

Hello everybody! This is the 4th issue of the PGA inspired newsletter!



At the PGA-conference in Dijon a need for a non-digital communication-tool was mentioned.

There was an idea to refresh a printed newsletter. We would like to continue the project with this call.

Our aim is to continue using this newsletter as forum of debates, different project, actions and struggles of collectives, related to PGA. The newsletter does not speak in the name of the network, but is inspired by PGA.

Therefore it will continue to be an autonomous project with subjective views, but can only work through the participation of various collectives and single persons in the network. This project should be an open process and switching workgroups take the responsibility for each issue.

The group, working on the next issue, announces their idea for next issue and sets a deadline for article (both on the pga-process list). After layouting and publishing it's also helpful, if the workgroup cares for skill-sharing with the next group (which means to introduce in the tools, used for the newsletter). The final printing and distribution is like the creation of article in the responsibility of all the collectives and single persons in the network. To make the next newsletter a better instrument of information and perhaps more open to global struggles, please send articles.



5TH PEOPLES' GLOBAL ACTION GATHERING IN EUROPE ATHENS 20TH / 27TH OF AUGUST

PGA - People's Global Action - started in 1998, it has been a tool and a diffuse structure coordinating groups and people sharing common struggles and practices, in accordance with various anticapitalist and anti-authoritarian principles (see the hallmarks). PGA initiated the Intercontinental caravan in 1999, as well as international action days of actions against the G8, the WTO, the World Bank, the IMF... In Seattle, Genoa, Prague, and in a number of less popular events, PGA was a driving force behind numerous actions and reflections. At the convergence of international initiatives and local struggles, groups close to the PGA are now looking for new drives to challenge stagnation.

In Europe, groups who identify with the PGA principles meet about once every two years, through the initiative of a "convenor" collective. Since 1998, these conferences have been the opportunity for several days of exchanging practices and knowledge, and of establishing bonds, which allow us to be better organized in common actions.

The 5th gathering of Peoples Global Action in Europe this time will take place in Greece.

A responsibility of organizing and coordinating the discussion that opened in the last meetings of PGA europe has taken by a decentralized network of activists and collectives in Balkans. That's exactly and the essential advantage of this initiative. The convenor is not a local collective like other conferences in the past but a vital balkan decentralized network. On the preparation all of these months several questions, problems as well as ideas for taking action are already mentioned by all of us who involve with a conference here!!! Again in the Balkan region! We would like to open a long discussion about local activism in combination with a global perspective. In other words we want to discuss about the future of the PGA network and its process as well as the various projects, topics and ideas for action. As a reference example: the following topics that we are already working on or we want to invite people to open meeting spaces during the PGA conference.

Autonomous spaces and squatting, patriarchy, gender, radical feminism, anti repression, anti militarism, biotechnology, environmental struggles, indigenous spaces, antiglobalization, G8, DIY activities and sharing skills, fanzines, infoshops, PGA infopoint, land and autonomy, eco communities, digital struggles and autonomous servers, indymedia tools, precarity and flexibility, radical theory, productive networking, local alternatives, activism, other, be continued if you wanna take part on the meeting we need the following information from you!! Please send us as soon as possible at con2008@no-log.org. have it in mind that our dynamic is not the best one and we need a lot of international support and definitely to know how many people are planning to join the meeting .. You need also sleeping bags and probably a tent.

Info that we need from you: 1.name of your collective (if you belong in a collective), 2.number of people, 3.workshop or topic who you want to organise (name of your workshop, what do you need for it, for ex do you need a projector?), 4.if you wanna participate on the kitchen (we definitely need it as well)

In solidarity - International working group of the 5th PGA conference

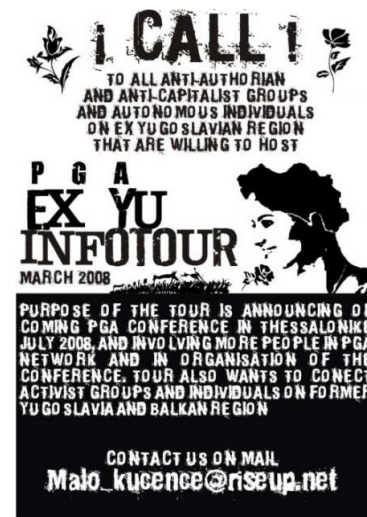
SUMMARY OF THE PGA INSPIRED INFOTOUR IN POST YUGO REGION MARCH 2008

We started on Sunday march 3 from nis. We traveled by night so we could be in Zagreb earlier and also to bribe the ticket boy. We were lucky, we bribed from nish to lapovo, from lapovo to Belgrade and from Belgrade to shid, it was great, the only bad thing was that we couldn't sleep because we needed to remember the stations because there was risk of ticket control.

