

Brief Glossary of Partner Organizations and Movements

ALAI - Latin American Information Agency

Communication organization that seeks to formulate answers to the challenges that communication entails both in strategic areas and in social action. It fights for the democratization of communication as a basic condition for democratic life and social justice, full exercise of human rights, gender equality, and citizen participation in development and Latin American public affairs. To this end, it processes and disseminates systematized information, assists social organizations in developing their communication skills, and promotes the right to communication.

<http://alainet.org/>

CLOC – Latin American Coordination of Rural Organizations

The *Coordinadora Latinoamericana de Organizaciones del Campo – CLOC* (Latin American Coordination of Rural Organizations) was formally founded in February of 1994 with the participation of 84 rural organizations from 18 countries from Latin America and the Caribbean. The Coordination is the result of a prior networking process of an autonomous international space, which gained force with the realization of the “Continental Campaign of 500 Years of Indigenous, Black, and Popular Resistance” (1989-1992). Organized by indigenous-peasant groups in the region of the Andes and the *Movimento de Trabalhadores Sem Terra – MST* (Rural Landless Workers Movement) in Brazil, the

campaign opened up a trench of resistance in times that were adverse to popular organizations, and served as a laboratory for the formulation of political and organizational platforms with which to face new challenges.

Coalition Against Trafficking in Women

CATW is a non-governmental organization that works internationally to combat sexual exploitation in all its forms, especially prostitution and trafficking in women and children, particularly girls. It is composed of regional networks and affiliated individuals and groups. It brings international attention to all forms of sexual exploitation, including prostitution, pornography, sex tourism, and selling mail-order brides. It also researches and documents the situation of women who have been trafficked and are engaged in prostitution.

<http://www.catwinternational.org/>

Code Pink

U.S. movement founded by a group of women who wanted to stop the George W. Bush government from invading Iraq. The name Code Pink denotes women and men who seek peace and plays on the Bush administration’s use of yellow, orange and red alerts of supposed “terrorist threats” that arouse fear and justify violence. Code Pink rejects Bush’s politics and makes an appeal for policies based on compassion, kindness and a commitment to international law.

<http://www.codepinkalert.org/>



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Committee for the Cancellation of Third World Debt

International network constituted by individuals and local committees from across Europe, Latin America and Asia, founded in 1990. Its first objective is cancellation of the foreign public debt of the peripheral countries (Third World and former Soviet bloc) and discontinuation of structural adjustment policies imposed by the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank and the World Trade Organization (WTO). This would mean putting an end to the debt spiral and establishing socially equitable and ecologically sustainable development models. <http://www.cadtm.org/>

Focus on the Global South

Focus is a non-governmental organisation working in Thailand, the Philippines and India. Established in 1995, it combines policy research, advocacy, activism and grassroots capacity building, aiming to generate critical analysis and to encourage debate on national and international policies related to corporate-led globalisation, neo-liberalism and militarisation. Its goals are developed around the paradigm of deglobalisation, which describes the transformation of the global economy from one centred around the needs of transnational corporations to one that focuses on the needs of people, communities and nations and in which the capacities of local and national economies are strengthened. <http://focusweb.org/>

Friends of the Earth International

Network made up of about 5000 local groups and organizations working on environmental and social issues. Founded in 1971, it is present today in 69 countries on five continents. It carries out campaigns that challenge the prevailing economic model and globalization dictated by the transnationals. It also promotes the debate on alternatives for creating ecologically sustainable and socially just societies. <http://www.foei.org/>

Grassroots Global Justice

Created in June 2002, GGJ is an alliance of United States based grassroots groups who are organizing to build an agenda for power for working and poor people. Their members understand that there are important connections between the local issues around which they work and the global context. In this way, they see themselves as part of an international movement for global justice. Some of their goals are to develop a collective platform/agenda informed by local experiences and to identify allies with Global South groups/movements. <http://www.ggjalliance.org>

Hemispheric Social Alliance

Alliance composed of social organizations, thematic networks, and sectoral organizations of the Americas, from Canada to Chile. It was founded in 1997 to exchange information, define strategies, and promote joint action on, first, fighting the estab-

lishment of the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) and all the different forms of free trade and, second, seeking an alternative, democratic development model geared to promoting social justice and transforming integration policies in the hemisphere.

<http://www.asc-hsa.org/>

Jubilee South

Network of debt campaigns, social movements, people's organizations, communities, NGOs and political formations in over 50 countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa and Asia/Pacific, aiming to develop and strengthen a global South movement around the issue of debt. The network calls for the condemnation of unjust and illegitimate debt for undermining popular sovereignty and for holding the people and countries of the South captive to the chains of poverty and "underdevelopment". It further calls for restitution of, and reparations for, the massive ecological, moral, social, financial, and historical debt of which the peoples of the South are the creditors.

<http://www.jubileesouth.org>

LGBT South-South Dialogue

Founded in July 2000, the LGBT South-South Dialogue is an international space aimed at achieving full citizenship for people discriminated against due to their sexual orientation and developing alternative proposals within the context of globalization. Lesbians, gays, bisexual and transgendered (LGBT) people and organizations from Asia, Africa, Latin

America and the Caribbean participate in this space as do intellectuals and activists who subscribe to their objectives.

<http://www.movimientos.org/dss/>

REMTE - Latin American Network of Women Transforming the Economy

Established in 1997, its goal is to contribute to women's critical appropriation of the economy by generating ideas, discussions, actions and political initiatives. It wants to transform the following dimensions of the economy: economic theory and knowledge that tend to make women invisible; the role of women, marked by inequality and discrimination; policies and decisions, and demanding the right of women to intervene directly in them.

<http://www.movimientos.org/remte/>

Via Campesina

International movement of peasants, small- and medium-size producers, rural women and youth, the landless, Indigenous people and agricultural workers from 56 countries.

Established in 1993, its main objective is to develop solidarity and unity in diversity among member organizations in order to promote economic relations of equality; gender parity; social justice; conservation and control over land, water, seeds and other natural resources; food sovereignty; sustainable agricultural production; and equality among small- and medium-size producers.

<http://viacampesina.org/>



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Women in Black

International network of feminist and antimilitary women working for peace by opposing war; denouncing violence, principally against women; and seeking women's participation in conflict resolution. Its aim is to bring an end to the culture of violence, domination, aggression against people, and destruction of the environment and harmonious living conditions. It believes that it is impossible to achieve a culture of peace without changing the patriarchal structure that is rooted in the appropriation and belittlement of women—a practice extended to all those who are different—a structure that is achieved and maintained through fear and violence.

<http://www.womeninblack.org/>

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