

International Conference Consuming the America Latina's resources: Europe's role, Europe's responsibilities



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The role of corporate power and free trade agreements in the extraction of natural resources in Latin America: continuous environmental impacts and human rights abuses

Sunday, 1st of June, 2014, from 11:00h. to 18:00h. In La Tabacalera, Embajadores Street, 53, Madrid

11:00-11:15 Welcome and introduction

Víctor Barro, president of Amigos de la Tierra España

11:15-12:10 Context: overview of resources extraction in Latin America and its impacts for environment and human rights

Moderator: Mercedes Hernández, director of Asociación Mujeres de Guatemala AMG

- **Exploitation of natural resources in Latin America**
Danilo Urrea Camargo, Amigos de la Tierra Colombia
- **How European overconsumption contributes to resources exploitation in Latin America**
Ariadna Rodrigo, Resource Use Campaigner in Friends of the Earth Europe
- **The case of gas/shale gas in the protected area of Auca (Neuquén, Argentina)**
María Carolina García, Natural Resources engineer and member of the "Multisectorial contra el fracking", Argentina.

Coffe: 12:10-12:30

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12:30-14:00 The power of corporate on political decisions: key element for abusive resources extraction

Moderator: José Vicente Barcia, Plataforma por un Nuevo Modelo Energético y ECOOO

- **Architecture of corporate power at regional and international level and impunity for corporate**
David Llistar, Observatorio de la Deuda en la Globalización
- **Influence of corporate at local and national level in Latin America: concrete cases of hydroelectric exploitation in Barillas (Guatemala) and energy in Argentina**
Jagoda Munić, President of Friends of the Earth International
Diego di Risio, Member of Observatorio Petrolero Sur, Argentina
- **The UN Human Right Commission process: way for legally binding systems to control corporate power**
Lucia Ortiz, Economic Justice Campaigner in Friends of the Earth International
- **Discussion. How European CSO can engage, articulation between Europe and Latin America**

Lunch: 14:00-15:15

15:15-16:00 Free Trade Agreements: political drivers of environmental and Human Rights impacts of resources exploitation

Moderator: Liliane Spendeler, director of Amigos de la Tierra España

- **Environmental and human rights consequences of free trade agreements**
Luis Rico, Ecologistas en Acción
- **Examples of impact and resistance to free trade agreements: EU-Central America Agreement and UE-Colombia Agreement**
Isaac Rojas Ramírez, Amigos de la Tierra Costa Rica
Danilo Urrea Camargo, Amigos de la Tierra Colombia

Pause /Break: 16:00-16:15

16:15-17:45 Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)

Moderator: Yayo Herrero, Fuhem

- **What is at stake with TTIP?**
Carlos Ruiz, ATTAC España
- **Environmental consequences of TTIP and its Investor-to-State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) for Europe and the rest of the world**
Paul de Clerk, Economic Justice Campaigner in Friends of the Earth Europe
- **Mobilization against TTIP in Europe and Spain**
Liliana Manolache, Platform "No al Tratado Transatlántico de Comercio e inversiones" y Salvemos Rosia Montana Madrid
- **Discussion: How to strengthen our fight against TTIP, how to get more commitment of civil society?**

17:45-18:00 Conclusiones

Magda Stoczkiewicz, Directora de Amigos de la Tierra Europa