

ALTER SUMMIT

Workshop “Building Unity!”
Brussels – 25&26 November
Rue Pléтинckx 19 Pletinckxstraat
Start: 25.11 at 10:00, End: 26.11 at 16:30

Dear friends,

We are organizing the second edition of the Alter Summit conference on November 25&26 in Brussels that will focus on social and labour rights and our struggles to defend and expand them (“Social & Labour rights in times of austerity and deregulation: Strengthen and connect struggles in Europe”). The conference will be organized around 4 main streams:

- 1. Struggles against climate change and austerity: could the ecological transition be the issue that unites us?**
- 2. Defend and promote commons and public services for all.**
- 3. Resistance 2.0: Digitalization and technology push production and economy into transition. Organizing responses for a new labour reality.**
- 4. Towards convergence of struggles, building bridges to unity!**

As an important actor of the struggle, we are very interested in your participation/in the participation of your collective/organisation to the stream « Towards convergence of struggles, building bridges to unity! » (more details below). We aim to gather diverse collectives coming from different backgrounds and have an intensive debate on our organizational experiences, our current struggles and of course the possibility of joined action.

We are still evaluating our capacity to cover travel and accomodation costs, but perhaps you could already save the date and let us know if you are interested in participating to the Conference.

Feel free to take contact with us for any question about the Conference and/or the workshop.

Thank you in advance for your feedback !
All the best,

ATTAC-Deutschland (Germany), Ciré asbl (Belgium), Coalition Internationale des Sans-papiers, Migrants, Réfugiés et Demandeurs d'asile (Europe), Comité des Travailleurs.euses sans-papiers de la CSC (Belgium), Global Social Justice (Belgium), Mouvement Ouvrier Chrétien (Belgium), Precarios Inflexiveis (Portugal), Transform/Change4All (Europe)
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« Towards convergence of struggles, building bridges for unity ! »

While divisions in our society are deepening, our society has become an ultra competitive space. Social and economic inequality, as well as precarity and insecurity are normalized. Borders and walls revive a regime of militarized physical separation between "the privileged" and "the unprivileged". Fear, alienation and individualization dominate the public debate.

This situation is weakening our collective power and challenges international solidarity, by forcing us into a survivalist mode. This reality has concrete impacts on our struggles, as it places obstacles on our way to convergence and unity.

We organize series of workshops during the Alter Summit 2016 in Brussels (November 25&26), to collectively explore this situation by exchanging experiences and initiate a process towards a convergence of our struggles.

- What are the division lines amongst the struggling peoples of Europe?
- What are the common strategies/ patterns the establishment uses to enhance division?
- What positive examples of collectives, grassroots, movements are out there when it comes to unity?
- What are the steps to follow towards a political and practical convergence of struggles?
- How could we build a common agenda/campaign for the coming next months/years?

We welcome you to join this very ambitious discussion and share your experiences, ideas and visions during the process.

With, (for the moment), the participation of: ATTAC-Deutschland (Germany), Ciré asbl (Belgium), Coalition Internationale des Sans-papiers, Migrants, Réfugiés et Demandeurs d'asile (Europe), Comité des Travailleurs.euses sans-papiers de la CSC (Belgium), Global Social Justice (Belgium), Mouvement Ouvrier Chrétien (Belgium), Precarios Inflexiveis (Portugal), Transform/Change4All (Europe)

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