

LaRouche Youth Bring FDR Policies to Italy

The LaRouche Youth Movement made headlines April 20 at the national convention of the largest partner in Italy's coalition government, the Democratici di Sinistra (DS) party. LYM representative Claudio Giudici of Florence was interviewed by the daily *La Stampa* on the second day of the convention, as a "critical voice" against the "free market" policies pushed by the DS (Left Democrats). Giudici called on the convention, which is expected to announce the dissolution of the party in order to join a newborn "Democratic Party," to look back at the FDR tradition, as represented today by the American statesman Lyndon LaRouche.

"Together with a group of friends, I have started to study the experience of the U.S. Democratic Party, the Roosevelt faction led by economist Lyndon LaRouche,

who does not want to throw away the great dirigistic tradition," Giudici was quoted in *La Stampa*. "Who said that the Democratic Party must be super free-market in economics? Both [Prime Minister Romano] Prodi and [DS chairman Massimo] D'Alema, have recognized that in words. But in deeds, the direction taken seems to be the [free-market] one. ... This Democratic Party being born now—is it just the party of the likes of Soros or of the oligarchs à la Felix Rohatyn?" Giudici and LYM member Flavio Tabanelli had intervened at the convention, which took place in Florence, distributing 500 pieces of literature on LaRouche, FDR, and the Global Warming swindle.

On April 21, the Italian LaRouche Movement intervened also in Rome, at the national convention of the Margherita party, the second leg of the future Democratic Party. About half of the 1,400 delegates received directly a copy of the mass tabloid *Solidarietà e Progresso*, and a special discussion paper on the Democratic Party. Claudio Giudici was interviewed by a private satellite TV channel, which aired the short interview the following week.

—*Claudio Celani*