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SUMMARY

Debt and austerity in European countries

» Eric Toussaint: "All the loans accorded by the Troika are illegitimate"

by Eric Toussaint, Ana Benačić

Ana Benačić : Mr. Eric Toussaint, you are a political scientist and historian. PhD in Political Science from the University of Liege (Belgium) and Paris VIII (France), Senior lecturer at the University of Liege, President of the Committee for the Abolition of Third World Debt (an international (...)) [\[Read more\]](#)



Video

» Coordinated efforts in Europe and North Africa to fight against Debt and Austerity

The International Citizen Debt Audit Network – ICAN, has been born under the slogan "We don't owe! We won't pay!", bringing together movements and networks in different European and North African countries, fighting austerity measures through the implementation of Citizen Debt Audits(...) [\[Read more\]](#)

Greece



» Resisting with the Greeks

by CADTM Europe

In the recent elections on May 6, Greek voters sanctioned the coalition forces which had applied austerity plans and surrendered to the dictates of the Troika (the IMF, the ECB and the European Commission). New Democracy and the PASOK (Pan-Hellenic Socialist Movement) have thus paid the price (...) [\[Read more\]](#)



» Greece : The IMF and Lagarde get it wrong

by Damien Millet, Eric Toussaint

Christine Lagarde, managing director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), has made a declaration concerning Greece and Africa that requires explanation. The third world debt crisis started thirty years ago. Under strong and increasing pressure to export, the poor countries bore the brunt (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

In solidarity with the Greek people, against illegitimate debts and austerity measures, let us mobilize!

» For joint actions around the Greek elections, and for large Euro-Mediterranean's mobilizations in autumn 2012!

The response to the financial and economic crisis is the same everywhere: cuts in expenditure and austerity measures under the pretext of reducing deficits and the repayment of a public debt which is the direct outcome of 20 years of neoliberal policies. Governments in the service of finance (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

» Create one, two, three, many Greeces!

by Sonia Mitralias

Comrades, I come from Greece, a country destroyed and desperate, a country in ruins but still standing tall. From this Greece that resists and has shouted a huge magnificent "No" to its torturers: the Troika and the IMF, the Brussels Commission and their Merkel and Schäuble, their Barrosos, (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

Video



» Catastroïka

by Katerina Kitidi, Aris Chatzistefanou

The creators of Debtocracy, a documentary with two million views broadcasted from Japan to Latin America, analyze the shifting of state assets to private hands. They travel round the world gathering data on privatization in developed countries and search for clues on the day after Greece's (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

Balkans

» Sarajevo : Birth of a hope at the Antifest

by Eric Toussaint

Sarajevo, capital of Bosnia-Herzegovina, a country ravaged by a war that between 1992 and the beginning of 1996 caused 100.000 deaths (exact figures are unavailable), is certainly looking a lot better but the social situation is dramatic. One statistic says it all: unemployment is at 45 %. (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

» Balance of the first Balkan forum: another Balkans is possible

The 1st Balkan Forum took place within the 2012 Subversive Forum in Zagreb on May 17th and 18th and gathered up to 40 progressive organisations and movements from across the region. During two days of intensive discussion panel participants and audience members analysed current social struggles (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

North Africa



Video

» Tunisia: The yezzina meddyoun (stop the debt) campaign

by Collectif ACET

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» The Popular Campaign to Drop Egypt's Debt Call to European national MPs and MEPs: To demand from the Egyptian government an audit of Egypt's debts to EU countries through an independent committee

Preamble The end of the Mubarak dictatorship left Egypt with a heavy legacy of failed economic policies and a misshaped sovereign debt management with projects not necessarily benefiting the vast majority of the Egyptian population. Today, Egypt bears the burden of a public external debt (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

Ireland



Press release

» Irish Campaign supports ECB protest in Frankfurt

The Anglo: Not Our Debt campaign has lent its support to a protest taking place today at the European Central Bank (ECB) by Irish groups and individuals demanding debt justice. Campaign spokesperson Andy Storey said that the protest was especially timely as the German government has just told (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

» Irish People Bullied into Voting Yes – An Explicit Campaign of Blackmail Waged against Potential ‘No’ Voters

by Campaign Against the Austerity Treaty

Campaign Against the Austerity Treaty Press statement – June 1 – immediate release Irish people bullied into voting Yes Referendum result is not a mandate for home and water taxes Labour’s way IS Frankfurt’s way The government and the EU have succeeded in bullying the people of Ireland into voting (...) [\[Read more\]](#)



» Ireland. Anglo is Not Our Debt! Stop the Repayments!

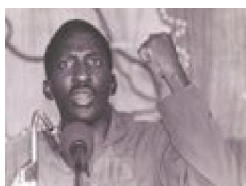
People in Ireland have joined millions of people worldwide repaying unjust and illegitimate ‘debts’. Ireland’s repayments of the now dead Anglo-Irish Bank’s debts could reach over €47 billion by 2031 if the repayments are not suspended! That’s over €26,000 per working person. Take Action! (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

Rio+20

» The issues in Rio+20

For Unity and Mobilization of peoples For Life and Commons, social and environmental Justice Against Commodification of Nature and « Green economy » One month before the United Nations Conference Rio+20, peoples of the world don’t see any positive advances in the negotiation process going on (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

Call for an international mobilisation against public debt to pay tribute to Thomas Sankara



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In our world of crisis and to resist the various attacks against the populations through the worldwide austerity policies, time has come for the world’s peoples, South and North, to respond to Thomas Sankara’s call by presenting a united front against public debt.(...) [\[Read more\]](#)

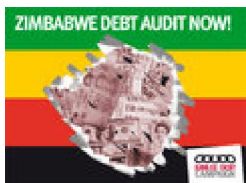
Thirty years of global debt crisis

» REPORT : The State of Debt

by Jubilee Debt Campaign

Putting an end to 30 years of crisis Thirty years of debt crisis have devastated livelihoods across the world. Debt cancellation finally released some countries from one debt trap, but the First World Debt Crisis shows yet again why reckless lending and borrowing need to be governed and (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

ACT NOW: Support Debt Justice for Zimbabwe

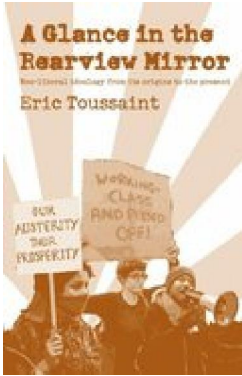


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With fresh elections due next year, debt campaigners in Zimbabwe want lessons learned about the country’s \$7 billion debt. Take action now to support their call. Zimbabwe stopped paying most of its debts in the year 2000. Since then, Zimbabweans have faced economic chaos and social upheaval. But today there is new hope. [\[Read more\]](#)

BOOK



» Glance in the Rear View Mirror. Neoliberal Ideology From its Origins to the Present

by Éric Toussaint

As the financial crisis continues to shake the global economy it has begun to expose cracks in the ideological edifice long used to justify neo-liberal policies of privatization and austerity. This informed and accessible primer drives a wedge into these cracks, allowing the non-experts among the 99% to understand the flaws in the economic philosophy of the 1%. (...) [\[Read more\]](#)

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