

Key Campaigns for System Change

“Activism is my rent for living on the planet” Alice Walker

We urgently need to campaign for decisive action that will work. The latest report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) makes clearer than ever the need for decisive national and international action. So far UN Summits have not produced legally binding measures to prevent catastrophic climate change and further damage to the ecological system. Talks in Bonn in April 2010 failed to firm up actions to implement the 2010 Copenhagen Accord, which many smaller and poorer nations had refused to sign. Poorer nations must be properly included and outcomes must reflect their interests. Otherwise all of us will lose.

The economic crisis now overshadows everything else. Many people are confused, depressed and disempowered. We cannot allow the campaigns of vested interests, intent on denying the part humans play in climate change, to succeed. We must find solutions that will work and put even more pressure on governments and big corporations. The most promising proposals yet are a Global Carbon Tax and an initiative to establish Ecocide as the Fifth UN Crime against Peace.

7bn people have the power to bring about radical change.

It's up to us to demand a great transition to a sustainable, just and non-violent economic system.

My top priorities are

Avaaz.org, 350.org, 38 degrees, Eradicating Ecocide, James Robertson – *working for a sane alternative*, New Economics Foundation (nef), Onehundredmonths.org, Positive Money, Peace Direct, RoadPeace – ending road violence, Transition Town Network, Unlock Democracy/Local Works and World Development Movement (WDM).

Here is a longer list of campaigns. Prioritise where to put your energy and money. Focus on the issues you are most passionate about and believe will make the greatest difference. Use your browser.

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- ***A Just and Sustainable Global Economic System*** ALBA- Bolivian Alliance of the Americas, **Avaaz.org**, **350.org**, **38 degrees**, Christian Aid, Climate Justice Action Network, **Eradicating Ecocide**, Greenpeace, International Forum on Globalisation, Jubilee Debt Campaign, **New Economics Foundation (nef)**, **Onehundredmonths.org**, People First Campaign, Survival International, Stop Climate Change Chaos Coalition*, Via Campesina, **World Development Movement (WDM)**, Worldwatch Institute and Youth forum on climate change
- ***Feeding the World*** Compassion in World Farming, Christian Aid, Ethical Consumer, Food and Water Watch, Friends of the Earth, Garden Organic, GM Freeze, Oxfam, Soil Association, Vandana Shiva and World Hunger Project
- ***Global Governance*** New Economics Foundation (nef), One World Trust, SIMPOL, Tikun- Rabbi Michael Lerner, World Development Movement (WDM)

- **Greening the Global Economy** Centre for Alternative Technology (CAT), New Economics Foundation (nef), New Green Deal Coalition, Operation Noah, Stop Climate Chaos Coalition*, World Development Movement (WDM), World Watch Institute
- **New Money, Debt, Citizens Income, Fair and Sustainable Taxation, Land Value Tax** American Monetary Institute, Christian Council for Monetary Justice, **James Robertson** – *working for a sane alternative*, Land Value Taxation Campaign, **Positive Money**, Scottish Monetary Reform, Tax Justice Network, Tobin Tax Institute, WDM
- **Peace - Ending War and Violence** CND, Campaign Against the Arms Trade, Oxford Research Group, **Peace Direct**, Peace Pledge Union, Peace Tax Seven, Responding to Conflict (RTC), Rethink Trident coalition, **RoadPeace – ending road violence**
- **Sustainable buildings, cities, communities and transport.** Bioregional, Campaign for Better Transport, Centre For Alternative Technology (CAT), Coalition of Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE), Keep Trade Local/Federation of Small Businesses Campaign, The Institute of Science in Society, New Economics Foundation (nef), Slow Cities, Sustrans and **Transition Town Network**
- **Unlocking Democracy** Amnesty International, Electoral Reform Society, Liberty, openDemocracy, Operation Black Vote, **Unlock Democracy/Local Works.**

* **Stop Climate Chaos** is a coalition of more than 100 organisations and their 11 million supporters, working together for positive action.