

Introducing iRevo...

All non-LFI-members of Revo present at the first day of REVOCAMP 2006 founded an independent tendency in REVOLUTION.

We stand behind the concept and the programme of Revo. But we can't recognize the structures of Revo which were created at a conference representing one single faction. We can't accept the expulsion of Revo Australia.

We want to work together with the League for the Fifth International (LFI), as with other groups that share our programme, but on a basis that is honest, open, and eye-to-eye. We recognize the work of LFI members in building up Revo. But their factional work has undermined democracy and is destroying Revo as an international organization.

We will fight to make Revo truly independent, based on the principles of Liebknecht, Lenin, Trotsky, and the LFI itself, at least officially. Because of the LFI leadership's practice of making all important decisions and documents for Revo (which the LFI faction has tried to deny in the past and even continues to deny) Revo cannot be politically or even organizationally independent.

The first international conference of Revo, in which the LFI-IS imposed new structures, plunged the organization into a crisis. The second conference has imposed structures including only the LFI faction, in which several sections are not represented, and this has deepened the crisis. Revo's official structures are not recognized by a big part of the organization.

To maintain unity, we need international structures recognized by all. For this we propose a provisional RIC composed of one representative of each section, including the Australian section.

Democratic centralism is the only form of organization for communists. But when democracy is blocked by a majority faction, centralism can only be bureaucratic. We cannot accept a form of "democratic centralism" which means obeying the dictates of the LFI.

To create a united international organization, we need to synthesize the experiences and the political positions of the different sections in a democratic discussion. This is impossible when Revo's documents are worked out by five older men from the LFI leadership.

Our tendency is necessary as long as a closed majority faction controls the organization. We call on this faction to dissolve itself and for LFI members in Revo to work in an open way.

Capitalism won't smash itself. Viva iRevo!

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Who we are...

Independent REVOLUTION, iRevo *, is a tendency in the international communist youth organization REVOLUTION, consisting of Revo Germany, Revo Switzerland, half of Revo Czech Republic, having supporters in other countries. The independent tendency was established at REVOCAMP 2006 in Liberec, shortly after the second international delegate conference in Prague, which the LFI faction tried to use to establish the rule of the LFI leadership over all sections of Revo. We call on all members of REVOLUTION who want to build up a truly independent communist youth organization, and all members of the LFI in Revo who can no longer support the practice of doing one thing and saying another, to join us.

To contact us, please send an e-mail to one of the groups or post in the forum of Revo Germany. We will produce a more complete statement as soon as possible. Our politics are best expressed in the critical documents for the conference produced by Revo Germany and Revo Czech Republic, as well as in the statement of all the independent delegates at the conference who were forced to leave. These are available in the forums of Revo Germany and Revo UK, as well as on the web site of Permanent Revolution. (We are not, as some people might think, associated with or led by PR.)

We will release all documents relating to the struggles leading up to the formation of iRevo as soon as possible on this web site. Not because we think that our little group is very important, but because the issues under debate, like the meaning of "independent youth organization", are important for a broader movement.

* A sign that we are always willing to listen to and implement good suggestions coming from the LFI is the name "iRevo" (thanks, Josh!)

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