



FINNISH SOCIAL FORUM 2013

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DIGNITY



THE FORUM WILL BE STARTED AND CLOSED TOGETHER: DIGNITY!

The theme of the Finnish Social Forum is Dignity! The opening discussion is held on Saturday 20 April at 10 am in the ballroom of Arbis. Dignity is discussed with the topic "Human, communities and dominance of economics."

After dozens of seminars and workshops we will again meet in the ballroom on Sunday at 3 pm. In the closing event the experiences of the two days will be collected and dignity will be discussed from the viewpoint of gender, ethnicity and global solidarity.

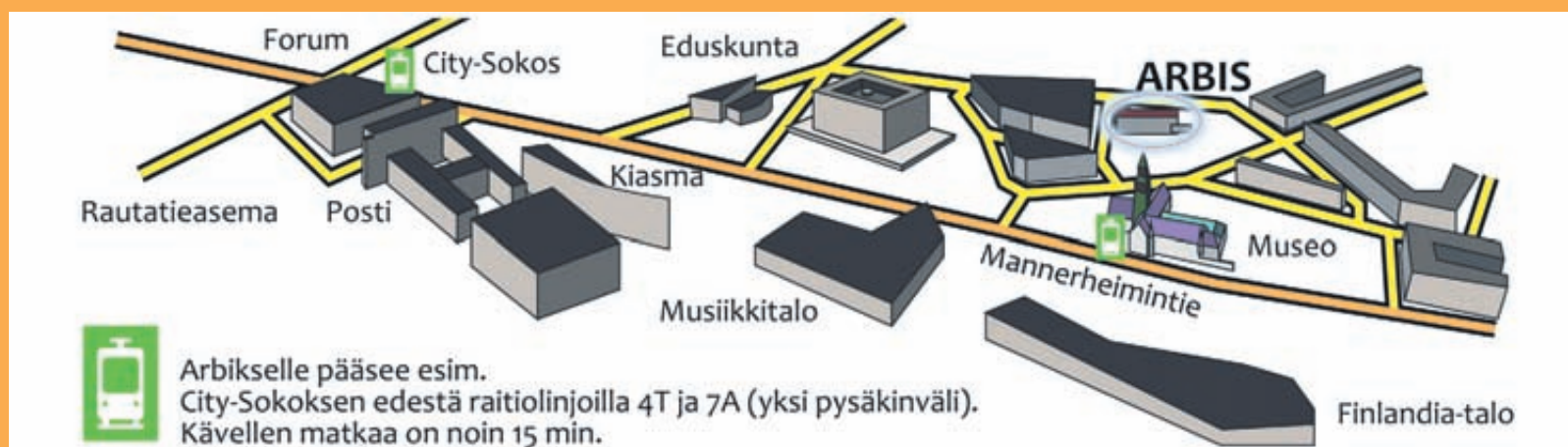
VISITOR INFO

The Finnish Social Forum is held at Arbis, Dagmarinkatu 3, near Parliament House, right in the center of Helsinki. We recommend using public transport to get there as no special parking is provided for the event.

Entrance to the Social Forum is free and there is no need to register in advance. The majority of the events are held in the classrooms of Arbis with a limited number of seats. The best way to secure your entrance for a specific seminar is to arrive early.

Arbis is equipped with an elevator. On the 2nd floor is the Café Arbis, where you can buy refreshments and a light lunch. Child-care is on the 4th floor, and is provided by Stadin Aikapankki. See above if you need childcare.

At the entrance of Arbis is an INFO-post that answers your practical questions during the weekend.



CHILD CARE

The Time Bank Of Helsinki (stadin aikapankki) arranges childcare during the Finnish Social Forum. If you have the need for childcare at a specific time, you can tell about it in before hand to the contact person of lapsiparkki, vappu. helmisaari(at)lektio.fi (otherwise come and see if there is room in the Lapsiparkki!). Are you (also) interested in taking care of children for a few hours? Also in that case please contact Vappu. All the nurses receive tovi (currency of time bank) according to the time. You also could use the tovis you earned in the time bank and receive from there the help you may need!



Read more about the time bank of helsinki
www.stadinaikapankki.wordpress.com

Dayamani, poor adivasi woman who stops multi-billionaire corporations

Dayamani, inspite of the death-threats she got, mobilised and led indigenous and local communities into people's movement, which prevented in 2010 world's biggest steel corporation Arcelor Mittal from taking their ancestral lands and displacing them – even though Mittal already had Memorandum of Understanding with Jharkhand Govt for 12 000 000 tons annual capacity steel plant and 2500 Mw power plant which will displaced more then 100000 people.