Croatian border was ok. We arrived in Zagreb in early afternoon. Sunny and Nataly waited for us and we went to Zbox flat to eat Stenko joined us there and we went to park and then to tourist walk around. The presentation was at mama internet cafe where people from Zagreb have subversive nights with movies discussions and stuff. Cole that organized this presentation was there, also there was our friend Deeda and some people we haven't seen for a while. There was Marc with what are you reading distribution and cakes. Lot of people showed up, it was great, place was good. The problem was that we were very tired cause we didn't slept whole night. So tiredness mixed with tremor made us sound very bad. We finished very fast and discussion was very poor so we were like very sad. Maybe because it was the first or maybe because we were very tired, Zagreb presentations was the worst. Please all people we are very very sorry. We want to thank you all for organization, shelter, great food, beer, good time, hope to see you soon.

Before sleep we spent some time with Zbox, who is agronomist and has some very very interesting stories. We send him kisses now. Early in the morning we caught train for Maribor. In Zagreb we were hanging around in t-shirts on the way to border it was snowing. On border it was like little problemmy, they've putted my bags out and stuff but they let us trough. We arrived on the station and Joseph was waiting for us with his friend from Gratz but i cant recall her name. We went to pekarna complex. There were our friend Vlanto, then people from hungary Maxigas, Hajne and Daniel, our humble friend Sergio from Denmark in Spain, then people from Maribor Vesna, Ramiz and Mister Director, also there was our friend Raresh who is legal alien, who is Romanian in Zagreb and his companion Tatjana who is not an alien cause she is from Zagreb. After fastcore breakfast meeting started. Maxigas made a report about this already, so we wont write about it now. We had a short break for lunch that was like in hotel Yugoslavia, we want to thank two girls that cooked, it was supergreat. Meeting continued until the late in the night when i went to sleep with some portugese. Here we want to thank all the people from maribor for visas, place to stay, great food, organization, and everything. Thank you Joseph, Vesna, Mister Director, Ramiz thank you everybody.

In the morning we caught a train to Ljubljana, Tine waited for us at the station, we went to Metelkova place to a infoshop. There was Majda and some girls from Belgrade to. We went to Rog for a lunch. There was Jeja with us. Then we returned and checked out the infoshop until



the evening. Pera our friend came so we hanged with her for a while. In the evening people started to show up. Also Vlanto maxigas hajne Daniel and Sergio came from maribor. The meeting was ok. There were about 20 30 people. Afterwards the discussion was also ok. After the meeting we went to rog, our juggle friends from Pula organized a gig for some tukish boy that as we understood escaped from immigrand prison and wanted to go to france, but he didn't had money or papers so he was playing his shargie to collect some. After with our new friend talija we returned to metelkova to queer party which was over, but we had fun, there was also barbra from Bratislava. Finaly we went to infoshop to sleep but Iva and Sergio started a flamenco salsa samba tango electro party. We talked Sergio and barbra to go with us to Rijeka and they said yes. Here we want to thank everybody from metelkova very much, Thank you Tine, Matej, Jeja, Pera, People from the infoshop, People from the rog, Juggulars from pula, friend with skateboard talija, thank you all very much.

