Workshops and Talks

8 March
Brussels, Belgium

Workshop: Everything you wanted to know about carbon trading (but were afraid to ask)
+ screening of "The Story of Cap and Trade"

How does the EU Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) work? How has it performed so far? What's wrong with carbon trading? What carbon market lobbying is currently happening in Brussels? What carbon market proposals is the EU promoting in UN climate negotiations? The workshop will explore how carbon markets work, why they fail, and what proposals are currently being negotiated in Brussels and beyond.

Speakers: Jutta Kill (FERN); Oscar Reyes (Carbon Trade Watch)

We aim - but cannot guarantee – to have translation from English to French.
When: 19.00 (to 21.00), Monday 8 March
Where: Fair Trade Room, Mundo-B, Rue d'Edimbourg 26, 1050 Brussels (near Porte de Namur metro)

Organisers: Carbon Trade Watch and Corporate Europe Observatory

14 December
Klimaforum, Copenhagen, Denmark
Durban Group for Climate Justice

Workshop 1:
Carbon Market Crimes, The Kyoto Years (to date)

Carbon trading is a complex system with a simple goal: to make it cheaper for companies to continue polluting. The carbon market has fielded perhaps the largest avenue for businesses to earn money while polluting. This workshop will examine some of the largest carbon trading criminal acts to date taking an in-depth look at the corruption inherent in the system, ways in which the Clean Development Mechanism has perpetuated the criminalisation of resistance on the ground, the breakdown of the market and how climate finance has functioned to rig the system throughout Kyoto’s history.

Souparna Lahiri - NFFPFW, India
Larry Lohmann - The Corner House, UK
Anna Pinto - CORE, India
Trusha Reddy - ISS, South Africa
Janet Redman - SEEN, USA
Oscar Reyes - Carbon Trade Watch / Transnational Institute, Netherlands
It has been scheduled for December 14th, for 120 minutes from about 1-3 pm in a venue for about 400 people.

Workshop 2:
Carbon Market Crimes, Post-Kyoto, Post-2012

Carbon trading is a complex system with a simple goal: to make it cheaper for companies to continue polluting. New false solutions such as REDD, techno-fixes like CCS and market linking schemes arrive into the debate daily. What are they and what would their potential impacts be? While questions around what to expect post-Kyoto, after 2012, continue to be discussed, it is often unclear what direction these new market mechanisms will take. This workshop aims to decode the new languages developing inside the climate talks and highlight real issues from a justice-based approach of the impacts on people and the environment.

Marcelo Calazans - FASE, Brazil
Rehana Dada - Centre for Civil Society, South Africa
Michael Dorsey - Dartmouth University, USA
Tom Goldtooth - Indigenous Environment Network
Ana Filipini - WRM, Uruguay
Ivonne Yanez - Oilwatch, South America

It has been scheduled for December 14th, for 120 minutes from about 3-5 pm in a venue for about 400 people.

8 December
Klimaforum, Copenhagen, Denmark

Carbon Trade Watch

Putting Justice into the Climate Debate

This workshop will decode and explore "Climate Justice" as a concept
through the use of popular education tools to ensure maximum participation. The aim will be to gain a greater understanding of where the concept of climate justice comes from historically and highlight the importance of grassroots-based struggles related to environmental and social change.

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Speakers: Joanna Cabello, Oscar Reyes, Kevin Smith and Tamra Gilbertson

Tue 8 Dec, 13h-15h.

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25 November

Discussion and debate on the politics of climate change and the mobilizations from social movements

with Joanna Cabello

Wed 25 Nov. Target Café - Amsterdam, Netherlands

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15 November

aCOPalypse Now! - A day of teach-ins and discussion critiquing COP 15 and carbon trading, Bristol, UK

Carbon Trade Watch, FERN, The Corner House, Lab of Insurrectionary Imagination

Sun 15 Nov, 11.00am - 6.00pm. Arnolfini, Bristol

Free / Booking advised

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12 November

Info session on what is at stake in Copenhagen and the Climate Justice movements.
1 November

Carbon Connection and Crude - screenings and discussion, Bristol, UK

C Words film & events season

A programme of film and events to accompany C Words: Carbon, Climate, Capital, Culture - an exhibition by artist-activist group PLATFORM and their collaborators.

