Change language

DEP, or Democratic Evolution of Politics, will be a digital forum allowing people and organizations to discuss and develop political ideas together. This will be done partly by using logic systems to share knowledge and arguments.

Many organizations want to change the world, but despite often having similar views on things like human rights and the environment, most are too closed to collaborate. Instead, they stick to their own ideas and mostly discuss with like-minded people, making it difficult to find common ground and build cooperation.

DEP is meant to be a platform where people and organizations can share and discuss ideas on what policies need to change, why, and how. The forum will be as impartial as possible, and entirely transparent, so issues with it can quickly and constantly be fixed, to avoid misuse like manipulation. It will include discussions between different organizations, with some growing, some shrinking, and some merging. DEP does not mean to take sides on policy issues, but instead to serve as a neutral platform for dialogue.

People often recognize that they share the same reality, which means that their experiences and the reasons behind them exist in the same world. Based on this, one should be able to negotiate and consider analyses, perspectives, and values that can be drawn in common from this reality, and let this become the basis for agreeing on a political line as much as possible.

DEP wants to use a project called Derivation to do this most efficiently and productively. How it works is explained more in <u>its presentations</u> and other resources. Derivation is about connecting all knowledge in systems and making it accessible. In DEP, this would mean using logical chains of arguments to avoid rhetorical tricks and fallacies. This would make discussions more factual and goal-oriented.

To avoid rhetorical tricks, logical fallacies, and master suppression techniques, contributions in DEP can refer to arguments in Derivation, which are based on clear premises and logic. One can see which perspectives are mutually recognized, where inconsistencies exist, and how they can be avoided. The results of discussions can be saved and reused, so that old mistakes are not repeated and people can easily avoid refuted positions.

DEP will build on knowledge networks created from values and ideas about how things should be. Two political organizations may have different views on how society should work. One may have a certain view of economics based on certain reasons and opinions, while the other has a different view based on others. These premises can be discussed and defended, and the organizations can present their ideas and arguments on their websites.

Sometimes reasoning is inconsistent or based on incorrect information. Many people just repeat old ideas without thinking critically or feeling loyal to their organizations or ideologies. Therefore, it is important to constantly, constructively, criticize arguments and ideas when you think you can, to get to those that are more difficult, or impossible to criticize. If we share the same reality, we should be able to find common perspectives and knowledge.

Even without Derivation, DEP could work alright, as a meeting place to discuss ideas and theories. But to create a clear common ground, Derivation is very useful. There is still a lot of work to do to develop DEP, such as creating a clear theory of what the forum should look like, reaching out to similar projects, and finding people who want to help.

This document is the first published material on this project, so it is still an early sketch. If you have feedback, thoughts, or ideas, please join the <u>Derivation Discord server</u>, or email <u>derivation.project@proton.me</u>.