



WEEK OF PEOPLES MOBILISATION

Geneva 12-19 October 2019

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5th OEIGWG Session on the
UN Binding Treaty

on Transnational
Corporations and

Human
Rights

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POWER



ACTIVITIES IN THE CITY OF GENEVA

In order to challenge corporate power and the system that protects and benefits it, it is necessary and urgent to give a systematic response. We must unite our experiences, struggles, collectively learn from our victories and our failures, share strategies and analysis in order to curb the impunity of the transnationals. The United Nations Binding Treaty process on transnational corporations and human rights constitutes a space, within the framework of the Human Rights Council of the United Nations, from where we can

force corporations to respect human rights, creating a mechanism so that affected states and peoples can sue transnational corporations.

The 5th Session of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group (OEIGWG) mandated to elaborate the UN Binding Treaty in Geneva will take place from October 14 to 18. The Global Campaign to Reclaim Peoples Sovereignty, Dismantle Corporate Power and Stop Impunity, jointly with local allies will be there again, as every year since 2014, to continue to pressure governments and prevent them from derailing the process. At the occasion of the Week of Peoples Mobilisation convened by the Global Campaign in Geneva from 10th to 19th October, you can find at this booklet the activities taking place in the city of Geneva.

TO SEE THE ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE IN THE UN CONSULT:
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THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER

University of Geneva, UNI-MAIL, SALLE MR070
(Boulevard du Pont d'Arve, 40, Tramway 15, Stop UNI-MAIL)

OPENING EVENING OF THE WEEK OF PEOPLES MOBILISATION

Let's decolonise (2nd edition)

This is our response to the celebrations of the conquest of the Abya Yala continent on October 12, 1492 that takes place in Spain and in some countries in America, which challenges us to deconstruct the historical, political, mental and social structures inherited by colonization.

This colonial expansion involved 3 continents - Europe, America and Africa - and resulted in one of the worst genocides in history, estimated at 56 million Indigenous deaths. It also gave rise to the triangular trade that created the black slave trade and a large-scale slavery system with an estimated 27 million African people captured and deported. This violent, bloody and usurping capitalist logic continues today under a new form: government-backed multinationals occupy,

destroy, pollute, plunder land and its natural resources, produce wage slavery around the world and criminalize socio-environmental defenders and activists.

Yesterday against the Western colonizers, today against capitalist globalization, women occupied and occupy a central place in the Indigenous resistance: captains, army chiefs, warriors, trade unionists, activists, despite the patriarchal and racist colonial heritage, they have waged a relentless struggle while assuming the fundamental role of cultural, social and political transmission.

On October 10, African-Indigenous women will be honoured. Marginalized in official history, invisible in the current struggles for their survival, they will be with us and we will celebrate their courage, strength and perseverance for a better world.

ON THE AGENDA:

From 4pm, 1st cultural part in partnership with «Festinhumour». Exhibition «Femmes Afro-Indigènes et décolonisation» will take place at the Hall with a contemporary art exhibition by Alessandro Biagini (Italy): «Un élan pour aller loin»

From 5 pm, Gladys Corredor «La Chiky» will tell us about the Indigenous Women's Resistance (Switzerland-Colombia) followed by **Maria Andrea Pérez Berrío** who will make a poetic decolonial reading of ancient myths and legends (Asociación Urabá Global Suiza-Colombia)

6.30 pm. Part 2, after a brief introduction of the lectures, we will have the pleasure of listening:

• **Marie-Andrée Ciprut**, who will highlight the contribution of women in the struggle led by **Aimé Césaire** (1913-2008), poet and emblematic figure of decolonization and of the political-literary movement of Martinique's negritude.

Followed by the presentation of «4 femmes, 4 luttes» presented by the Bloc Solidarité Amérique Unie:

- **Maria Remedios del Valle**, late 20th century Afro-Argentine captain by Miriam/Argentina para la Victoria
- **Margarida Maria Alves**, trade union leader from Brazil during the military dictatorship of the 70s and 80s by **Adriana Barros Foggiato/**Comité Lula Libre Genève
- **Berta Cáceres**, Lenca activist against the dam project, Agua Zarca of the Honduran national company, Desarrollos Energéticos SA (DESA) by **Ynes Gerardo**
- **Macarena Valdés**, Mapuche activist against the Austrian multinational RP Global in Chile by **Wara R./**Red Mapuche Suiza

An aperitif will conclude this evening

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER

Zone Piétonne du Mont-Blanc, Geneva 1.30PM

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION FOR THE AMAZON, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND CLIMATE JUSTICE STOP CORPORATE IMPUNITY AND FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS

