

World Peace Forum 2014: Imperialism, Resistance, and Alternatives

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NATO War Agenda

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The World Peace Forum Society's 7th Annual Teach-In

Date: Saturday, October 25, 2014.

Location: Simon Fraser University Harbour Centre – 515 West Hastings.

Registration will start at 8:30 am, the first plenary will begin at 9:00 am, the last will end at 6:00 pm. Over the course of the day there will be three plenary sessions and three sets of workshop sessions.

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The plenary sessions are:

- **Déjà vu** How WWI Is used to justify imperialism today- Ingo Schmidt
- Two Big Boys NATO: The Cops of the World (Mahdi Nazemroaya); and China: Number Two and Trying Harder (Mingi Li)
- Fortune Telling Thoughts on the Coming Years with Minqi Li, Marta Harnecker, Mahdi Nazemroaya

Workshops

Three series of four simultaneous workshops, arranged thematically:

Imperialism

- China: Left or Right?
- NATO Pushes East- What does the Ukraine Represent?
- Latin America Alternative or Partner?
- South Africa Neoliberalism with a Human Face?

Resistance

- The Chinese Labour Movement Today- and a report back from BC Fed visit to China
- Euro-critics Left AND Right
- Health, Housing and Education- Defending the Right to Live
- Arab Spring- What Season Are We In?

Alternatives

- The Rise of the Working Class in China
- Fundamentalists of All Countries Unite The Reappearance of Everything Old
- Bolivarian Revolution and ALBA at 10 Years
- O Canada! Strategies for Change- A panel of activists from the electoral and extra-electoral movements for social change

Keynote Speakers

- Ingo Schmidt Academic Coordinator of Labour Studies in the Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies at Athabasca University.
- Mahdi Darius Nazemroaya Research Associate at the Centre for Research on Globalization and Canadian sociologist.
- Minqi Li Associate Professor of Economics at the University of Utah and Chinese political economist.
- Marta Harnecker Director of Memoria Popular Latinoamerica (MEPLA) and Chilean sociologist.

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