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IFG PRESS CONFERENCE

ALTERNATIVES TO GLOBALIZATION AND THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

Tuesday, September 9th

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

The Caribbean Princess Hotel

Galeon D9-5 KM 3.5, Zona Hotelera

Prominent corporate globalization critics and leaders of civil society movements from around the world will discuss the main arguments against the WTO, the key issues being negotiated at the Ministerial, review what to expect from citizen groups represented in Cancun, and discuss alternatives to the WTO and globalization that are more equitable, democratic, and protect people and the natural world.

This press conference is co-hosted by IFG and Gedisa Editorial—publishers of the Spanish language edition of *Alternatives to Economic Globalization: A Better World Is Possible*, available for the first time in Spanish in Cancun. Speakers will include authors of this new book, a consensus document (rather than a series of essays), written by 19 of the world's leading globalization critics. The book articulates a policy framework for bringing about meaningful alternatives to the globalization model. It is a bold answer to critics who assert that the anti-corporate globalization movement does not have alternative proposals.

Current presenters include: Martin Khor—Third World Network Malaysia; Vandana Shiva—Research Foundation for Science, Technology & Ecology, India; Maude Barlow—Council of Canadians, Canada; Dr. Caroline Lucas—Member of the European Parliament, E.U.; John Cavanagh—Institute for Policy Studies, U.S.; Jerry Mander—International Forum on Globalization, U.S.; Lori Wallach—Public Citizen, U.S.; and Sarah Larrain—Chile Sustentable, Santiago, Chile.

IFG PUBLIC FORUM

ALTERNATIVES TO GLOBALIZATION AND THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

Tuesday, September 9th

10:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Teatro de Cancun

Blvd. Kukulcan KM 4; Zona Hotelera

This IFG forum will be a critical kick-off event. It will include leading academics, writers, economists, researchers, some members of governments and others providing critiques of and alternatives to the WTO. The purpose is to promote useful dialogues about how trade and investment policies affect people and the planet. Many of our speakers are serving or have served as advisors to national governments and international institutions such as the United Nations and the WTO itself. They are well known worldwide among diverse constituencies including governments, policymakers, international institutions, the media, NGOs, and grass-roots groups.

A partial list of speakers includes: Martin Khor—Third World Network, Malaysia; Vandana Shiva—Research Foundation for Science, Technology & Ecology, India; Tony Clarke—Polaris Institute, Canada; Victoria Tauli-Corpuz—Indigenous Peoples’ International Centre for Policy Research & Education, the Philippines; John Cavanagh—Institute for Policy Studies, U.S.; Sara Larrain—Chile Sustentable, Chile; Jerry Mander—International Forum on Globalization, U.S.; Walden Bello—Focus on the Global South, Thailand; Alberto Gomez—UNORCA, Mexico; Maude Barlow—Council of Canadians, Canada; Lori Wallach—Public Citizen-Global Trade Watch, U.S.; Agnes Bertrand—ECOROPA, France. ▲