It was horrible, we woke up in half past five, we were like zombies, Sergio didn't want to wake up, Iva smashed his balls, Barbra decided not to go, it was hell, we were late, we were running for trains with 50 kilo bags, it was a nightmare but we made it. On the Croatian border there was no problem. In rijeka Leonardo and Broona came, took us to ivex to skatula infoshop. Then they all left to sabotage some nato presentation and Sergio and i were sleeping. Then Pendula came and he took us to index for meal. The wind was blowing like hell, in croatia bura means evil sadomasochistic wind from the deepest places in hell. Later in the evening we had a meeting. We couldn't play any movie, cause we lost it in Ljubljana, but we are really thankfull to people from metelkova, that found it and send it to us. So we presented our stuff and people were really interested, some of them wants to come to the conference and we collected bunch of mails and we talked about the anti nato campaign that they are preparing. also we talked why there are no squats in rijeka and whole croatia (it is interesting that people from Zagreb are planning to squat some house these days and also they are working on some really interesting projects, its permacultural community, we hope to visit them to). Also Sergio once again told his story about the energy and people got really interested and exchanged e mails with him. So it was really good. We want to thank leo, bruna, stela, ana, penx and the others. Tomorrow we got to Sarajevo after traveling like 15 hours and there was a big chaos, so we couldn't make a presentation there cause ther were some kind of demos there, but we left materials and talked with the girl and we are in contact with her so we think that we can do stuff in the future, also she can make us connected with the other people from bosnia. So thanks to alsa, boris, darko.

So the last station was skopje and it was really grate. People were really hospitable and they put really lots of effort to organize us presentation, so there were like 50 or even more people. We spoke on our bad Macedonian, but we understood each other, cause although there are borders, we don't really feel it like "another" country. so we also collect bunch of e mails and there was good discussion going on afterwards. And we brought really lost of stuff from our distro and people took it like everything! It was a new experience for us for sure! So thanks a lot to vasko, tina, mungos, acika and the others for food, sleeping, taking care of us and all they were like really super hospitable!

General impressions: we are really satisfied with the tour. There were some bad moments, but also some really incredible moments. We think that all in all did a good job. We made conections, informed people. But you have to realize that situation in this part of balkan is

specific. But we made conections and belive that things are going to get better now. Also for us personal this was a great experience, cause we met a lot of people and heard a lot of interesting stuff, and this was really great opportunity for us to come to slovenia and we are really thankfull to all the people who helped this to happen, we wont write their names, but you people know who you are, so thank you!

So now we have to go and make plans for Romania

See you at the barricades.

Peoples' Global Action International Prepmeeting in Maribor

On 03 and 04 of March 2008, a multi-vitamin festival of free exchange, called "Radost obrata 3/4" (Joy of revolt 3/4), took place in Maribor. The festival hosted numerous active individuals and groups from different parts of Europe (from Berlin, Budapest, Denmark, Ljubljana, Maribor, Nis, Zagreb... were there), who are all, each in their own way, fighting bio-political and eco-social catastrophes, brought on by the neoliberal and nationalist ideologies.

This meeting was not only a second preparational meeting for the upcoming PGA conference, but also a place to discuss a very wide variety of topics and to share ideas.

Some of the topics discussed the two days were:

Presentations on Monday: PGA history, Euromayday, 0th Transnational, anti-NATO, ROG social centre Ljubljana, Map of Struggles

Working groups on Tuesday: Balkan Infotour (by Nirdala Collective), Energy (by S), Digital Tools. Communications for Balkan Decentralised Network & PGA, Infopoints for Balkan Decentralised Network & PGA, Radical Exchange, Political Narrative, Money Money Money

A lot of ideas for future actions and projects came out form this meeting. Some of them are still discussed openly on the different mailing lists.

The minutes from the meeting can be read here:

http://eurone.ngaconference.org/en/greece_08/inter_premmeeting_in_maribor

CARAMBOLAGE CALLOUT FOR GLOBAL OFFICE, PGA-INSPIRED INFOPOINT

Recognizing the need for an international space for activists in Berlin, the Carambolage Collective is issuing a callout for people to join our efforts in creating a dynamic meeting space and a People's Global Action (PGA) Infopoint. We invite anyone who is interested in helping to realize this vision, on a conceptual as well as a task-oriented level. We hope that activists will find out about what is going on and make connections here, talk to each other and give feedback.

We are an informal group which also loosely bases its ideas on the PGA Hallmarks. These were also the cornerstones of the Dissent! International Network mobilizations against the G8 in past years.

We intend our infopoint to function as a community space, where we can make the decentralized PGA network more visible and maintain an open forum for the involvement of independent groups. PGA has no members, all collectives and individuals involved are autonomous. This creates a good infrastructure for mutually supporting a variety of projects and initiatives.

