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SUMMARY

Debt

» The Debt in Figures

by Eric Toussaint , Damien Millet

A necessary tool to understand the current global crisis, the data collected here by Damien Millet and Eric Toussaint (CADTM) should enable us to make sense of one of the basic reasons for the international situation, as seen from the viewpoint of the global South. From the 1960s to today's global crisis, the international network of the CADTM has constantly kept a critical eye on the world economy and the mechanisms of domination that affect it. Analysing various statistics is essential to (...)

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World Social Forum 2009 in Belem

» The 9th World Social Forum: new pathways and opportunities for the global alter-world project

by Leandro Morais

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» Declaration of the Assembly of Movements fighting to overcome debt domination

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» Interview of Sushovan Dhar in Belem

Interview of Sushovan Dhar (CADTM India) in Belem, to Al Jazeera

<http://www.cadtm.org/spip.php?article4012>

» Call for the signature of NGOs, trade unions and social movements Belem, February the 1st of 2009

For a new economic and social model

The financial crisis is a systemic crisis that emerges in the context of global crises (climate, food, energy, social...) and of a new balance of power. It results from 30 years of transfer of income from labour towards capital. This tendency should be reversed. This crisis is the consequence of a capitalist system of production based on laissez-faire and fed by short term accumulation of profits by a minority, unequal redistribution of wealth, an unfair (...)

<http://www.cadtm.org/spip.php?article4120>

» **Women's Assembly Declaration**

by Women Assembly

In the year in which the WSF joins with the population of the Pan-Amazon, we, women from different parts of the world gathered in Belem, reaffirm the contribution of indigenous women and women from all forest peoples as political subjects that enriches feminism in the framework of the cultural diversity of our societies and strengthens the feminist struggle against the patriarchal capitalist global system.

The world is currently experiencing various crises that demonstrate that this system (...)

<http://www.cadtm.org/spip.php?article4104>

» **The Forum and the new hope!**

by Sushovan Dhar

The Forum in its 8th edition decided to be at Belem in the Amazonian region of Brazil. This was to highlight the issues of the indigenous populations and ecology, both of which are facing a cruel assault in the region as in any other part of this globe. It was an important convergence witnessing a turnout of more than a hundred thousand participants from over 150 countries. There was a great deal of enthusiasm around the event and especially being an occasion of such a scale, at a crucial (...)

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» **Urban Movements Building Convergences at the WSF 2009**

by CADTM

The current financial crisis demonstrates the limits of capitalism, the hazards of malign neglect in its insufficient regulation and the rush to possess and consume more.

The financial crisis, with its manifold consequences, is just one of many threats to life in cities and human settlements everywhere, distorted by land speculation, urban megaprojects, agrobusiness and the privatization of public goods and services, multiply forms of social exclusion and the environmental catastrophe. (...)

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» **Shared concerns and issues emerging from the 1st science and democracy World Forum**

This text is the initial result of the 1st Science & Democracy World Forum which took place in Belem on 26-27 January 2009.

It has been written and accepted by citizens of 18 countries from 4 continents. It initiates an open and inclusive global process that seeks to build an international network of movements, organizations and individuals concerned about issues of science and technology and other forms of knowledge in relation to societal and democratic concerns. (...)

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» **We won't pay for the crisis. The rich have to pay for it !**

by Assembly of the Social Movements

Anti-imperialist, anti-capitalist, feminist, environmentalist and socialist alternatives are necessary.

We the social movements from all over the world came together on the occasion of the 8th World Social Forum in Belem, Amazonia, where the peoples have been resisting attempts to usurp Nature, their lands and their cultures. We are here in Latin America, where over the last decade the social movements and the indigenous movements have joined forces and radically question the capitalist (...)

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» **Is WSF Belem 2009 facing crisis of repetition?**

by Abdul Khaliq

The eighth edition of WSF 2009 was ended on 1st February 2009 here in the Amazonian city of Belem. About 133,000 people from 4,000 social movements and civil society organizations of 150 countries participated in this Forum. Eighty thousands people from the state of Para (the capital of which is Belem), thirty thousands from Brazil and twenty thousands from other countries got together.

The venue was the campus of Federal Rural University of Amazon. During the 5-day activity about 2,000 (...)

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» **Radicalize the alternatives**

by Josep Maria Antentas

The World Social Forum (WSF) held in Belem is a very significant one. It's the first WSF held after the outburst of the 2008 economic crisis. This crisis made evident the total failure of neo-liberalism and the destructive character of global capitalism. Besides, Brazilian Amazon is a privileged place to highlight the link between social and ecological crisis.

This Forum was celebrated after a long period of time in which the "antiglobalization" movement lost momentum and political (...)

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Global Crisis

» The dangers and opportunities of the global crisis

by Gustave Massiah

The alter-globalist movement has asserted itself as an anti-systemic movement that can provide a brighter future than the neoliberal phase of capitalist globalisation. The beginning of the global crisis is opening up new perspectives and giving it special responsibilities.

The alter-globalist movement, in its various significations, is a bearer of new hope born from saying no to destiny; this is the meaning of the assertion "another world is possible". We are (...)

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Morocco

» Solidarity with the activists object of repression in Sidi Ifni

Next February 12, will open the trial of Brahim Bara, Agharbi Hassan, Mohamed Ouahadani, Khadija Ziane and 18 other activists of the social movement of Sidi Ifni, in Agadir's Court. 12 of them are awaiting trial for more than six months in the overcrowded prison of Inezgane while 10 others are on bail.

Today, there is unanimity within the P, the Parliament, the press and civil society to recognize the merits of economic and social demands of the inhabitants of Ifni to stop the (...)

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