Screening of The Carbon Connection

Sun 1 Nov, 6.30pm. Arnolfini, Bristol

£6.00 / £4.50 concs

30-31 October

Conference: Climate change and agriculture, Barcelona, Spain
Room of Acts of the Polytechnic University of Catalonia (Campus Nord, Barcelona)

What we face in Copenhagen: actors and interests in the climate debate

Sat 31st, 10am

with Oscar Reyes
27 October

Info session on what is at stake in Copenhagen and the Climate Justice movements.
Institute of Social Studies - The Hague, Netherlands
Â Â Â with Joanna Cabello

23 October

Climate change and the Copenhagen conference - what you have not been told, Prague, Czech Republic
Prague Municipal Library
Â Â Â with Tamra Gilbertson, Oscar Reyes, Prof. Lapin, T. Miler

19 October

Carbon Trading and Climate Justice, Brno, Czech Republic
Â Â Â with Tamra Gilbertson and Oscar Reyes

15 October

Carbon Trading and Climate Justice, Budapest, Hungary
Thu 6.30pm, Hegedu u. 3, Tuzrakter, Budapest
Â Â Â with Tamra Gilbertson and Oscar Reyes
2-4 October

Heinrich Böll Stiftung. Counter Summit IMF/WB, Instanbul, Turkey

Istanbul Bilgi University - Dolapdere Campus.

 Workshops on:

 Everything you wanted to know about carbon trading (but were afraid to ask)

 Â Â Â with Oscar Reyes, Tamra Gilbertson and Joanna Cabello

What is carbon trading, and why should we care? What role is it likely to play in the agreement being discussed at the UN climate summit in Copenhagen in December? What role does the World Bank play in promoting carbon markets? This workshop provides a critical introduction to carbon trading, with a particular focus on its place within a new global treaty. It will show how the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), sectoral carbon markets, and schemes aimed at Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation (REDD) could exacerbate local social and environmental conflicts and incentivise land grabs whilst failing to tackle the climate crisis. It will then explore a range of alternatives from a climate justice perspective.

 A Climate of Injustice

 Â Â Â with Oscar Reyes, Tamra Gilbertson and Joanna Cabello

 Industrialised countries have a historical responsibility for climate change, with their corporations depleting the resources of the South for their own...
profit while exploiting more than their share of atmospheric capacity. These same governments and corporations are now pushing for a new global climate treaty that leaves it to the South to clean up the mess they have created, while helping them to avoid taking significant action to reduce their own emissions. This workshop will expose these schemes -- the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation (REDD), soil carbon sequestration, amongst others -- as false solutions that bring with them social and environmental conflicts, give incentives for land grabs and exacerbate inequalities in the South.

28 September

Carbon Trading and Climate Justice, Barcelona, Spain

Everything you wanted to know about carbon trading (but were afraid to ask)

À À À with Oscar Reyes and Tamra Gilbertson

Mon 28th 17h30 - Espai Jove Fontana

8 September

Info night at the Molli, Amsterdam, Netherlands

Climate, Copenhagen and Corporate Lobbying

À À À with Oscar Reyes

Tue 8th 20h30 - v Ostadestraat 55hs 1072 JB Amsterdam

4 September

G20: No More Business As Usual, London, UK
with Kevin Smith

Fri 4th 10-18h - Central London

27 August - 2 September
Climate Camp, London, UK

Workshops on carbon trading and UN climate negotiations.

Carbon Trading, Heathrow & Kingsnorth: an intro
SM1 Fri: 16:30-18:30

with Oscar Reyes and Tim Jones (WDM)

Everything you wanted to know about carbon trading (but were afraid to ask). If you don't yet know your cap-and-trade from your offsets, come along and find out the basics about carbon markets and why they fail. The workshop will also look at how carbon trading relates to key climate change struggles in the UK, discussing whether carbon trading makes it more/likely that a new coal power station at Kingsnorth, and third runway at Heathrow, will be built.

AND

Copenhagen and Carbon Trading - where did it all go horribly wrong
MM3, Sat: 16:30-18:30

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What is going to be discussed at the UN climate summit in Copenhagen in December? What is carbon trading, and why should we care? What role does the European Union play? Discussions on a new global climate agreement are shrouded in a cloud of acronyms and obscure market schemes. This workshop decodes what is at stake in Copenhagen, exposing how the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM), sectoral carbon markets, and schemes aimed at Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation (REDD) would exacerbate local social and environmental conflicts and incentivise land grabs whilst failing to tackle the climate crisis. It will then explore some alternatives needed to promote climate justice in the UK, the EU and beyond.

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3-9 August

Dutch/Belgium Climate Camp

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DEBATE:

What’s at the stake in Copenhagen: is no deal better than a bad deal?

