



# Slovenia on the verge of bankruptcy, as the Euro-Domino continues

## Laibach's star pupil is failing - creating rules for leaving euro with Germany before the last domino falls

The Euro Domino goes unabated and Slovenia will be on the verge of bankruptcy by October said today the liberal Member of the European Parliament, Andreas Mölzer. "After Greece, Ireland, Portugal, Slovenia and Spain would be the sixth-euro country needing assistance. Falls in the euro zone are happening a stone at a time, and an end to the crisis is still not clear" said Mölzer.

"A few years ago Slovenia was considered a flagship candidate, thinking that the threat of



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insolvency should not even exist. However when having a look at the hard reality of the situation it has been cheated and talked up" Mölzer criticized.

Furthermore, the liberal MEP pointed out that the real question to put forward is "who should pay for the whole Euro-disaster". Germany, Austria and the Netherlands are already at the end of their performance, and if the financial shortfall in Spain is higher than previously thought, or if Italy should slip under the euro rescue package, it will also fall as the last domino. Therefore we need to quickly put into place rules for a resignation for the bankrupt states of the euro zone "concluded Mölzer.

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# Financial Framework: 2014-2020 - the EU must save



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Cuts in research and science are to be avoided by transfers in the EU budget and by the removal of subsidies for senseless gender projects.

The budget increase for the financial framework from 2014 to 2020 demanded by the majority of the European Parliament should be rejected, said EAF member Andreas Mölzer. "At a time in which the Member States are laced by austerity, Brussels should also save. Instead of calling for more money should finally take advantage of the myriad potential savings and reduce bureaucracy,".

Commenting on the possibility of risk for science and research in



case the increase in funds is rejected, he said: "Science and research area are important for our future, and savings shouldn't be made in these areas. Cuts can be avoided very easily by the redeployment of the EU budget. In addition, funds will be cleared by closing pointless EU agencies such as the so-called Fundamental Rights Agency or cutting funding for nonsensical gender projects".

In addition, the liberal MEP accented also the position of the National Member States - "The Member States also have to invest in science, research and development. If, in the discussion of the financial framework 2014 to 2020 we forget the Member States role, it is solely because the EU fanatics' dream of relocating everything to the Brussels level closed Mölzer.



# Good Food March Protest

As part of the "Good Food March" 1,200 activists rode for weeks across Europe, ending the March in Brussels to demand a real and lasting reform of the EU agricultural policy. The March was supported by numerous farmers on their tractors that concluded the March with a protest on the 19th September in front of the European Parliament. Their key demand was a fair milk price that allows the European dairy farmers to produce below cost, which stands in contrast to current EU policy that will bring liberalization of the milk market and the abolition of the milk quota - and by that directly endanger livelihood of many European dairy farmers.

The Austrian MEP and member of the European Alliance for Freedom Franz Obermayr actively showed his support with participation in the protest that took place in Brussels. He stated in way of explaining his active participation in the protest that "The dairy market in Europe is threatening to change drastically in the coming years. If the necessary steps are not taken soon, it

may mean the end for the Austrian mountain farmers". His main criticism is against the end of regulation of the dairy market and the consequent full liberalization of the milk market.

"That would bring to an end all dairy farmers that are trying to produce in geographically harsh conditions of the mountain regions. Competition as we now it will most probably disappear and will be replaced by competition between big dairy companies," said Obermayr. European Court of Auditors and the European Milk Board (EMB) which represents the interests of dairy farmers at the European level, consisting of 19 organizations from 14 European countries - share this view.

Obermayr fears that as a result of the liberalization of the market we will witness a flood of low-quality milk products from third countries, especially from China, which country is only a few years from becoming a net exporter from a net importer, and holds the world's lowest quality standards for milk.

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Obermayr therefore calls for an extension of the milk quota, the establishment of a European Monitoring Agency (producers, processors, retailers and consumers) and the Europe-raise in the cost of production and the corresponding quantities to be adapted in order to set a price range which regulates the price variations within the milk market.

"The European mountain farmers need milk prices in the range between 38 and 47 cents in order to survive. Only in this way can we ensure that in the future our dairy farmers can produce below cost



and be competitive to continue production," explained Obermayr.

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