Convenors: Bloc Solidarité Amérique Unie, ATTAC-GE, BADIL, BreakFree, CADTM, CETIM, CGAS, Coordination Climat et Justice Sociale, Climate Strike GE, Collectif contre la spéculation sur les matières premières, CUAE, Groupe écosocialiste de solidaritéS, IndustriALL Global Union, Marche Mondiale des Femmes, solidaritéS-EàG, Stop TISA, UDAPT, UNIA-GE, UNITERRE, Campagne Globale pour Revendiquer la Souveraineté des Peuples, Démanteler le pouvoir des Multinationales et mettre fin à l'Impunité



MONDAY 14TH OCTOBER

Place des Nations Unies

10.30AM

CONCENTRATION GENEVA – VIENNA: RIGHTS FOR PEOPLES, RULES FOR CORPORATIONS, STOP ISDS

TUESDAY 15TH OCTOBER

University of Geneva,
UNI-MAIL, SALLE MR20
(Boulevard du Pont d'Arve, 40,
Tramway 15, Stop UNI-MAIL)

7.30PM

PUBLIC CONFERENCE TOGETHER AGAINST TRANSNA- TIONAL CORPORATIONS AND THE WALLS-INDUSTRY: THE STRUGGLES OF MIGRANTS, WOMEN AND THE PALESTINIAN MOVEMENTS

Neoliberal globalization has opened the doors for the savage exploitation of the world by the big economic powers. Megaprojects, agribusiness and militarization, among other processes, express a patriarchal, neoliberal and racist capitalist system that amounts to an assault on life as such. Communities and peoples are resisting the advance of this offensive. From the places where military occupation kills people and steal their land, to the walls that bar those displaced from access to the places of perceived privilege, to the exploitation of whom was able to cross the barriers, this conference will hear testimonies of struggle and resistance that trace the entire trail of corporate crime that perpetuates capitalist re-

pression of our rights and freedoms.

Speakers :

- Welcome by Swiss local organisations
- Member of the World March of Women
- **María Josefina Caal Xol** (Guatemala)
- **Nonoi Hachbang** (Transnational Migrant Platform)
- **Mikel Alvarez Olaechea** (LAB)
- **Vidalina Morales de Gamez** (ADES – Santa Marta, El Salvador)
- **Maha Albdalla** (Al-Haq, Palestine)
- **Maren Mantovani** (Stop the Wall)

Facilitator: **Rania Madi** (BADIL)

Interpretation provided in English, Spanish and French

THURSDAY **17TH OCTOBER** 7.30PM

University of Geneva, **UNI-MAIL, SALLE MR280**
(Boulevard du Pont d'Arve, 40, Tramway 15, Stop UNI-MAIL)

PUBLIC CONFERENCE PUBLIC CONFERENCE CLIMATE JUSTICE, FOSSIL AND MINING INDUSTRIES AND CORPORATE IMPUNITY

The climate crisis is the result of a broken system that has failed nature and human beings in the interest of amassing greater economic power in the hands of a few. That system has allowed fossil fuel and mining transnational corporations, among others, to commit outrageous abuses against nature, human beings, and our own present and future on this planet. Today, the effects of climate change take the lives and livelihoods of millions of people through droughts, floods, rising seas, hurricanes, and other extreme weather events. While people around the globe raise their voices to keep fossil fuels in the ground, transnational corporations, elites, and governments dismiss those voices by building megadams and pipelines, extracting fossil fuels, destroying forests and natural ecosystems, grabbing lands, and violating human rights. A hundred fossil fuels corporations are responsible for almost 70% of the atmospheric carbon dioxide increase, and 20 corporations account for almost a quarter of global temperature increase between 1854 and 2010. Their impunity is leading us to death, and it must stop. We cannot live in a world where global temperatures have increased 2 degrees. It's clear: our world cannot continue like this. Join us in hearing from front line communities fighting climate change, corporate impunity, unjust trade agreements -- and for climate justice and system change.

Speakers:

- Welcome by Swiss local organisations
- **Prasant Praikay** (POSCO Pratirodh Sangram Samiti, India)
- **Vandria García Correa** (member of the Amazonian Borari People, Brazil)
- **William Lucitante** (Unión de Afectados/as por Chevron Texaco en Ecuador)
- **Rachmi Hertanti** (Indonesia for Global Justice)
- **Edgar Mojica** (CUT – Colombia)
- **Erika Mendes** (Justiça Ambiental ! / Friends of the Earth Mozambique)
- **Madonna Thunder Hawk**, presenting the Film "Warrior Women" (by Christina D. King, & Elizabeth A. Castle, LARDUX FILMS in association with CSIA-NITASSINAN)

Moderation: **Shayda Naficy / Nathalie Rengifo**
(Corporate Accountability International)

**Interpretation provided in English,
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WARRIOR WOMEN (2018 – 64 min – documentary - USA - color – VOSTF)

"Warrior Women" is the story of mothers and daughters fighting for indigenous rights in the American Indian Movement of the 1970s. The film unveils not only a female perspective of history, but also examines the impact political struggles have on the children who bear witness.

More information: <https://www.warriorwomenfilm.com/>