The Carambolage Collective started April 2007 with the creation of the anti-G8 infopoint. We are seeking more activists to expand the international support network to revive the anti-WEF movement as well. We also need more help to organize informational events and to kick off topic-related campaigns.

Some of our shorter term goals are to mobilize for anti-nuclear campaigns, anti-G8 and anti-NATO actions in Romania 2-4 April 2008.

Furthermore, we plan to develop the Carambolage web site (www.carambolage.cc) which provides information on where to obtain legal advice for activists experiencing state repression. We also plan to assist in mobilizing efforts against the next WEF in Switzerland, support and endorse international protests and anti-capitalist campaigns, and finally, to campaign for the right of assembly at demonstrations in Germany. Additional ideas are to work on campaigns around current topics and to set up an archive of international activist materials in our office, available in different languages.

As already mentioned above, newcomers to the Carambolage collective would have plenty of struggles to plug into. 11-12 April 2008 are the decentralized Days of Action for Squats and Autonomous Spaces. This year, there will also be climate and anti-racist camps to get involved with. The next PGA conference is scheduled at the end of August in Greece, as well as campaigns against the US military bases in the Czech Republic and Poland.

We plan to have plenary meetings once a month so that everyone involved or who wants to get involved can come and exchange ideas. We would like to maintain not just an office, but create a clearing house of activist information. We see the global office providing materials, launching international solidarity campaigns with other anti-capitalist struggles outside of Germany and Europe, as well as network locally in Berlin. At times when global actions are scheduled to take place in Berlin, we want to provide a local infrastructure for visiting activists. We would like to provide a networking space for independent media activists, squatters, radical workplace activists, and more.

If interested in becoming involved, please contact the Carambolage collective at: carambolage@riseup.net ; www.carambolage.cc

Glocal Office, New Yorck 59 / Bethanien; Plenum: am ersten Dienstag des Monats, 19:00 Uhr; Unsere Öffnungszeiten: Dienstags 19:00-21:00 Uhr

GLOBALIZE RESISTANCE: SI NOS TOCAN A UN@ NOS TOCAN TOD@S!!
FIGHT CAPITAL & ITS REACTION... FREE THE COMMONS

MASSIVE REPRESSIONS DURING THE NATO SUMMIT IN ROMANIA

One day before the start of the Nato summit in Bucharest the situation was getting worse...

“Hourly alternative looking people are detained by the police for no reason. Afterwards the police construct absurd offence, for example carrying a pocketknife amounting to possession a weapon. Every person coming to or leaving the convergence center is in danger of getting detained (some simply for walking to a nearby shop). The detained are interrogated, photographed and fingerprinted in police stations, and held for up to 24 hours. At the Romanian border several groups of activists, as well as others, have been denied entry into the country. The most involved Romanian activists around the country have at this point been visited or called by either the local police or SRI (Romanian information service) to be warned against participating in any anti-nato protests or to have their families intimidated.

27000 police officers, military, snipers and secret police are occupying the city. The security alert code yellow has been announced, meaning that all demonstrations are forbidden in the whole city amongst other restrictive laws. In the face of this repression the actions of the few activists present are severely limited. Therefore we urgently need your solidarity. Please make solidarity actions in your cities.”



Repression Update list:

19th of March - Calafat checkpoint 6 anti-nato German activists; searched for 19 hours

26th of March - four of the 6 tried to cross again at Giurgiu check-point

27th of March - Tatiana Duplei was run over

28th of March - “Die Young” hardcore group from Texas Cenad check-point denied entry

29th of March - 7am - 5 anti-nato activists in Bucharest were stopped by the sector 3 police and taken to police station 11 for verification. They refused to have photos taken or be fingerprinted, and were only let go once they started making phone calls to the mass media

31st of March - 7 Czech activists tried to cross the border and were detained at the border for 8 hours after which they were denied entry into Romania. One of the activists was carrying some information from the Czech anti-radar base movement. They were all searched and some cd's and leaflets were found

1st of April - 00:30 3 activists were stopped by sector 3 jandarmerie when they were coming back from the market. They were stopped for 2 hours outside and then taken to section 14. a penal case has been opened against them for carrying 'white weapons' (Swiss army knife)

1st of April - in the morning 4 polish activists tried to cross the border. After their license plate number was checked they were told by the police that they knew that they were going to Bucharest to protest against nato and were denied entry.

