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July 2-3 PWAG workshops

On July 2 and 3, PeaceWomen Across the Globe workshops entitled "Feminist Futures – Politics of Possibilities" focus on envisioning feminist futures and sharing inspirational stories of already existing examples. Feminists from all regions of the world will come together to share their strategies and ideas, and to develop a vision for solidarity. The workshop is open for free to the public, the registration link is:

https://lingnan.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cNEV2y6XQTKct63m9Ow6tA



Dialogues and Lectures

Ten dialogues of the 8th South South Forum on Sustainability (SSFS8) were completed on June 30. From July 4 onwards, there will be Lectures each day by an eminent speaker, with the moderator entering into dialogue with the speaker. The themes of the lectures will include:

Ecology:

July 4: Lu Chensheng: The loss of biodiversity – an insect's perspective July 5: Tian Song: Garbage: the dark side of industrial civilization July 6: John Bellamy Foster: Ecology, socialism and the future of history

Politics/Economy:

July 7; David Kotz: The demise of the soviet system: lessons for today in a time of economic, environmental and public health crises

July 8: Patrick Bond: Africans uprising against resurgent "Africa Rising" authoritarian neoliberalism

July 9: Firoze Manji: Africa and the politics of hope, love and rebellion

July 10: Havin Guneser: The Kurdish freedom movement and hope in times of global capitalism

July 11: Lu Qiyuan: Tax reform - a bloodless revolution

Culture:

July 12: Walter Mignolo: Resurgence/Re-existence: the power and beauty of the sovereign people

July 13: Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak: What is it to hope?

July 14: Melanie Budianta: Cultural granaries for a liveable kampung: negotiation and resilience in Indonesia

July 15: Paul Bove: The politics of hope and love

July 17: Vandana Shiva: Seeds of hope: people's resilience, resistance, regeneration in times of public health and climate disasters

Closing lecture

July 19: David Harvey: The "double consciousness" of capital (with interaction with Michael Hudson and Wen Tiejun)

There will be two more dialogues on July 16 and 18: July 16: Youth, affect and utopia July 18: Bien vivir and people's processes for hope

For the above, registration is at:

https://lingnan.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Sr5sQsN1TVK4fgd3VpD9JA The same link, sent by "Global U", will be used for all dialogues and lectures.

Open access books:

On the occasion of SSFS8, the following books are launched and available for free downloads:

Zapatista Visions, Voices and Practices (Spanish and English editions): https://our-global-u.org/oguorg/en/ssfs8-readings/).

Wen Tiejun: *Ten Crises: The Political Economy of China's Development (1949-2020)* Global U and Palgrave Macmillan websites: <u>https://our-global-u.org/oguorg/en/ssfs8-</u> <u>readings/</u> and <u>https://www.palgrave.com/gp/book/9789811604546</u> Printed copies can be purchased from Palgrave Macmillan.

All videoed recordings of the forum are posted on <u>https://our-global-u.org/oguorg/en/ssfs8-</u> forum-recordings/ You can also find beautiful posters, programme, panelists, and readings at <u>https://our-global-u.org/oguorg/en/the-8th-south-forum-on-sustainability/</u>

Simultaneous interpreting into English, Spanish and Chinese is provided for all sessions. For recordings of the first seven South South Forums on Sustainability, please visit: https://our-global-u.org/oguorg/en/ https://commons.ln.edu.hk/southsouthforum/

To visit "Global U" account on weixin (in Chinese), please go to <u>https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/PS3YXeT6luHkmAYtb1EwIA</u>

A registration fee is required for SSFS8 dialogues and lectures, but volunteers are welcome and registration fees are waived. Volunteers are to contribute to making summaries of lectures, translating from/into their national or local languages, working on subtitles, etc. We thank quite a number of professors, postgraduates and undergraduates with their contribution as volunteers, so please do not hesitate to join the volunteer team, register as "Volunteers", and email your profile to the following:

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