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EDITO

The struggles against austerity policies continue around Europe and also in other parts of the World. CADTM and ATTAC organised a European Citizens' Assembly on Debt in Brussels on 16th October to challenge mainstream discourses on Debt and also to prepare a road map for the future. Prominent speakers included Zoe Konstantopoulou, former Speaker of the Hellenic Parliament, Philippe Lamberts, MEP (Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance), Miguel Urban, (MEP Podemos-Spain), Eric Toussaint (CADTM) and others.

Private banks have historically played a major role in fomenting debt crises around the world. In several countries, private banks have been bailed out by governments and their debt transformed into sovereign debt. The latest crisis, created by rich private bankers, was shifted on to the shoulders of common citizens, so immiserating their lives further. *Bankocracy* by Eric Toussaint explores the collusion between private banks and the government and how this nexus acts to create conditions and mechanisms for the continuous transfer of wealth from the poor to the rich. We are happy to announce the launch of the [English translation of the book](#). We also take pleasure in making it freely available for the public.

The 4th CADTM Europe Summer University, held at Namur (Belgium) witnessed major discussions around debt in the South, debt in the North, environmental debt, audit, and feminist struggles. A number of speakers and participants discussed the feminisation of the debt burden aggravating the oppression of women and other marginalised and vulnerable groups in the society.

Debt audit



Zoe Konstantopoulou at the European Citizens' Assembly on debt

Zoe Konstantopoulou

In Greece as everywhere else, debt is an instrument to subject the people to the interest of (...)

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European Citizen's Assembly on Debt

Political Economy Research Centre

On the 16th of October 2015 representatives from PERC attended the European Citizen's Assembly (...)

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Banks



Bankocracy

Eric Toussaint

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World Bank



Doing Business 2016's reformed indicator will favour land-grabbing

Tiago Stichelmans

the World Bank makes it easier for foreign investors, at the potential cost of local (...)

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Commercial agreements



International trade: UN expert calls for abolition of Investor-State dispute settlement arbitrations

Office of the Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order

NEW YORK (26 October 2015) – “Trade must be made to work for human rights and development and not (...)

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Greece



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What if the Greek government had heeded the Truth Committee's recommendations?

Eric Toussaint

During a press conference held by the Truth Committee on the Greek Public Debt at the Greek (...)

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Greece : “Ignoring the result of the referendum is an aggravating circumstance.”

Eric Toussaint, Fátima Fafatale

The conclusion of the last meeting of the Greek Debt Truth Committee, held from 22 to 25 (...)

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When Tsipras is eliminating any trace of his opponents!

Yorgos Mitralias

So now here we are: the new Tsipras government has just resolved two of its major problems: (...)

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Greek Community Clinic of Elliniko rejects the European Citizen's prize awarded by the European Parliament

Fátima Fafatale

The self-managed Metropolitan Community clinic of Elliniko rejected the European Citizen's Prize (...)

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Cadtm university



Radio WIBG: Lauren Tooker on student debt and women bearing the brunt

Brigitte Marti, Lauren Tooker

At the CADTM Summer University, the workshop on private debt and resistance broached the system (...)

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Radio WIBG: Emilie Paumard: Women's oppression and the debt work together

Brigitte Marti, Emilie Paumard

Emilie Paumard opened the plenary session of the 4th summer University of the CADTM. She (...)

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Radio WIBG interview: Tijana Okic

Brigitte Marti

From the CADTM Europe Summer University: The second day offered many workshops to continue the (...)

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Radio WIBG: Christine Vanden Daelen: Fighting the debt system is a feminist struggle!

Brigitte Marti

The CADTM summer university was articulated around five themes, one of which was Feminist (...)

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India



The Denial of Minimum Wage should be a Cognizable Offence

Sushovan Dhar

Fulltime trade unionist of the Progressive Plantation Workers' Union and Executive Council (...)

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Sri Lanka



Foreign commercial debt still higher than concessional

Paneetha Ameresekere

Despite the seemingly best efforts by the present regime to limit foreign commercial (...)

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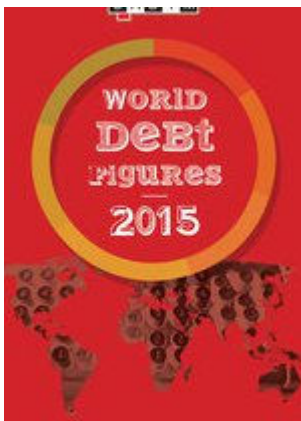
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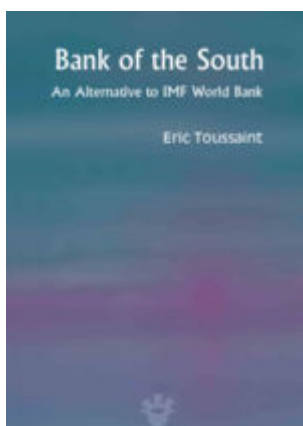
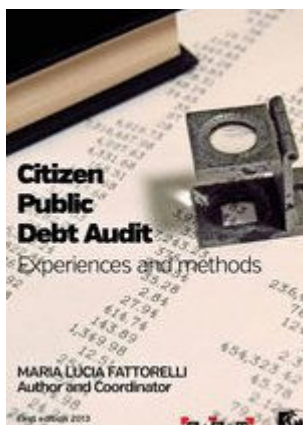
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As you know, CADTM has been deeply involved in the struggle for the abolition of the debt demanded from Greece. It was under the impetus of CADTM that a commission to audit Greek debt was created in March 2015. This auditing task is achieved by the voluntary work of the commission members helped by numerous CADTM members who have brought valuable assistance to the cause of bringing to light the truth about the Greek debt. Please support the CADTM.

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