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OVER THE EU RESCUE PLAN & INVESTMENT

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The real solutions can be found in tax justice, in the broad sense: whether it is the battles we are already waging, within the framework of own resources or outside (TTF, plastic, carbon, tax on wealth), or international negotiations, in particular at the G7, on a common minimum rate for corporate income tax. The other concomitant fight will obviously be in the relaxation of the budgetary rules of the Stability and Growth Pact, under penalty of seeing the specter of austerity return once it is reactivated in 2023. Of course, the EU is not a federal state; but in the comparison with the United States, a stage is missing from the “Europe rocket”. It is that of investments for the future, whether material (infrastructure) or intellectual (education, culture, R&D). Unfortunately, this brings us back to the weakness of the European budget, which we had already had the opportunity to denounce, and the absence (for the moment) of a second recovery plan or the sustainability of the common European borrowing mechanism. Because the obstacles are numerous and powerful, because the inertia specific to large vessels like the EU can be soporific insidious, the left has a duty to be ambitious and united to bring the alternative! »Source: French Social Ecologist MEP Delegation

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