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The London Festival of Europe 2008 is coming!

6th – 16th March 2008

The London Festival of Europe is an annual two-week series of events engaging with contemporary European politics, society and cultures. It promotes public discussion of European issues and celebrates cultural exchange.

After the success of the first London Festival of Europe in March 2007, the Festival 2008 sees an even wider range of events, including lectures, debates, music, poetry recitals and film. It takes place in a variety of venues, including Chelsea College of Art, London School of Economics, Hampstead Town Hall, the Italian Cultural Institute.

The London Festival of Europe is organised by the independent, non-profit group of writers, artists and activists European Alternatives, with the generous support of several cultural and academic institutions and organisation.

Highlights of the 2008 Festival will include:

March 6th: Opening lecture by **Bernard Stiegler**, director at the Centre Pompidou, Paris

March 7th/8th: **Contemporary Portugal:** A weekend of screenings, music, poetry

March 9th: The Future of European Political Parties, a keynote debate at the LSE to mark the 50th anniversary of the European Parliament.

March 15th: **European Feminism Summit** at Hampstead Town Hall

March 15th/16th: **A Congress of European artists**, writers, and curators to discuss the position of the artist in contemporary Europe.

All events of the 2008 Festival are free to attend.

More details and full program on: <http://www.festivalofeurope.eu>