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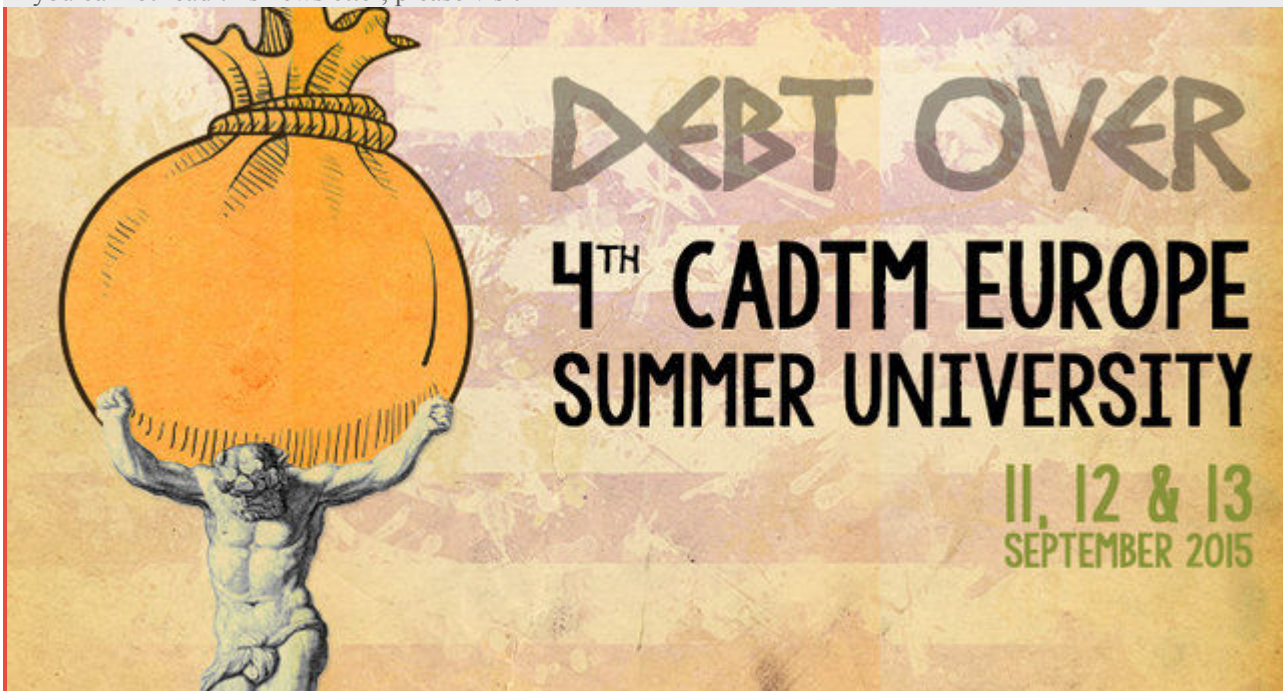
COMMITTEE FOR THE ABOLITION  
OF THIRD WORLD DEBT

# NEWSLETTER

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## EDITO

The Greek people have expressed their disapproval of the austerity, imposed by the Troika more than once. In January 2015 by electing Syriza, a week ago at the referendum and also, in May 2012 when the European powers fearing a Syriza victory and its anti-austerity programme, threatened the Greeks with dire consequences.

In spite of a total rejection of the devastating policies imposed on Greece for the last 5 years, an accord that protracts the damage to the Greek state and will further impoverish the population, was signed on Monday, July 13 at the Eurozone heads of state meeting. During the night from 15th to 16th July, the agreement was adopted

by the Greek Parliament thanks to the support of three right wing parties (PASOK, Potami, New Democracy) that voted with Tsipras while 32 Syriza MPs voted against and 7 abstained.

The creditors made Alexis Tsipras yield exploiting the menace of the Grexit. This has also created terrible disillusionment within the Greek people and movements struggling for social justice and respect of rights.

