

Latin America and the ecosocialist alternative

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Socialist Resistance & GREEN LEFT

with
Hugo Blanco

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National Tour

Green Left and Socialist Resistance are organising a national tour of Britain with Hugo Blanco during September and October 2010.

Hugo Blanco is a historic leader of the Peruvian peasant movement who has been politically active since the 1950s. In the 1960s he played a central part in the 'Land or Death' peasant uprising in the southern highlands of Peru. He was captured, and sentenced to 25 years.

He wrote the book "Land or Death: the peasant struggle in Peru" during this, one of his many periods in prison. In 1976 he was released and deported to Sweden. On returning to Peru in 1978, he was elected to parliament. He was a member of the Peruvian Senate until 1992, when he was forced to seek political asylum in Mexico following Alberto Fujimori's "self-coup".

Hugo Blanco has been at the forefront of a huge struggle in the Peruvian Amazon, where the government has sold off the rain forests to the oil corporations and the indigenous people are resisting the devastation that brings. He is working around the newspaper "Lucha Indigena" (Indigenous Struggle).

The struggle in Latin America today is an international beacon of hope for all socialists including ecosocialists.

The people's summit in Cochabamba, Bolivia in 2010 showed an alternative to the total failure of the world's governments – especially those of the US and the European Union – to meet the challenge of climate change.

In a world where profit is the motor force rather than human need, it has been an inspiration that social movements in Latin America have won important victories.

Indigenous peoples have been key to the strength and success of those movements. Hugo argues that indigenous peoples across the planet are in the forefront of fighting climate change and conserving the global environment.

This is true of those struggling to preserve the lungs of the world in the Amazon, to defend the rainforests in Borneo or against the uranium mine in the Grand Canyon.

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A Seminar

Saturday September 18th

University of London Union,

Malet Street, London WC1. Nearest tube Goodge Street

Doors open (registration) 10.00

Seminar – 11.00 until 5.30.

Speakers to include: Hugo Blanco, Caroline Lucas MP (invited), Diana Raby, Derek Wall, Stuart Piper, Grace Livingstone, Amanda Latimer. Plus more speakers to be confirmed.

Workshops:

- The struggle of indigenous peoples
- The significance of Cochabamba
- Food sovereignty
- Water resources in Latin America
- The struggle of Latin American migrants
- Women's struggles in Latin America
- Marxism, ecology and Latin America
- Latin America — the politics of oil

Entrance: In advance £12.00 (£4.00 unwaged). At the door £15.00 (£6.00 unwaged). Send a cheque made out to Lucha Indigena to **PO Box 62732, London SW2 9GQ**. (Registration form back page).

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