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WORKSHOPS:

A Climate of Injustice

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http://www.carbontradewatch.org
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Ten ways the EU is failing on climate change... and many more alternatives

Â Â Â with Oscar Reyes

The European Union routinely claims “leadership” on climate change. But in creating the world’s largest carbon market, promoting agrofuels and Carbon Capture and Storage as solutions, it is failing to offer environmentally sustainable and socially just alternatives for tackling the climate crisis. This workshop will look at how the EU’s carbon market is failing, show how EU negotiators are contributing to a bad deal in Copenhagen, and highlight how the EU subsidises some of the dirtiest industries in the name of “clean” technology. It will then look at the alternatives needed to promote climate justice in Belgium and The Netherlands, the EU and beyond.

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Tami and Joanna will also give the “A Climate of Injustice“ workshop at the WISE summer school on 6 August.

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2-3 July

G8 Underground (Gsotto), Sardinia, Italy

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The overall meeting will be focused on three strategic thematic areas:
- phasing out of the oil economy, keep oil in the ground
- community control over mining resources and reconversion
- the new frontier of natural resources exploration.

DATE: July 3rd, 17.45pm,
VENUE: Sulcis Iglesiente, Sardinia, Italy

IV session: Alternatives and strategies
Co-facilitators and interviewers: Nnimmo Bassey (ERA/FoE International), Antonio Tricarico (CRBM/Mani Tese)
Representative of ANAB association of Sardinia
Oscar Reyes (Carbon Trade Watch, The Netherlands)
Nanni Salio (Centro Sereno Regis)
Salvatore Marras (Istituto Professionale Guspini)
Andri Wijaya (JATAM.SDE, Indonesia)

When world leaders negotiate a new climate agreement this December, they will promote one solution above all others: carbon trading. The EU already has its own carbon trading system; in the US, Obama is working hard to push a "cap-and-trade" system through Congress. But what is carbon trading? What is the theory behind it? How does it work in practice? And, most importantly, will it help us avert climate chaos?

Discover the truth behind carbon trading in a unique workshop organized by the Camp for Climate Action.
Kevin Smith (Carbon Trade Watch) will give a critical perspective on market-based solutions to climate change. There will also be a screening of the documentary “The Carbon Connection™, showing the real impacts of carbon trading on local communities, and plenty of time for questions and discussion. Come along to talk, listen, learn â€“ and find out how you can take action for social justice and against climate change.

Please email london [at] climatecamp.org.uk to book a place. Please put â€œcarbon trading workshopâ€• in the subject line."

21-24 May

BUKO32 congress: Under Construction - Transformations in times of crisis, Lueneburg, Germany

Carbon trading from Kyoto to Copenhagen

Â Â Â With Oscar Reyes, Carbon Trade Watch, Transnational Institute

The Kyoto Protocol, drawn up in 1997, laid the groundwork for a global system of carbon trading that is now worth around $100 billion per year. The UNA’s Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) has almost 1,500 registered projects (with another 3,000 in the pipeline), yet its record is woeful in both environmental and social terms. This workshop will begin with a history of the CDM and other market-based mechanisms for climate mitigation, including a global overview and selected case studies. It will then critically examine proposals for the reform and extension of carbon trading within the current UN climate negotiations, setting out the positions of the various parties on such issues as CDM reform and sectoral carbon markets (including the possible creation of forest carbon markets in the guise of Reduced Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation).

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31 March

Environmental Audit Committee: New Evidence Sessions

The role of carbon markets in preventing dangerous climate change, UK Parliament
Committee Room 8
10.20am
Keith Allott and Kirsty Clough, WWF
Bryony Worthington and Jeremy Burke, Sandbag Climate Campaign
11.00 approx
Oscar Reyes, Carbon Trade Watch
Larry Lohmann, The Corner House
Tim Jones, World Development Movement

See the Carbon Trade Watch submission

28 February

Can we tackle both climate change and poverty? People versus the planet, London, UK

With Kevin Smith

Our economic system has played an important part in bringing about climate change. Can we stop climate chaos within the current system using market mechanisms and technological solutions, or are deeper changes in the political system and the way we live, work and make decisions necessary? Can we have a socially just transition to a low carbon economy? What will the transition to a greener society look like, and what is the role of social movements in struggling for such a transition?

http://www.carbontradewatch.org
9 February

Copenhagen Climate Summit: Should we cheer them on, block them in, or shut them down?, London, UK

Panel: Kevin Smith (Carbon Trade Watch) and Mel Evans (Camp for Climate Action) will kick off a discussion about the movement to stop climate change.

The UN talks in Copenhagen this December are supposed to be the place where world leaders agree a new international deal to stop climate change. But progress so far has been undermined by corporate lobbying and false, market-based solutions. When activists from across Europe hit the streets of Copenhagen, should we be calling on governments to do better, blockading them in until they come up with a good deal, or be saying they are so flawed we should try to close them down?

