



Morning Star

SURVIVING CAPITALISM'S CRISIS

*The Morning Star is
to host an exciting
national conference on*

Saturday, 20th June, 2009

at the TUC Conference Hall, Congress House,
23-28 Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3LS

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There will be morning and afternoon plenary sessions, with questions and answers and debate. Plenary speakers include **Bill Benfield** (Morning Star Editor); **Jenny Clegg**, Senior Lecturer (University of Central Lancashire), author of *China's Global Strategy*; **Jeremy Corbyn** MP; **Megan Dobney**, (SERTUC Regional Secretary); **Maria Exall** (CWU Executive Committee – personal capacity); **Rob Griffiths** (General Secretary, CPB); **Lenia Lopez** (Cuban Institute of Friendship) and **John McDonnell** MP.

A wide range of workshops will be hosted by guest organisations:

- ★ **Trades Unions and the Global Fight back** Unite the Union, Institute for Employment Rights and the United Campaign to Repeal the Anti-Trade Union Laws. Speakers: **Tony Burke**, Unite Assistant General Secretary; **Carolyn Jones**, IER Director; **John Usher**, Director of the United Campaign.
- ★ **Women and the Crisis in Capitalism** Charter for Women. Speakers: Professor **Mary Davis**; **Sharon Allen**, Charter for Women Steering Group Secretary.
- ★ **The Challenges and Agenda for LGBT Communities** SERTUC LGBT. Speakers: **Tamsin Piper**, co-chair, SERTUC LGBT Committee and **Denis Fernando**, Lesbian and Gay Coalition Against Racism/UAF

- ★ **Welfare for the Rich, Workfare for the Poor** Labour Representation Committee. Speaker: **John McDonnell**
- ★ **The Cost of War** CND and Stop the War Coalition.
Speakers: **Kate Hudson**, CND Chair, and **Andrew Murray**, Chair, StWC
- ★ **Public Housing or Private Misery** Defend Council Housing.
Speaker: **Eileen Short**, DCH National Committee member and lead in Tower Hamlets Against Transfer of Council Housing – THATCH
- ★ **The Green New Deal and Beyond** Green Left.
Speaker: **Sean Thompson**, Political Education Officer – London Federation of Green Parties; leading member of Green Left, the ecosocialist caucus in the Green Party
- ★ **Counter-terrorism and Civil Liberties: new developments in the new McCarthyism** Campaign Against Criminalising Communities.
Speakers: **Anne Gray** and **Les Lewidow**, CAMPACC activists
- ★ **Latin American Alternatives to Capitalism's Crisis; Bolivia, Cuba, Venezuela** Bolivia Information Forum, Cuba Solidarity and Venezuela Information Centre.
Speakers: **Henry Suarez**, First Secretary of the Embassy of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela; **Lenia Lopez**, Instituto Cubano de Amistad
- ★ **Sicko: the NHS and the Capitalist Crisis** Health Emergency.
Speaker: **Kevin O' Brien**, Branch Secretary – Unison – Epsom St. Helier.
- ★ **Youth in the Recession: Coping with their Crisis, taking back our Future** TUC Young Members' Forum. Speaker: **Noel Hatch**, Compass Youth

Free refreshments provided (including sandwich lunch).

Solidarity stalls available at £50 (negotiable) – book early to avoid disappointment.

REGISTRATION 9.30-10a.m. BOOK YOUR PLACE – £10 A HEAD (£5 UNWAGED).

Cheques should be made out to PPS and sent to:

The Secretary (Conference), William Rust House, 52 Beachy Road, London E3 2NS.

Tel: 020 8510 0815.

I wish to book a place at the Morning Star conference/book a stall for _____

Cheque enclosed for £ _____ (name of organisation)

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

The conference is supported by the following organisations:

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| Unite the Union | The Greater London Association of Trades Councils | OH Parsons Solicitors |
| ASLEF | The Indian Workers Association (GB) | The Prison Officers' Association |
| The Association of Indian Communists - GB (Marxist) | The Institute of Employment Rights | The Stop the War Coalition |
| The Campaign Against Criminalising Communities | The Labour Representation Committee | Thompsons Solicitors |
| The CPB | Lambeth Trades Union Council | The United Campaign to Repeal the Anti Trade Union Laws |
| Croydon TUC | SERTUC | The Venezuela Information Centre |
| The Cuba Solidarity Campaign | The National Assembly of Women | The Workers Music Association |
| Health Emergency | | The Fire Brigades Union |