

WHAT IS THE WORLD PETROLEUM CONGRESS?

The World Petroleum Congress is the global showcase of "the powerbrokers and potentates from the world's biggest industry". Over 3000 delegates from over 80 countries are expected to be at the 16th Congress in Calgary. Oil industry executives, technical specialists, government representatives and international media are gathering under the theme of "Petroleum for Global Development: Networking people, business and technology to create value." All over the world, people and the environment are suffering from their creation of 'value'. The WPC meets every three years. The 53 member countries account for 89% of global oil production and 85% of global oil consumption. This Congress will not be business as usual. Join us in Calgary to create a people's agenda for real development:

- a) Multinational oil corporations are involved in human rights abuses, especially against indigenous peoples around the world.
- b) Climate change is real. Deforestation and global environmental degradation are real. These are unavoidable consequences of oil production and consumption.
- c) There are alternatives. Oil dependence for energy is not necessary. Corporations and governments have created this situation and the WPC is where they do it.

R E G I S T R A T I O N

REGISTRATION FEES

We want everyone interested in the teach-in to be able to attend, which is why we have tried to keep the registration fees low. To attend both days the fees are:

\$15 regular admission
\$10 low income

Your registration fees will help to bring in speakers from around the world. We thank-you in advance for your contribution. Please note that no one will be turned away for financial reasons.

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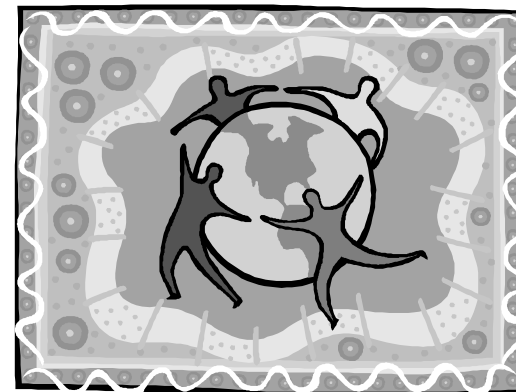
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SEE YOU THERE!

WIDENING PEOPLE'S CHOICES FOR A JUST & SUSTAINABLE FUTURE



**Alternatives Teach-in
June 9 & 10, 2000
Calgary, Alberta
University of Calgary
Science Theatres 148**

WHY HOLD A TEACH-IN?

The objective of this Teach-In is to use the opportunity of the 2000 World Petroleum Congress (WPC) (Calgary, Alberta, Canada June 11-15) to expose the atrocities caused by the petroleum industry globally and to discuss alternatives to the oil paradigm. This will be a venue for people to learn about and discuss the reasons for abandoning the oil paradigm, ways in which we can do so, and what a just and sustainable future will look like. It will also be an opportunity to organize and build community in Alberta and beyond.

BE PART OF A NEW GLOBAL MOVEMENT

For the first time local, national and international organizations will gather to educate, inform, and mobilize citizens to take on the global oil industry. The conference will dispel common myths about the need for oil and present the most up to date information on alternatives and choices. Participants will become part of a global movement that is challenging the oil industry and creating a brighter future.



SPEAKERS

INCLUDE:

Elizabeth May - Sierra Club of Canada
Gawain Kripke - Friends of the Earth(US)
Oronto Douglas - Nigeria
Chief Bernard Ominiyak - Lubicon
Owens Wiwa -
Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People
Brian Staszewski -
Environmental Resource Centre
Steven Guilbeault - Greenpeace Canada
Randy Hayes - Rainforest Action Network (US)
Paul Horsman - Greenpeace International
Irene Novaczek - Earth Action PEI
Loretta Gerlach - Council of Canadians
Jorg Ostrowski - Calgary Solar House
Myles Kitagawa - Toxics Watch Society
Thom Marr-Lang -
Pembina Institute for Appropriate Development
Colin Soskolne - University of Alberta
Danny Kennedy - Project Underground
Amit Srivastava -
Transnational Resource Action Centre
And Others!



TEACH-IN FORMAT

The teach-in runs the evening of Friday June 9th and all day Saturday June 10th. Speakers will be divided into 3 themes:

The Oil Paradigm

Exposing the human rights and environmental atrocities caused by the oil industry

The End of Oil

Making the necessary transition to appropriate and sustainable energy sources

Creating a Just

and Sustainable Future

Building the fundamental global changes necessary for a participatory and equitable future.

Evenings—discussion and workshops



THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Groups supporting the teach-in include: Friends of the Earth, Amnesty International US, Amnesty International Canada, Movement for the Survival for the Ogoni People-Canada, Project Underground, Rainforest Action Network, Sierra Youth Coalition, Sierra Club of Canada, Council of Canadians, Ozone Action-US, the Ruckus Society, Greenpeace-Canada, Parkland Institute, the Woodsworth Irvine Socialist Fellowship, the Edmonton Raging Grannies, Environmental Resource Centre, and local environmental, social justice and indigenous groups.