We publish [the speech of Zoé Konstantopoulou](#) where she explains her refusal to accept this “accord”. The support and solidarity for the Greeks is of paramount importance in these troubled days in Europe.

There are alternatives to this false dilemma between the humiliating austerity and the Grexit, imposed on Greece.

Along with the suspension of payment of the illegitimate, illegal, odious and unsustainable debt, Eric Toussaint in his article ["Greece: Alternatives to the Capitulation"](#) proposes several measures to be urgently adopted in order to genuinely defy the creditors.

Contrary to the widespread claim that suspending payment would result in exiting the euro, it would have been possible to stay in the Euro if a series of sovereign measures of self-defense and economic recovery such as a strict control on banks, currency, and taxation had been implemented. It would have been perfectly possible to eschew the ECB's, the Eurogroup's and the EC's unacceptable and illegitimate injunctions. The Tsipras government decided otherwise, and this has led to a tragic subordination to EU supervision, to more austerity and to the selling off of the Greek national heritage.

After the Greek Parliament adopted the disastrous agreement, an alternative must include the possibility of voluntarily exiting the Euro Zone if the Greek people support this prospect. This option is comforted by the Greek Parliament's capitulation on July 16th and by the very content of the agreement. Moreover the Greek people will soon understand that if they want a future that includes justice and emancipation, Greece must get out of the euro zone.

## SPECIAL GREECE



More than five months after the victory of Syriza in parliamentary elections in Greece, creditors continue to put pressure on the government. The “institutions” tirelessly seek to impose on Greece the continuation of the memoranda conditions, the very same that has led Greece into an unprecedented humanitarian, social, economic and political crisis. The preliminary report of the debt truth committee has shown the, almost entirely, illegitimate, illegal, odious and unsustainable nature of the debt. Faced with the intransigence of the institution's proposals, Alexis Tsipras has announced that (...)

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## GREECE

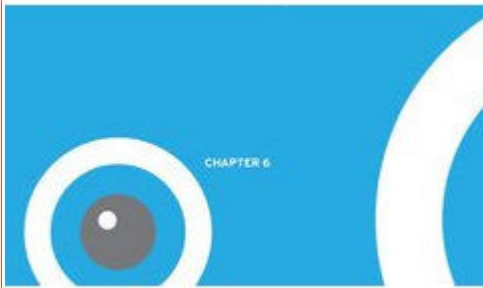


## **Greece: Alternatives to the Capitulation**

Eric Toussaint

On 5 July 2015, by a referendum initiated by the government of Alexis Tsipras and the Hellenic (...)

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## **The impact of the “bailout” programme on human rights**

Truth Committee on the Greek Public Debt

The Troika’s bailout programme enforced government measures that directly impacted living (...)

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## **“Not at the cost of human rights” – UN expert warns against more austerity measures for Greece**

United Nations - Human Rights

ADDIS ABABA / GENEVA (15 July 2015) – The United Nations Independent Expert on foreign debt and (...)

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## **Black days: 4<sup>th</sup> August 1914 Germany and 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015 Greece**

Yorgos Mitralias

The black day 13th July 2015 Greece can claim a single historical precedent: August 4th, 1914, (...)

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## **Legal Brief Prepared for the Special Committee of the Hellenic Parliament on the Audit of the Greek Debt (Debt Truth Committee)**

Olivier De Schutter, Margot E. Salomon

Abstract : This legal brief was prepared at the invitation of the Speaker of the Greek (...)

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## **Zoe Konstantopoulou: NO to ultimatums, NO to the memoranda of servitude**

Zoe Konstantopoulou

The speech delivered early in the morning of July 11 by Zoe Konstantopoulou, president of the (...)

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## Video : Debt crisis in Greece and in the EU

Eric Toussaint, Michael Hudson, Dimitris Papadimoulis

Conference by Eric Toussaint (CADTM) and Michael Hudson (Levy Economics Institute, USA) (...)

