

Symposium Invitation

Date: 5 December 2022

12:00-14:00 Eastern Standard Time (North America)
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18:00-20:00 CEST



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CORPORATE POWER – THEN AND NOW

SIGNIFICANCE OF PRESIDENT ALLENDE'S HISTORIC 1972 SPEECH

This symposium Corporate Power – Then and Now: Significance of President Allende's historic 1972 Speech is being held to mark the 50th anniversary of the late President Salvador Allende's Speech at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA). His historic speech anticipates the rise of the Transnational Corporation and its emerging role in terms of economic and political power – a role of unaccountable corporate power which has achieved hegemony in how our society functions today.

PART 1

Corporate Power, the Law of the Market & neoliberal globalisation

This will focus on the rise of the Transnational Corporation and how it accumulated its enormous power up to the period of the establishment of the UN Centre for Transnational Corporations.

PANELISTS INCLUDE

Dr. Shahd Hammouri - University of Kent.

Dr. Gamze Erdem Türkelli - University of Antwerp.

Tauriq Jenkins - University of Cape Town.

Bobby Ramakant - CNS, India.

Harris Gleckman Director of Benchmark Environmental Consulting.

Francisca Pancha Rodriguez, Anamuri/LVC Chile.

Erika Mendes, JA! Mozambique.

Gonzalo Berron, Transnational Institute, Brazil.

Mr. Baba Aye, Public Services International (PSI).

PART 2

Building Law from Below – Perspectives on the global governance we want

This will focus the main initiatives aiming to establish binding regulation of TNCs – including the ongoing Open Ended Inter-governmental Work Group mandated at the UNHRC in 2014 to develop a legally binding instrument on TNCs with respect to human rights.

It will also discuss the current phenomenon of corporate Multistakeholderism and how this functions in relation to Global Governance and its threat to democracy and the Multilateralism of the UN itself.

International Law and human rights experts as well as social movement analysts will present their perspectives and proposals for the global governance we want – including in the engagement with the 2023-2024 process of a Summit of the Future proposed by the current UNSG, Antonio Guterres.

MODERATION

Wesam Ahmad

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