

Letter to the organisations present at the NPA (France) founding congress

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Dear comrades,

We would like, first of all, to thank you once again for your participation in the NPA's congress : 70 organisations from 45 countries were present.

We took a commitment during the meeting of the organisations which had been invited to the NPA's congress, we are sending you this letter in order to confirm our proposals.

As has been discussed during this meeting, the global crisis which the capitalist system is going through is going to set the parameters for world politics for the coming months. This crisis is going to change the world social and political landscape. The balances of forces between the classes are going to change, as are the relationships between states. The situation of the working class movement and of the left is also going to go through upheavals. The need for an alternative to the traditional left parties is going to be felt more and more keenly among the popular classes. The answers to the capitalist crisis will be a decisive test for every tendency and organisation.

In this context, anticapitalist tendencies, organisations, parties have new responsibilities, in mobilisations, in struggles, in responding to the crisis.

We think this puts on the agenda a discussion on the possibilities for common action and common debate. Everywhere, the yearning for a gathering together of anti-imperialists and anticapitalists is manifest : in Latin America, in Europe, in Asia, just as in the Mediterranean Basin and in Africa. But also on a world scale, for we all want to have exchanges, to understand et to act together beyond our regional borders.

Common actions, in order to resist the bosses' and governments' attacks against workers and peoples, in order to show our solidarity with the Palestinian people, in order to take part in the unity protests proposed by the World Social Forum at the end of March or in the demonstrations against the 60th anniversary of NATO on April 4. Exchanges of experiences in order to learn from one another in the international struggle against the capitalist system. And, finally, multiplying debates, meetings between organisations in order to discuss and verify existing political convergences.

As we have made clear, this is not about decreeing a new International, but we do think that the new situation demands even “more internationalism”, in order to build new networks, new links between organisations, with new international groupings as a perspective.

In this spirit, we will be sending to all organisations who wish it those email addresses of other organisations which are available to us (an already long yet not comprehensive list), or, if this is preferable to you, we will circulate your contributions, in order to continue in this way with the common work which has begun. Let us know.

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The list (and messages) of the organisations present and/or having sent a solidarity message to the NPA founding Congress has been published on ESSF website, for the time being on the French page: [Délégations internationales au congrès du NPA et messages de solidarité](#)

It will be published on the English page asap.