



**Young European Federalists – Tuscany Regional Section**

in collaboration with

**La Spezia JFE Section**

presents a 2-day meeting on the occasion of the

**20th Anniversary of the Fall of the Berlin Wall**

Sunday, November 8

- 10.00 – 11.00 am Participants meet at Riomaggiore (SP) train station.  
11.00 am – 1.00 pm March along the “Love Path” from Riomaggiore to Manarola with European and MFE flags; leafletting.  
1.00 – 2.00 pm Lunch and train transfer to La Spezia.  
2.15 – 3.15 pm Street activities; leafletting.  
3.30 – 6.30 pm La Spezia, Piazza Battisti 1, Centro di Arte Moderna e Contemporanea,  
public meeting:

***The fall of the Berlin Wall.***

***A crossroads between World and European History***

- Speakers: prof. Luigi V. MAJOCCHI, University of Pavia; Tommaso VISIONE, University of Rome.  
Moderator: Francesco PIGOZZO, Secretary of GFE Tuscany.  
Also in attendance: a representative from ANPI La Spezia; Gianluca RAJA, GFE La Spezia; Piergiorgio MARINO, President of MFE Liguria; Stefano CASTAGNOLI, President of MFE Toscana; Simone VANNUCCINI, National Secretary of GFE; prof. Piero GRAGLIA, University of Milan.

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Monday, November 9

- 3.00 pm Street activities, leafletting.  
4.00 – 6.00 pm University of Florence in Novoli, Polo delle Scienze Sociali  
public meeting:

***1989-2009. From Berlin to the European Unity***

- Speakers: Luigi V. MAJOCCHI, University of Pavia; Pietro FINELLI, University of Pisa; Roberto CASTALDI, Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna, Pisa; Simone VANNUCCINI, National Secretary of GFE.  
Moderator: Alberto GIUSTI, Studenti Democritici.

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November 9, 2009  
20 years after the fall of the Berlin Wall

# **THERE'S ONE MORE WALL TO TEAR DOWN IN EUROPE**

**the one separating european citizens  
from a real supranational democracy**

- Let's tear it down! With **a real European Constitution and a real democratic Government**, accountable to citizens and states, capable of confronting European challenges and contributing to the solutions of global problems.
- Let's tear it down! By **waiving unanimous advancing**: the pursuit of unanimity at all costs only leads to low-profile agreements and mistrusting citizens. Those who are **ready for a real political integration have the right-duty to pursue it**.
- Let's tear it down! By **focusing again on the federal goal** which was the ideal core of the first European community: consensus must be gathered on goals!

**Only when this wall is torn down  
will we be able to really feel like  
European citizens.**

**The European Federation is the only  
means to achieve active participation to  
the world's destiny.**

**November 9, 1989:** as soon as the news spread that East Germany is about to open the border to the West, a large crowd gathers and tears down the wall which has been dividing Berlin for 28 years. One year later, on October 3, Germany is once again a single, federal state, while the dangerous remainders of the Cold War start to be dismantled all over Europe.

To those who fear the return of a nationalist self-centered Germany, the new state answers by strongly promoting the project of a unique currency. It is a crucial step and one of the most farsighted political acts in the history of Europe: the economically strongest country chooses to renounce its sound national currency in the name of longer term advantages, in exchange for a tighter and more democratic supranational political union.

Today, climate changes and unsustainable development patterns are jeopardizing the very survival of our species, human rights and affluence are in danger, even where they were taken for granted, while the risk of a global war is increased by nuclear proliferation and terrorist attacks. Under the pressure of this systemic crisis, initiative must again be taken by European citizens and countries to complete their political unification through a real constitutional deal: a common democratic government, with its own assets and budget, must be delegated to handle economic policies, foreign affairs and common security.

This is what Europe needs, this is what the world needs. The narrow-mindedness of small European powers and the inadequacy of the European Union as it is today (even with the Lisbon Treaty) are in fact the most serious obstacles to what European society and culture can still devise: creation of an environment-oriented economy, sustainability of globalization, democratic reformation of the UN and other international organizations, world peace.

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