Since 1995, as an activist, Dayamani had been mobilising people's movement first against the mega Koel Karo hydel power dam project and in 2011 against an illegal dam construction in Khunti area with a result that these 2 dams which would have displaced together more than 262 000 people were not built.

She has participated also to defend the Adivasis of Jadugoda who have struggled against the uranium mine, radiation, pollution and displacement and has also supported Adivasis movement in Dumka after the police killed two activist who were protesting against a thermal power plant taking their lands. Dayamani Barla is an indigenous Munda Adivasi woman from Jarkhand, India.

Since indepedence at least 8000000 people, majority of them Adivasis, have been displaced in Jharkhand for industrial and commercial purposes. Mundas to whom Dayamani belongs as well as other Adivasis have lived and sustained the land, forest and water in Jharkhand for millennia. They have struggled against the British colonial government and commercial interests taking their lands.

For last eight months Dayamani has led a movement against proposed government Law Univesity, Indian Institute of Management, which are forcibly displacing Adivasis by building education centre for industrial business managers on paddy fields cultivated by Adivasis.

But how is it possible that poor indigenous woman can challenge and stop the projects of multi-billionaires' owned global corporations who are supported by the state?

Dayamani runs in connection to her home a small tea-shop, where visit many Advasis and other poor people. They discuss there with each other and with Dayamani about the problems of their area. People also request Dayamani to visit their area and see what kind of problems they have. Dayamani documents the conditions of Adivasis in different areas and writes articles in Mundari and Hindi to the local newspapers about the life and oppression of Adivasi communities.

The resources through which Dayamani can stop the multi-billonaires' corporate projects are her mouth, her eyes, her pen and her small teashop, by which she can give voice to the diverse poor Adivasi communities and mobilise them to prevent the displacement and take-over of their land, water and forest because she is one of the poor Adivasis - thus one to whom they can trust.

Dayamani writes also her blog: <http://dayamani-barla.blogspot.fi/>

Dayamani will travel Finland to participate in the Social Forum seminar "the indigenous people in India threatened by the mines".



Dayamani has visited Finland in Siemenpuu in 2007 and has participated to European Social Forum (ESF) 2008 in Malmö in Sweden. In Malmö ESF Dayamani participated with other indigenous representatives from Kenya, Guatemala, Burundi and India to a seminar on indigenous rights and visited there also Estelle ship which was run by the New Wind association.



INTERNATIONAL GUEST NAMRATA BALI

Namrata Bali is the president of the Self Employed Women's Association SEWA in India. SEWA started in 1972 and has many purposes. SEWA is an organization for women, a trade union and a cooperative for self-employed women. The headquarters of the organization is in Ahmedabad but it has members all over India, today around a million in number.

SEWA has two main goals: the full employment and self-determination of women. Full employment includes work, regular income, guaranteed food, a roof over one's head, health care and daycare for children. The self-determination includes autonomy for women, economic independence and possibilities for decision making as individuals or together.

Millions of women in India still live in poverty despite long and hard working days. Often they don't use their own names, but are presented as either a daughter, a sister or a wife of a man. One issue raised by Bali is the right to sit on a chair. In India there is still a lot of situations where men only are sitting on a chair while women sit on the floor, a tough starting point, for example, to begin negotiating equal work conditions.

SEWA has helped to bring changes to these defects. As a movement of co-operatives it has succeeded in reducing women's poverty and thus to enhance women's self-determination. Many members have been encouraged to use their own name and also learned how to write it. The self-esteem of women is growing and they are encouraged to use their voice.

There has also been a lot of difficulties in spreading information about things, while the major part of the members cannot read or write. Many challenges have been crossed. Information is spread for example by means of plays, songs and radio. At this moment the organization has its own radio program and many of the illiterate and those that before had low self-esteem, are now participating in making the radio programs themselves.

Members of SEWA make a profit for their cooperative by handcraft, among other things, which has the Fair Trade certificate.



FILM DOCUMENTARY VÄRLDENS SÄKRASTE KÄRNKRAFTVERK

Maj Wechsellmann 2012

Film is in Swedish, English subtitles

Duration 77 min.

The film by Swedish documentarist, Maj Wechsellmann, **"The Safest Nuclear Plant in the World"** tells about the Fukushima nuclear accident, connecting it to contradictions of Sweden's nuclear safety.

The film contains material of Greenpeace's 2012 campaigns against nuclear plants in Forsmark and Ringhals. Wechsellmann visited places in Fukushima which the Government of Japan classified as habitable. All the measurements, however, showed that it was in fact the opposite. Children in daycare are not allowed to go out and it is assumed that the inner walls covered with lead protect them from radiation.

