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## SUMMARY

### 9th CADTM International Seminar: Debt and human rights



#### » 9th CADTM International Seminar: Debt and human rights: what are the obligations of creditor states and International financial Institutions?

with 11.11.11 - Coalition of the North-south movement in Flanders and CNCD-11.11.11 - National Centre for Cooperation towards Development under the auspices of Olga Zrihen, MP Friday 26 November 2010, 'Maison des parlementaires', Brussels Cephas Lumina, UN independent expert on the external debt of developing countries, should participate to the international Seminar, but a few days before he had to cancel his coming. However, he send us the following statement: "I regret that I am unable to join you at this important conference. The theme of the conference (Debt and Human Rights) is a timely reminder of the privation that high foreign debt burdens occasion to millions around the world. (...)" [\[Read more\]](#)

### 4th CADTM South Asia Workshop

#### » CADTM South Asia meets in Colombo, Sri Lanka

by Stéphanie Jacquemont

From 9 to 11 December 2010, a series of activities were attended by delegates of CADTM from Sri Lanka, Pakistan, India and Belgium in Colombo. The monsoon, which usually prevails in this region from May to September, was invited to the party, presumably to remind the importance of COP 16 discussions, which took place at the same time, thousands of miles away in Cancun, Mexico. In short, it rained 8 hours per day. A year after the workshop in Dhaka, it was an occasion to exchange experiences (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

### 4th CADTM South Asia Workshop

#### » Global Crisis and Current debt scenario

by Eric Toussaint

Colombo – Sri Lanka 9-11 December 2010 South Asian CADTM Workshop: "Global Crisis and Current debt scenario" I. The debt of developing countries and developed countries First: which countries are we talking about? What is the size of their debt? We are talking about the countries designated as developing countries by international bodies such as the IMF, WB and OECD in the following regions: Latin America,

Africa, Middle East, Asia excluding Japan and South Korea, Eastern Europe. Size (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

#### 4th CADTM South Asia Workshop

##### » **Campaign for Abolition of External Debt of Pakistan**

by Abdul Khaliq

Presentation during the 4th CADTM South Asia Workshop, 9-11 december 2010. [\[Read more\]](#)

#### 4th CADTM South Asia Workshop

##### » **Sri Lanka : Debt and Development**

by B. Skanthakumar

Sri Lanka presentation at CADTM 4th South Asia Network workshop in Colombo, Sri Lanka between 9-11 December 2010 4th South Asia CADTM Workshop Sri Lanka presentation 9-10 Dec 2010. [\[Read more\]](#)

#### 4th CADTM South Asia Workshop

##### » **The IMF & Word Bank in the aftermath of the global crisis**

by Stéphanie Jacquemont

Presentation during the 4th CADTM South Asia Workshop, 9 december 2010. [\[Read more\]](#)

## Cancun

##### » **COP 16 ends: Cancun climate change talks disappoint global expectations**

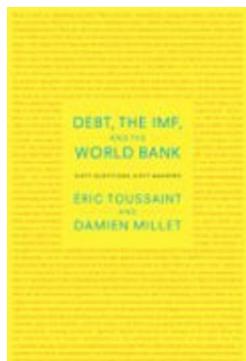
by Alianza Social Continental

In the early morning hours of December 11, 2010 a COP 16 Accord was announced. However the text of this Accord did not represent an advance on what came out of last year's "Copenhagen Accord", and instead signalled an acceptance of the earlier 'agreement' thereby evading any real solutions to the climate change crisis. Though there is talk of multilateralism having been rescued as a byproduct of this negotiating process, the reality is that final approval was only reached in negotiations that (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

## BOOK

##### » **Debt, the IMF, and the World Bank: Sixty Questions, Sixty Answers**

by Éric Toussaint and Damien Millet



Mainstream economists tell us that developing countries will replicate the economic achievements of the rich countries if they implement the correct "free-market" policies. But scholars and activists Toussaint and Millet demonstrate that this is patently false. Drawing on a wealth of detailed evidence, they explain how developed economies have systematically and deliberately exploited the less-developed economies by forcing them into unequal trade and political relationships. Integral to this arrangement are the international economic institutions ostensibly created to safeguard the stability of the global economy—the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank—and the imposition of massive foreign debt on poor countries. The authors explain in simple language, and ample use of graphics, the multiple contours of this exploitative system, its history, and how it continues to function in the present day. Ultimately, Toussaint and Millet advocate cancellation of all foreign debt for developing countries and provide arguments from a number of perspectives—legal, economic, moral. Presented in an accessible and easily-referenced question and answer format, Debt, the IMF, and the World Bank is an essential tool for the global justice movement (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

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##### » **23-01 => 6-02. 2011 FSM's social movements caravanes**

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» **6-02 => 11-02 | Dakar, Senegal. World social forum**

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