

Shut down G8 Summit! Conflicts make Europe Social centres towards Heilingendamm

Hundreds of us met in Venice during Global Meeting. We discussed about Europe, movements and autonomous conflicts. This discussion was extraordinary thanks to everyone's contribution and to the great participation (more than five hundred activists coming from all over Europe). We all agreed that Political Europe already exists. Multilateral Europe exists in governance and economy, in the acceptance of war and in repression. In actual Europe left wing governments violently evict social centres and the same governments oppress precarious workers' strength. At the same time, movements are well aware that Europe is crossed by social conflicts, by autonomous struggles that lead to insubordination and to radical democracy. These conclusions are an important step, which opens new fields of common struggles. We specifically refer to income, migrations/citizenship rights, social centres/autonomous lives, education/university.

A first convergence moment will be in Rostock. The German town that will host the G8 summit (the summit is to be in Heilingendamm a small town near Rostock. Around the two areas initiatives are to try blocking the summit, whereas June 2nd a demonstration will open anti G8 mobilisations in Rostock).

Today, we are to mobilise against the Earth's big powers. We are to do this after the closure of a great cycle of struggles. The ones linked to the so-called "no global" movements. To us this fact also means that we should investigate the new connections among global governance after the defeat of bushism and of unilateral war. The crisis that emerged with the coup within Empire obliges USA to accept multilateralism. But it does not mean that the situation has not embittered. There still are wars and reformism sounds even more hypocrite. Choosing to be against war and against the great eights stresses the fact that movements are autonomous. Autonomy is both a statement and a practice. Autonomy is the movements' political and confliction space.

In second place, we need to qualify movements' autonomy within Rostock's practical dimension. German brothers and sisters explained us how they managed to reach a shared proposal of counter-meeting and initiatives. This is very interesting. Because it brings together the various articulation of movements but it as well considers all different practices. And it wishes to be effective in blocking the G8 summit.

At the same time, we discussed about another new challenge that movements are facing. The challenge is that one of overcoming former counter-meetings' logics, which talked the worlds of identity and representation. Today we think that we need to break such dynamics and we believe that we should define our participation from the desire of experimenting, understanding and inquiring. The fact that initiatives must be effective comes before their identity.

Just one last consideration. Ungdomshuset's struggle stands as the meaning of anti G8 mobilisations. Defending commonwealth and autonomy has been the most important element in Scandinavian and German struggles. This element is central to us as well. And it will take us to Rostock.

We therefore want to be part of Rostock's counter-meeting. We will be in Rostock next week end (April 13th, 14th and 15th) in occasion of the international meeting that organises the counter-meeting itself.

We also shall help preparing the G8 initiatives from and in Italy. We shall organise ourselves in order to reach Rostock during the G8 summit.

Against war and capitalism! In movement in spite of borders!

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