1st of April - c. 12:30 1 person was stopped by sector 3 jandarmerie for suspicion of having stolen goods on his person and taken to the section 3 police for verification and checking after 1.5 hours on the street. he was released at around 6 pm. Big backpack

1st of April - a bus of anti-nato activists from Berlin was stopped in Pitesti. The activists were taken to the police station and after some interrogation, were escorted out of Pitesti and started driving towards Bucharest. They reached Bucharest late on the 1st of april along with the police escort but are constantly with the police escort and cannot come to the convergence center.

1st of April - in the late afternoon a group of 4 anti-nato activists passing out flyers were detained and taken to section 8 and 4 other anti-nato activists were detained and taken to section 8 as well...

1st of April - in the late evening several anti-nato activists were stopped and searched by police while on their way to the convergence center, but eventually were let go.

2nd of April - At approximately 12:30 pm, hundreds of police descended on the legally rented convergence center of the anti-NATO gathering in Bucharest. At this point, some organizers on the scene estimate that 46 arrests in all have been made. All the arrests were made inside the convergence center. There was no demonstration happening. Many of the police were wearing ski masks, and were very hostile to journalists trying to access the scene.

Solidarity is our weapon
Support Global Resistance
Fight capitalist war! Fight capitalist peace!
Smash the NATO

Conscientious Objector İsmail Saygı arrested

İsmail Saygı who has declared his objection on 15th November 2006 after having 7 months in military. He got arrested on 16th March in İstanbul.

Saygı; has arrest warrant in default cause of his legally situation of he's in; conscientious objection doesn't agreed by the Turkish State and after his capture he got taken to the Üsküdar Military Police. Later, he got take to the court of Selimiye Military Prosecutor and the court decided to send him to the Maltepe Military Prison, the place now he is. Propably İsmail will be take to the Kars/Sarıkamış Military Prison in 3 days.

We are supporting İsmail Saygı's ideas of conscientious objection and claming. To declare our supports to the people of society at the same time to support with İsmail Saygı; We will be in Galatasaray square on 19th of March Wednesday at 14.00 o'clock and will make a press declaration. Also this declaration will be a starting point for the long term compaign.

We are waiting for the people who is against wars and/or supporting the conscientious objection.

Solidarity Initiative With İsmail Saygı

<http://balkans.puscii.nl/?q=node/33>

Proposal for the coordination of collectives by a campaign of solidarity to the zapatistas and against repression in Chiapas



The proposal that follows has already been received by the majority of European solidarity groups. Until now, the groups that have signed the proposal (some from Latin America) and are discussing its realization are:

Platform of Solidarity to Chiapas, Oaxaca and Guatemala (Spain), Commission Chiapas of CGT (Confederacion General de Trabajo) (Spain), CEDOZ (Centro de Documentacion sobre el zapatismo) (Spain), Red Libertaria - Apoyo Mutuo (Spain), Red Latino Sin Fronteras (Sweden), Open Assembly of Solidarity with the Zapatistas and Against Repression in Chiapas (Greece), Commission of Solidarity to the Zapatistas (Finland), Commission of Solidarity with the Fight of Indigenous peoples of Chiapas (France), Comuneros In de Ecuador (Ecuador), Network of Solidarity with the Zapatistas Vincente Lopez (Argentina), Radio Nueva America (Sweden), Autonomous Syndicate of Solidarity of Aragon (Spain), Immigrants Network "Ernesto Guevara" (Spain), SODEPAZ (Spain), Global Caracol (Mexico), Commission of Solidarity to the Zapatistas (Norway), Commission of Solidarity to Chiapas (Costa Rica), Commission of Solidarity of Barcelona (Spain), Association Ya Basta (Italy), Commission of Solidarity MutVitz – Toulouse (France), Caracol of Solidarity (France), Coordination of Solidarity with Chiapas Tuscany (Italy), Comitato Maribel de Bergano (Italy), Project of Rebelled Dignity (Italy), La Coordinadora (Italy), Mani Tese Lucca (Italy), Collectives of Pisa (Italy), Fuga Em Rede (Galicia)

The proposal is under discussion in the group of GruppeBASTA of Germany.
Contact: europazapatista@listas.nodo50.org

Proposal

With the intension of creating a coordinated and mass reaction in Europe, we call at all individuals, organizations and collectives of solidarity, with the intention of starting and realizing a "Campaign of Solidarity to the rebelled communities" and against the repression that they are facing since 1994. This repression that has been intensified during the last months, is clearly aiming at imposing a constant war of "low intension" to the indigenous communities that are continuing to resist with dignity, claiming their rights, constructing autonomy, practicing direct democracy and devising in every instant the other way of making politics, the other way of governing and being governed, building here and now the new world.

