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NEURO--networking europe **2004 February 26-29 Munich** **Movements and technologies of the common**

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DATE AND LOCATION

February 26-29, 2004, Muffathalle, Munich (Germany)

SYNOPSIS

A new generation of media and network initiatives present and work on their projects in a broad interactive framework that explores the different conceptual and practical idioms used to articulate and create new social, political and artistic practices. Originating within the networking culture of open communications and free exchange the event aims to connect contemporary debates on mobility, migration and social movements with new media instruments, information and communication technologies.

ACCOMODATION

If you want to avoid high priced Hotel reservation, the organizers of NEURO can help you with lists of youth hostels or maybe arrange private accomodation.

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From February 26th to 29th young artists, filmmakers, musicians, theorists and activists from all over Europe and many other parts of the world will meet at the Muffathalle in Munich for NEURO; a number of events, speeches, discussions, presentations, performances, screenings, concerts and actions. NEURO is not only a conference, nor is it just a fair or a conventional festival. Rather it is a place for collaboration and common production. It's about a critical, connected practice and a practical critique of networking. It will host debates, presentations and reports on the results of ongoing projects and provide an opportunity to discuss new ideas, plan and start common projects.

First of all, NEURO stands for networking Europe. Only a few weeks before the official eastern enlargement of the European Union, it will promote the networking of new media initiatives and projects from within Europe; in and outside of the new borders. Though not an end in itself, networking is now raising more than ever questions that cannot be answered at straightaway: What does networking actually mean nowadays? What does networking have to do with freedom of movement? How do social movements network? How can technologies be used in ways that create social change on a broader level than the self? How do we conceptualise the common that is created in and through networks whilst not being reducible to them.

About two years after the first make-world festival, NEURO will again interface with current debates around migration and mobility, racism and nationalism, civil society and global mobilisation, networking and new technologies, informatisation and precarious labour, education and control society, common organising, and digital culture. NEURO will be a major opportunity for forming creative alliances - within a coherent discursive field - between all those that share the aspiration to raise theory and activity to a level adequate to the practice of digital generations.

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