

# **Why is demonstrating in Nice against the G20 the 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011 essential ?**

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## **Flavia Verri and Gilles Pagaille - In the context of global crisis, what is at stake at the G20 meeting under French presidency?**

Eric Toussaint - The crisis is worsening, especially for the most industrialized countries. The governments of the so called “emerging” countries such as Brazil, China, India and Russia wish to gain greater hearing in international institutions like the IMF and the World Bank. The G20 is an illegitimate club created in 2008 by the G7 (equally illegitimate club made up of Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, UK and USA) to convince these emerging countries to bring their help to resolving the crisis, without success. This G20 reunion is first international reunion since the enormous success of the ‘Indignés’ movement of the 15 th October 2011. [1] Although it had little echo in France, this movement mobilized a million demonstrators all over the planet, principally in Spain, Italy and Portugal, not to forget the Occupy Wall Street movement. [2]

So this is an important event for all anti-liberal globalization activists. It is important either to demonstrate in the streets of Nice or to attend the People’s forum in Mali [3], to clamour our opposition to the policies adopted by those who claim to be the world rulers.

## **In what way has the European crisis become a global issue? What roles are the United States and the emerging countries to play?**

The very important economic slowdown that is affecting Europe, the bankruptcy of banking institutions like Dexia could have a knock on effect on the world’s economy [