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## Letter Addressed to President of the European Parliament Mr Martin Schulz

Zoe Konstantopoulou

The need for Parliaments to guarantee full respect of democratic procedures and the protection (...)

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## ‘Cancel Greek Debt’ Projected On German Embassy In London

Jubilee Debt Campaign

Last night activists from Global Justice Now and Jubilee Debt Campaign projected “Cancel Greek (...)

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## Closing speech of PM Alexis Tsipras in the European Parliament on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015

Alexis Tsipras

This meeting should have taken place a long time ago. Because the debate we are having today is (...)

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## Introductory speech of PM Alexis Tsipras in the European Parliament on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015

Alexis Tsipras

Honorable Members of Parliament, it is an honor for me to speak in this veritable temple of (...)

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## Four actions for Debt justice to Greece

Eric Toussaint

Dr. Eric Toussaint, President of CADTM and scientific coordinator of Greece Truth Committee on (...)

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## Audit the debt, cancel it!

Aris Chatzistefanou

The Hellenic Parliament established the Truth Committee on Public Debt in April 2015, mandating (...)

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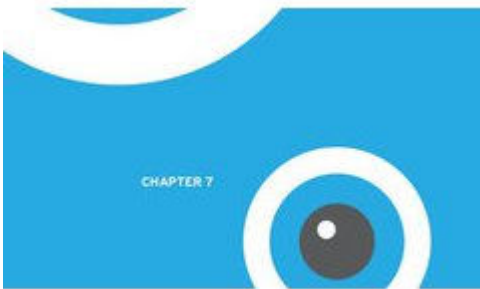


## Greece: A Moment of Great Decisions

Stathis Kouvelakis

Despite media misinformation and EU blackmail, anti-austerity forces in Greece remain strong (...)

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## Legal issues surrounding the MoU and Loan Agreements

Truth Committee on the Greek Public Debt

Summary : Greece bears primary responsibility for violations exposed in Chapter 6, but such (...)

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**ALTERNATIVE**



## Is BRICS a True Alternative?

Patrick Bond

The \$100 billion BRICS New Development Bank aimed at providing capital to the developing world (...)

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**UKRAINE**



## History of accumulation of the Ukrainian sovereign debt, defaults and its effects on the economic development of the country

Zakhar Popovych

1992 the National Bank of Ukraine began to issue loans and state guarantees for foreign loans (...)

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## MAROC



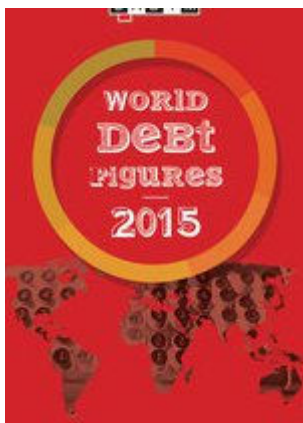
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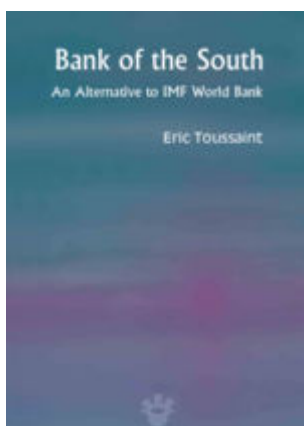
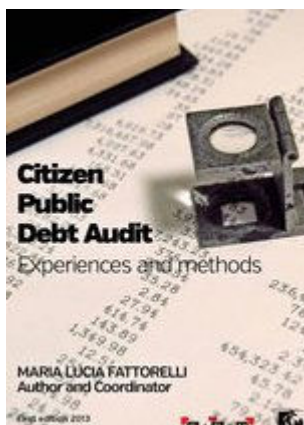
Recently Morocco has seen a number of cases of mob violence spontaneously committed by citizens (...)

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