RESOURCES

JOIN THE DEBATE: WATERJUSTICE,ORG

The website waterjustice.org is both a virtual resource centre and an open space to connect people from around the world dedicated to effective, democratic and equitable water solutions, including community activists, NGO campaigners, academic researchers, trade unionists and water utility managers. The success of the website will depend primarily on the active participation of these diverse groups. The site has a content management system which allows you to upload contributions (from articles, report and case studies to calls for action and campaign news) and a discussion forum on the issues covered in this book. We warmly invite you to get involved!

SUBSCRIBE TO THE WATER JUSTICE LISTSERVE

Transnational Institute (TNI) manages the [waterjustice] email listserve, aimed to facilitate information exchange and strategy debate among activists from around the world campaigning for people-centred alternatives to water privatisation. For more information, contact satoko@tni.org

SOME RECOMMENDED WEBSITES

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The Coalition of the Flemish North South Movement in Belgium. www.11.be (in Flemish and English)

ASSOCIATION POUR LE CONTRAT MONDIAL DE L'EAU (ACME)

ACME campaigns against privatisation and for the human right to water. www.acme-eau.com (in French)

ANTI-PRIVATISATION FORUM

Campaigns against water and electricity privatisation in South Africa. www.apf.org.za

ASSEMAE

(ASSOCIAÇÃO NACIONAL DOS SERVIÇOS MUNICIPAIS DE SANEAMENTO)

Progressive federation of public water utilities in Brazil. www.assemae.org.br

BLUE PLANET PROJECT

Website on the "Treaty Initiative to Share and Protect the Global Water Commons" and related activities, hosted by the Council of Canadians. www.blueplanetproject.net/english/resources

BREAD FOR THE WORLD

www.brot-fuer-die-welt.de (in German)

CENSAT AGUA VIVA (FRIENDS OF THE EARTH COLOMBIA)

www.censat.org/Index_Ingles.htm

CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC ADVOCACY (CEPA)

CEPA (Friends of the Earth Slovakia) defends the public interest in the transformation and reform of the Slovak water sector. www.cepa.sk/ekon/en_index.stm

INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM OF INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISTS (ICIJ)

Excellent collection of articles on the impacts of privatisation in cities around the world (also published as a book titled "The Water Barons") www.icij.org/water

CITIZENS NETWORK ON ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Helping citizens attain universal water, healthcare, education and electricity services. www.servicesforall.org

CORPORATE EUROPE OBSERVATORY (CEO)

Info briefs on the European Union's push for water privatisation. www.corporateeurope.org/water/infobriefs.htm

COUNCIL OF CANADIANS

Campaigns to ban the bulk export of water and head off commodification and privatisation.

www.canadians.org

DMAE

Municipal department of water and sanitation, Porto Alegre, Brazil. www.dmae.rs.gov.br (also in English)

EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE UNIONS

www.epsu.org

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH INTERNATIONAL (FOEI)

Federation of autonomous environmental organizations from 68 countries. www.foei.org/water/index.html

GATSWATCH

GATSwatch brings together the growing body of NGO and academic critique of the WTO services agreement and ongoing liberalisation talks.

www.gatswatch.org

JUBILEE SOUTH

A network of jubilee and debt campaigns, social movements, people's organizations, communities, NGOs and political formations. www.jubileesouth.org

MAMA-86

Ukrainian Environmental NGO campaigning for water for all. www.mama-86.org.ua (also in English)

PHILIPPINE WATER VIGILANCE NETWORK / BANTAY TUBIG

Bantay Tubig is a citizens' coalition for adequate, accessible and affordable water in the Philippines.

www.ipd.ph/Bantay%20Tubig/web-content/b2big_main.html

POLARIS INSTITUTE

Canadian institute campaigning against GATS and for public services. www.polarisinstitute.org

PRIVATISIERUNGSWAHN

Analysis and campaign news on privatisation in Germany. www.privatisierungswahn.de (in German)

PUBLIC CITIZEN

Campaigning to keep water as a public trust. www.citizen.org/cmep/water

Public Services International (PSI)

The international trade union federation of public sector workers, involving more than 600 trade unions in over 140 countries. www.world-psi.org

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PUBLIC SERVICES INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH UNIT

For a wealth of research on water privatisation and public water, go to: www.psiru.org/reportsindex.asp

REDES

Friends of the Earth Uruguay. www.redes.org.uy

SAGUAPAC

Website of the water co-operative of Santa Cruz, Bolivia. www.saguapac.com.bo (In Spanish)

SEMAPA

Website of the water utility of Cochabamba, Bolivia. www.semapa.com.bo (In Spanish)

TRANSNATIONAL INSTITUTE (TNI)

For more on TNI's Water Justice project, see: www.tni.org/water-docs/water.htm

WORLD DEVELOPMENT MOVEMENT (WDM)

The UK-based WDM campaigns to tackle the root causes of poverty. www.wdm.org.uk

ABOUT TNI AND CEO

Corporate Europe Observatory (CEO) is an Amsterdam-based research and campaign group targeting the threats to democracy, equity, social justice and the environment posed by the economic and political power of corporations and their lobby groups.

http://www.corporateeurope.org/

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COVER PHOTOS:

Main photo:

As the privatised utility fails to ensure promised water connections, residents of this Manila suburb have to rely on old hand well. Photo by Rod Harbinson, www.diversityphotos.com

Photos at the top:

Anti-privatisation demonstration in Uruguay (October 2004)

Water activists walk out of the World Water Forum (Kyoto, March 2003).

Consumers march to Mendiola, Manila, denouncing a water rate hike both by Maynilad and Manila Water (November 2004). Photo by Freedom from Debt Coalition.

Photos at the bottom:

MAMA-86 certifies a water well in the Ukrainian city of Nizhyn.

Participatory decision-making on water services in progress at neighbourhood meeting in Recife, Brazil.

Water pipe construction works in Porto Alegre, Brazil.