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1. The island of sovereign peoples and democracy

On this island we will address citizenship and the distribution of power: the challenges we face for a democracy truly governed by its people. We will ask ourselves about those who are entitled to have rights and address inequalities, discourses, borders and different forms of violence. We will discover new forms of citizen participation and political culture, social oversight practices and new forms of power. We will inspire each other to forge a new social contract combining diversity, sustainability and justice, incorporating the feminist approach.

2. The island of living territories

The lives of people and the planet are pivotal here. Collective energies and initiatives are oriented towards this common goal and not towards speculation, insecurity, walls or violence. Safe, sustainable and peoplecentred feminist proposals for urban development. Homes for living, places where people can meet and express themselves, social policies geared to providing real care, healthy and (bio)diverse environments. Seas for life, not death. Initiatives to defend towns and cities, common property, food and energy sovereignty. Dialogues between towns and cities.

3. The island of economic alternatives

For this island, the economy is a means and not the end. It must respond in tune with the rhythms and capabilities of the planet and people. Instead of extractive, exploitative and polluting economies that generate and exacerbate different inequalities, we will learn about fair and ecological production and consumption networks, solar or fiscal disobedience initiatives, independent media, resistance from feminist and critical economics. Our shores are still reeling from the impacts caused by the wreckage of global disasters caused by, for example, multinationals, tax havens, free trade agreements, global care chains or labour exploitation.

4. The island of coexistence and dialogue

This island will be nurtured with the necessary ingredients for peaceful coexistence, free of violence, where there is space for everyone, also in harmony with the planet. Experiences from the spheres of education and communication, art and culture, the recognition of diversity and interdependence, the redistribution of resources and power, the expression of opinion and the occupation of public spaces, in order to combat so much poverty, obscene inequality, absolutist, colonialist, xenophobic and patriarchal discourses and practices.

5. The island of global sustainability and care

This island protects and defends life - the life of the planet, our life. To address the extremely serious eco-social crisis we are facing, we will examine the transformations necessary in key areas such as technology and knowledge, energy and climate, transport, food or the relations between cities and towns. A global appreciation will allow us to explain global crosscutting inequalities such as climate or gender-related migrations. The sustainability of life requires us to place life at the heart of all our initiatives and to promote the visibility of care in all its dimensions. This island will provide us with an urgent insight into democratic, economic and social frameworks, offering a potential blueprint for the societies and models that we need at global level.

6. The island of shared dignity

Fundamental rights articulated to truly guarantee decent lives and a just society. We will be presented with specific experiences of struggles and resistance against exclusion, insecurity and the defence of rights, notably ones that have achieved strategic and cross-cutting interactions. Spaces for empowerment and collective solidarity in areas such as housing, education, health, migration or decent work, driven by people with first-hand experience from different places and with different identities.

