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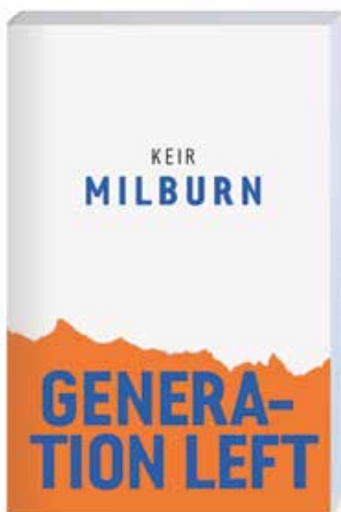
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Lapavitsas's call for socialist opposition to the EU upends the wishful thinking that often characterizes the debate and will be a challenging read for all on the left interested in the future of Europe.

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