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## GERMANY'S CENTER LEFT IS ON THE BRINK OF OBLIVION

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*If the Social Democrats dont want to disappear into the fringes, they have to decide, once and for all, what they stand for and who they represent.*

It is up to us to determine whether Germany will remain a strong country. No one else gets to decide. Not the White House, not the Great Hall of the People □ and certainly not the Kremlin. We decide, declared Lars Klingbeil, Germanys vice chancellor, minister of finance and co-leader of the Social Democratic Party (SPD).

But has the floundering man with three jobs finally found his courage?

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