The goal is to compare nuclear plants in Japan and Sweden. If nuclear plants in Japan are "the safest in the world" and they explode, how big a risk is there that the same could also happen in Sweden?

Organised by: Women for Peace Women against nuclear power

FINNISH SOCIAL FORUM 2013 PROGRAMME



	Saturday 12:00-14:00	Saturday 14:00-16:00	Saturday 16:00-18:00	Sunday 11:00-13:00	Sunday 13:00-15:00
BALLROOM	Basic income – a way out of subsidy labyrinth? BIEN Finland	Seminar of the end of the world Olli-Pekka Haavisto, Tere Vadén, Mikael Fortelius, Thomas Wallgren ja Marissa Varmavuori – Maan ystävät, Vihreän Elämänsuojelun Liitto and Attac	Intermediate labor market – social employment at cross-roads Tarja Filatov, Outi-alanko Kahiluoto, Antti Holopainen, Lea Karjalainen, Jouko Karjalainen - Ehyt, TVY, SOSTE, THL	Culture of peace vs culture of hate Rauhankulttuuri vs vihakulttuuri Rauhanliitto	Citizens’ initiatives – real democracy or virtual power? Kansalaisaloitteet – todellista kansanvaltaa vai näennäisvaikuttamista Avoim ministeriö, BIEN Finland – Suomen perustuloverkosto
CLASSROOM 23	Regulation of financial markets and tax havens Heikki Tainio, Matti Ylönen and Henry Purje – VVT, Vasemmistofoorumi	Austerity politics of EU and Social Crisis Matti Tuomala, Arja Alho and Erkki Tuomioja – VVT and Ydin-lehti	Welfare or destruction from mining? Mika Flöjt, Pekka Haavisto – Tekniikka elämää palvelemaan, Naiset rauhan puolesta and Uraaniaseet kieltoon –liike	The Challenge of extreme right. Conclusions from the discussion. Vasemmistonuoret, Attac, Tiedonantaja, Into-Kustannus	What comes after growth? Uuden talouden verkostot
CLASSROOM 13	Movement of ordinary people Kriittinen ay-verkosto, Vastavoima	In English: Climate change, resource scarcity and human security in the Arctic. Ville Lähde: Introduction t resource scarcity and it's implications to social justice; Veli-Pekka Tynkkynen: Interlinkages of energy	In English: Climate change, resource scarcity and human security in the Arctic and security politics in the Arctic; Tero Mustonen: Traditional knowledge in the Arctic; Pauliina Feodoroff: Arctic resource politics and the Sámi people – Suomen YK-liitto		Difficulties in getting the permit of residence and undocumented migration in Finland. Paperittomat –verkosto
CLASSROOM 21	Social guarantee for young people: truth or a tale? SOSTE, SAK, Vantaan kaupungin Petra Hanke	Partially able-bodied and work Vates. Kiipulan säätiö, SOSTE	Panel discussion on Palestine PAND – Artists for peace	The indigenous people of in India threatened by the mines Markus Kröger, Ville-Veikko Hirvelä – Siemenpuusäätiön Intia-ryhmä, Maan ystävät, Uusi Tuuli, Emmaus Aurinkotehdas, Katajamäki-yhteisö	The indigenous people of in India threatened by the mines Markus Kröger, Ville-Veikko Hirvelä – Siemenpuusäätiön Intia-ryhmä, Maan ystävät, Uusi Tuuli, Emmaus Aurinkotehdas, Katajamäki-yhteisö
CLASSROOM 22	Ethics of food production and theology of food Kirkon yhteiskunnallisen työn tekijät, Kirkon yhteiskunnallinen työ, Helsingin seurakuntayhtymän yhteiskunnallinen työ	HIV/AIDS in Finland Näkökulma erityisesti AIDS:n historia homoseksuaalien keskuudessa – Pinkkiruusu ja SONK	Arms trade – Vasemmistonuoret ja Sadankomitea	Children of Gaza and the future of Palestine Palestiina-foorumi, Suomen palestiinalaisten siirtokuntayhdistys	Development and peace work, women and media Naistoimittajat, Suomalaiset kansalaisjärjestöt Shiffa, Uskonnot ilman rajoja
CLASSROOM 11	Equal Finland, Equal World? Peter Kariuki, Pirkko Malkamäki, Tino Varjola, Rilli Lappalainen – Kehys, FIDIDA, Etno, Vammaisfoorumi, Romanifoorumi	Housing of disabled and elderly around Helsinki Helsingin seudun tapaturma- ja sairausinvalidien liitto	Critical culture discussion Mustarinda -seura	How does citizenship actualize in schools? Lasten hyvinvointifoorumi, HYVA, Rauhankasvatusinstituutti	How does citizenship actualize in schools? Lasten hyvinvointifoorumi, HYVA, Rauhankasvatusinstituutti