Such a campaign would not leave out of its goals the demand for fulfillment of the San Andres accords, the release of all political prisoners, the respect of the rights of all the peoples of Mexico that are facing repression from police, military and paramilitary forces, with the full compliance of mass media.

One of the basic goals of this campaign is the organization of a CARAVAN OF SOLIDARITY that will run through the Zapatista communities that have been attacked, for 15 days in the summer of 2008.

Thoughts for a possible program of action ...open to the imagination and the strengths of the groups that will adhere...

In every country and city of Europe, according to the strengths of every collective or collectives, actions and events to be organized, while making an effort of coinciding (in at least some of the dates).

Possible actions and dates

- 16 February: Announcement of the campaign with interviews and actions of information. Notification of the goals and reasons of its existence and a call for participation.
- From the 22nd of February and onwards: Supporting the tour of CAPISE in every country with the organisation of events, interviews, meetings with groups... The European tour will last three months (CAPISE (Centre for Political Social and Economic Research), is an organisation directly connected with EZLN, that has been involved for many years with the problems concerning land in Chiapas and with paramilitary organisations, their political links and their tactics. They have created a meeting place in San Cristobal, called Tierra Adentro, in which are functioning the Zapatista women's cooperatives, a café, meeting places for collectives etc. Also in Tierra Adentro, EZLN events take place and the initiation of the second phase of the Other Campaign with the presence of the MST and Via Campesina through video conference.
- 10th April: Date of assassination of Zapata. A good date for coordinated action in all of Europe. It could be a concert in every country or anything else. It depends on the imagination and strengths of each group...
- In the beginning of May, two years from Atenco and Oaxaca... two or three days of action with protest outside the embassies of Mexico in every country.
- June: intensification of the campaign for the caravan and informative actions.
- Beginning of July: caravan of solidarity that will travel from Europe and for 15 days to the rebelled Zapatista communities.

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EUROMAYDAY PARADE 2008



MAYDAY, MAYDAY! Emergency Call from Aachen/Aix-la-Chapelle/Aquisgranum

Link to Poster: http://www.radicaleurope.org/visuals/euromayday_aachen_008.jpg
Info Updates: <http://euromayday.karlspreis.info> (german, french, english)

On the First of May in Aachen/ Aken/ Aix-la-Chapelle/ Aquisgrana/ Aquisgrán / Akwizgran/ Aachen, ancient carolingian city, Nicolas Sarkozy will present Angela Merkel with the EU Oscar, the Prix Charlemagne. Irony of the calendar, syndicalist MayDay this year coincides with catholic Ascension Day, when the Eurocracy Awards are traditionally handed out.

The duo congratulates itself for having finally shielded the EU from the social demands of the people, who scream for an end to free-market theology in europe. The new european diarchy is turning the continent into a police state and would be happy to erase the heretic meaning of MayDay, and the Anarchist and Socialist traditions of europe along with it.

This year for MayDay, two worlds clash together: the global movement vs strong-armed governments; grassroots networks and squatted social centers vs EU power; Utopian Society vs Capitalist Market; the radical europe of multitudes vs the conservative Europe of élites.

We are gonna spoil the party of the powerful, by raising hell in Aachen and holding our own party: the EuroMayDay Parade, the transeuropean demonstration of all precarious and migrants against workfare, discrimination and border controls held in more than twenty cities.

We, the EuroMayDay Network cannot accept that MayDay is turned into the Ascension Day into stardom of the two failing sovereigns of Christian, NATO Europe. We reject Charlemagne as symbol of Europe, just as we denounce the neoliberalism of the Barroso Commission and the monetarism of Trichet's Central Bank.