29-30 January

Trading Our Way Into Trouble - Durban Group for Climate Justice workshop, World Social Forum, Belém, Brazil

The Durban Group for Climate Justice invites you to a critical discussion on unjust responses to the climate crisis at the World Social Forum, Belem, Brasil.

Workshop 1

Injustices of Carbon Offsets

29 Jan, Session 1

UFPA Basico, Oficina 10, E5

Workshop 2
Economic Crisis & Carbon Finance

30 Jan, Session 4
UFPA Basico, Oficina 10, E5

30 October - 2 November
Global Transparency: Fighting Corruption for a Sustainable Future / 13th International Anti-Corruption Conference, Athens, Greece

Panel: ‘Corruption & carbon trading projects: Is carbon finance helping to combat detrimental climate change?’
with Larry Lohmann (The Corner House), Trusha Reddy (Institute of Security Studies), Daphne Wysham (Institute of Policy Studies).
Facilitator: Oscar Reyes (TNI-Carbon Trade Watch)

18 October

Stand Up For Your Rights Festival, Waterloo Action Centre, London, UK

a day of discussion and debate about reshaping democracy in a world in crisis

13-15 October

AEPF Conference, Beijing, China
Panelists: Tamra Gilbertson and Oscar Reyes

17-21 September
European Social Forum, Malmö, Sweden

Workshops with Oscar Reyes: ‘EU climate policy - and what we can do about it’

Speakers: Jens Holm MEP (GUE/NGL), Oscar Reyes (TNI), Susann Scherbarth (Friends of the Earth Europe)

Time: 6-9pm, Thursday 18 September

Location: Folkets hus Nobeltorget, Sal 2, ESF, Malmo

Organisers: Friends of the Earth Europe, Transnational Institute

Languages: EN, ES, FR, SV

The EU is currently negotiating a new climate and energy package, which deals with climate change until 2020. The first part of this seminar will describe critically the EU’s proposals, examine the jargon of the ‘emissions trading scheme’ and ‘effort sharing’. An interactive second part invites participants to get involved in campaigns to critique and improve the EU’s approach.

3 -10 August
Camp for Climate Action - Kingsnorth Power Station, UK

Workshops with Kevin Smith on EU-ETS/CDM and voluntary market
14 June
Campaign Against Climate Change International Conference

Panelist: Kevin Smith - Can carbon Trading Work?

7 June
Student Movement Climate Change Conference
University of Sussex

Panelist: Kevin Smith

8 May
Carbon Trading talk: L'arcu de Vieyu, Oviedo, Spain

Discussion with Tamra Gilbertson

Screening of The Carbon Connection

Photo Exhibition: Offsets in India: Confronting Carbon Colonialism

1 May
'Movimientos' Latin American films and culture night,
Salmon and Compass. Islington, UK

Workshop and discussion with Kevin Smith

Screening of The Carbon Connection

26 April
Humans & Habitats: rethinking rights in an age of climate change

Panelist: Kevin Smith on The Right to Pollute
10-12 April
Entrepueblos Jornadas: Climate Change and Impoverishment:
A threat to Development, "CDM: a view from here" panelist,
Vallodalid, Spain

Panelist: Tamra Gilbertson

Screening of The Carbon Connection

Photo Exhibition: Offsets in India: Confronting Carbon Colonialism

13 Feb
Carbon Trading Debate: Stanford University, California

Workshop and discussion with Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith

8 Feb
Northwest Student Climate Justice Summit,
University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

Key Note Speakers: Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith

7 Feb
Climate Change talks, Oregon State University,
Women's Center, Corvalis, Oregon

Workshop and discussion with Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith

Photo Exhibition: Offsets in India: Confronting Carbon Colonialism
5 Feb
Community meeting, Columbia Gorge Earth Center, Hood River, Oregon
Â Â Â Workshop and discussion with Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith

4 Feb
False Solutions and Climate Change, Portland State University, Portland, Oregon
Â Â Â Workshop and discussion with Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith

3 Feb
False Solutions and Climate Change, Black Rose Collective, Portland, Oregon
Â Â Â Workshop and discussion with Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith
Â Â Â Film Screening of The Carbon Connection Â Â 
Â Â Â Photo Exhibition: Offsets in India: Confronting Carbon Colonialism

1 Feb
Community Meeting, Cannery Pier Hotel, Astoria, Oregon
Â Â Â Panelists: Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith
Â Â Â Photo Exhibition: Offsets in India: Confronting Carbon Colonialism

31 Jan
Focus the Nation, Evergreen State College, Olympia, Washington
Â Â Â Panelists: Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith
30 Jan

Focus the Nation, Reed College, Portland, Oregon

Panelists: Tamra Gilbertson and Kevin Smith

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