CLASSROOM 12	Climate change as political problem Vasemmistonuoret, Vihreät Nuoret ja Opiskelijat, Maan ystävät	As an expert in one’s own affairs Suojapirtti	Food and power From Global Injustice to Sustainability, Luomu-liitto, Maattomien ystävät ja Attac	In English: Campaigning and advocacy work in a globalized world NGO-workshop focusing on the ways in which civil society can work on interconnected global issues that have different global manifestations. – UN Association of Finland	Campaigning and advocacy work in a globalized world NGO-workshop focusing on the ways in which civil society can work on interconnected global issues that have different global manifestations. – UN Association of Finland
CLASSROOM 33	Non-violence in different religions Suomen kristillinen rauhanliike, Kaupunki yhteisönä, Religions for Peace, Suomen naisverkosto	Global solidarity and gender/ position of women Namrata Bali – Solidaarisuus, TSL, Demarinaiset	Immigrant youth behind statistics Suomen pakolaisapu, Avoim Mava, R3 maahanmuuttajanuorten tuki	Possibilities of time policy Stadin aikapankki, Aika parantaa –verkosto, Commons.fi and Solidaarisuustalousverkosto	”It’s dark in the neighbour” – discussion on todays civil activism Kalliolan Setlementti and Sininauhaliitto
CLASSROOM 35	Empathy in civil activism Elisa Aaltola, Itä-Suomen yliopisto; Sami Keto, Oikeutta eläimille	Social entrepreneurship – a threat or a possibility? SY Y ry	In English: From inequality to a democratic and ecological economy What would be some of the desirable reforms to open pathways and solutions for a free society with ecological and democratic economy? A join session with Parecon Sverige and Parecon Finland. Anders Sandström, Antti Jauhiainen and Tuomas Salonen	Land crabbing and Finland Changemaker, Maattomien ystävät, maattomienliike.wordpress.com	Water and sanitation are a human right – the first citizens’ initiative in EU Suomen julkisen alan ammattijärjestöjen EU-yhdistys FIPSU, Maan ystävät
CLASSROOM 41	Solidarity economics, practices and mapping Solidaarisuustalousverkosto, solidaarisuustalous.fi, commons.fi, siemenpuusäätiö, Stadin aikapankki, Merkur pankki	Crisis in EU and spreading of diseases Heikki Vuorinen, Lena Hulden – DSL, Lääkärien sosiaalinen vastuu	Who decides about money and economics Antti Ronkainen, Antti Jauhiainen (Parecon), Miika Kabata (Marx-seura), Patrizio Lainà (Talousdemokratia), Simo Suominen (Kommunistinen Nuorisoliitto)	Employment of immigrants Monika-Naiset liitto	Boycott against apartheid: Case Palestine Palestiina-foorumi, ICAHD Finland
CLASSROOM 42	Welfare from Nature – forests a source for health in cities Suomen Luonnonsuojeluliiton Uudenmaan piiri	Green economics – genuine attempt of sustainable economics? Kepa, Kehitystutkimuksen seura, UniPID, Siemenpuu	Co-operatives in work and society Helsingin yhteiskunnallinen opisto, osuustoimintatutkimuksen seura Kooperatiivi, Osuuskunta kasvikunta ja Etelä-Suomen Vasemmistonuoret	From the fractures of welfare state follows a great and not a creative destruction Hyva	KEHY-KINO: Life as an asylum seeker in Finland Helsingin yliopiston kehitysyhteistyövaliokunta
CLASSROOM 43	E-waste in ethical scrutiny Anna Härri, Risto Pohjanpalo – Eettisen kaupan puolesta	Freedoms of non-religious children in daycare and schools Heta Saxell, Kaisa Robbins – Helsingin Vapaa-ajattelijat ja Helsingin Humanistiyhdistys	Cirisis of EU and Finnish families in Greece Helena-verkosto ja Helsingin seurakuntayhtymän yhteiskunnallinen työ	Cinema: Worlds safest nuclear plant Naiset Rauhan Puolesta, Naiset atomivoimaa vastaan	Cinema: Solidarity screening documentaries from Zapatista communities Three documentaries, language Spanish, subtitle English – Latinalaisen amerikan kulttuuriseksius, ProMedios, Maan voima – La fuerza de la tierra
CLASSROOM 44	Ecologidy sustainable welfare Ekologisesti kestävä hyvinvointi KomNL, Spartacus-säätiö	Uprisings and capitalism Marxilainen Työväenliitto, Sosialistiliitto	Truth comission to EU Uusi historia ja Ihmiskunnan tie – foorumi	School festival	