Forced to live in precarious hell, we're going to trash the heaven of EU élites. Don't miss it: shame the twin rulers of Europe, expose their authoritarian arrogance, join the thousands coming to Aachen (close to Cologne) for the strongest protest against the core of europower ever mounted. Show Angie and Sarko what the European movement against neoliberalism and militarism is capable of. Come to the special EuroMayDay Protest+Parade+Party that collectives in Aachen, Liège, Maastricht, and other cities of the region are organizing. Facilities, accommodation and food will be provided to protesters in Aachen in the days immediately before and after the First of May.

Activists, artists, hackers, unionists, migrant associations, queer collectives, critical cyclists, media creatives, leftist radicals of all stripes – red, black, green, pink, purple, silver – are coming to Aachen and other EuroMayDay Parades to join the fight.

First of May in Aachen:

morning: EuroMayDay PROTESTS nearby Rathaus where Karlspreis is given to Merkel by Sarkozy

afternoon: EuroMayDay PARADE starts nearby site of protest *evening:* MayDay PARTY in public park

No Borders, No Workfare, No Precarity.

Join Us also in the MayDay Parades in Berlin, Copenhagen, Hamburg, Lisbon, Milano, Malaga, Maribor, Tokyo, and many other cities!

EuroMayDay

fighting precarity and inequality since 2004

www.euromayday.org

SPACE IS THE PLACE : SIDESTEPPING THE PROPERTY LADDER, 11-13 APRIL LONDON

from email, 19 March 2008:

This is a one-off event in a new venue which will form part of the April days of international action in support of autonomous spaces (april2008.squat.net).

A weekend-long social centre in London in an occupied space to coincide with the Europe-wide days of action in defence of free spaces and for an anti-capitalist popular culture.

The themes for Space Is the Place event will be: the current housing crisis affecting the most disadvantaged, the appropriation of public space by big business through privatisation and speculation (PFIs etc), the sell-off of council housing, the Olympics in 2012 and the ruin of the Lea Valley at the tax-payers' expense, social centres, squats & free spaces, the mismanagement of land and its ownership by the wealthy elite...

We will be including: an open access art-space to be themed as above, discussions and skill-sharing to bring people together and share ideas on how we can solve the problems we face, info-station for DIY action, films, photography, music and cafe.

If you are engaged in struggle relating to land, housing, poverty etc - whether a group or individual - please contact us. We are looking for artists, alternative DIY enthusiasts, building crew etc to make this event successful.



To contribute: housingmatters@hushmail.com

Private enterprise owns and runs nearly all of the places where we live and work. Social centres provide much needed public space for people to meet outside of the over-priced and controlled business ventures that make up our leisure options.

Social centres are run by and for the local community, and are not affiliated to political parties etc. We can meet to exchange skills and experiences, enjoy good food and a cuppa.

Squatting puts empty buildings into use and returns public space to all of us. GET INVOLVED

Advisory Service For Squatters <http://www.squatter.org.uk>

56A Infoshop - Home to Squatters Practical Network, London and large squat archive... Twice monthly.

<http://www.56a.org.uk/>

Timetable:

Friday Evening: gallery open, cafe, social meetup.

Saturday (day): Stalls from ASS and others, vegan cafe, film, cups of tea and plots.

Saturday evening: Advisory Service for Squatters Benefit - Live music from Headjam, The Skints, Ras Simeon Judah, Spanner (TBC). Plus cafe and films on squatting, land and housing, DJ's Ronin, Terracore.

Sunday: You decide!

There will be a dedicated team who will be organising, curating and installing artwork into the gallery space but this is a DIY event, so please don't expect all the work to be done for you. We welcome involvement on all levels – we will need invigilantes for the gallery and elsewhere; stewards, door staff, stall minders – and people to generally spread the word before the event. This is a new event so it's a good opportunity for active and energetic people to make a fresh start with a new group!

