a document that contains the tweetstorm content!
- 3. Copy, paste and tweet to the European Parliament!

We are advocating for the weight of green transition not to fall on the shoulders of working families. Europe's green transition will not be top-down. It must empower citizens and their communities to make the decisions that shape their future.

## As Yanis Varoufakis, co-founder of DiEM25, noted: "Our vision is both realistic and revolutionary."

We cannot afford to wait around: we can begin to build the just transition today. This campaign aims to show how. We stand with Europeans across the continent.