<http://www.squat.net> European Squatters April Callout <http://www.housing-matters.org.uk/>

APPEAL FOR SIGNING THE SUPPORT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS, FREE AND IN SELF-MANAGING USE OF ROG FACTORY

Thursday, 20th of March 22.30 Mayor of city of Ljubljana Zoran Jankovič decides to make an unexpected visit. He notifies the people in Rog that he will order the evacuation and sealing of Rog. Upon being asked what the reason for his decision was he said that the users broke the agreement with The City Council of the City of Ljubljana (MOL) which claimed that no one was to reside in the factory. The reason for his decision was supposed to be the hosting of »Brothers of liberty«, a German medieval craftsman guild, which is holding a congress this weekend in Rog. It is an old association, whose graduates acquire a trade certificate after they contribute to the public benefit in various cities for several months with their work and are welcome everywhere in Europe because of their noble mission. As hosting such a collective is in accordance with the mission of openness of Rog, the Mayor's demand that Rog denies them the hospitality is simply impossible. Rog will build no walls for the »Brothers of liberty«. It

will not instigate Security or police against them. The world of walls, security services, exclusions and discrimination is the world of Mayor Jankoviæ. Rog is a different world. Many have finally found a place in it where they can express themselves freely. Many have found in it the dignity and value of their life. Everything, that the world of Major Jankoviæ wants to deny them. A rich programme, an exceptional amount of events and an incredible social engagement of Rog is a testimony to all this, which can all be seen on the websites

www.tovarna.org and

www.njnetwork.org.

Mayor Jankoviæ's assault on Rog is simultaneously symbolic and real. The formal reason for this outburst of self-will and authoritarianism is hosting the »Brothers of liberty«. The real reason however is the hatred towards all forms of creative existence that are actively rejecting the subordination to the authority of »The City Council of the City of Ljubljana « - a company, in which a handful of arbitrary and authoritarian Moguls is trampling the freedom of expression, human dignity and diversity. It is about the methodical destroying of those rare possibilities of autonomous and self-defined activities of individuals and groups that reject to do just what the hegemonic model of organised social life expects them to do. For the managerial ideology of the municipal authorities the sole existence of such possibilities of different creativeness is already problematical.

Therefor it is important, that you support the free, self-managing and Autonomous use of Rog. Oppose the destruction of one of the rare places in which different forms of collective activity and life are possible. With your signing and other forms of support you will be sending out a message that this city, this society and this world needs places like Rog. We ask you to send your messages of support for Rog to the Mayor's email and fax number.

You can sign this petition at <http://www.njnetwork.org/spip.php?article67>.

Jankovic's contacts are mail: zoran.jankovic@ljubljana.si, fax: 013061214.

Temporary users of Rog Ljubljana, 21. March 2008.

PGA HALLMARKS

1. A very clear rejection of capitalism, imperialism and feudalism; all trade agreements, institutions and governments that promote destructive globalisation.
2. We reject all forms and systems of domination and discrimination including, but not limited to, patriarchy, racism and religious fundamentalism of all creeds. We embrace the full dignity of all human beings.
3. A confrontational attitude, since we do not think that lobbying can have a major impact in such biased and undemocratic organisations, in which transnational capital is the only real policy-maker.
4. A call to direct action and civil disobedience, support for social movements' struggles, advocating forms of resistance which maximize respect for life and oppressed peoples' rights, as well as the construction of local alternatives to global capitalism.
5. An organisational philosophy based on decentralisation and autonomy. PGA is a tool for coordination, not an organization. PGA has no members and does not have and will not have a juridical personality. Nor organisation or person represents PGA.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED ?

You can search for your local infopoint at:

http://europe.pgaconference.org/en/pga/infopoints/existing_infopoints

Or you can write to one of those mailing lists:

1. European Mailing Lists

- pga_europe_process@squat.net: PGA process, organization, conferences and internal discussions
- pga_europe_resistance@squat.net: announcements about actions around europe
- pga-announce@pgaconference.org: to receive main announcements relating to PGA projects and meetings, to be invited to next conference and other bigger events
- pga-i18n@pgaconference.org: if you have any translations skills, this is the list you can join and where you can for translation of calls, important mails and documents
- pga-infopoints@pgaconference.org: a list used for various infopoint administrative tasks, for new infopoints who want to be listed, for old infopoints who want to update their survey, and to send the various documents and translations that should be added to the infopoint webpage
- pga-www@pgaconference.org: this is the list of people dealing with this very website

2. Global Communication

- globalaction@lists.riseup.net: for the PGA global process
- convenors@lists.riseup.net: for convenors
- pgawana@lists.riseup.net: for PGA Middle-East

Or you can also visit one of the following sites:

<http://pgaconference.org>

<http://peoplesglobalaction.org>

<http://www.agp.org>

<http://all4all.org>

<http://balkans.puscii.nl>