## Agenda - Seminar

## Europe and its trade policies at the heart of the global crisis.

Analysis and perspectives for our organisations and social movements

## Paris, 5th and 6th of October, 2012

Venue: AGECA, 177 rue de Charonne, 75011 Paris

Please note, it will be organised in 2 different times : Friday 5th of October (9h-19h)→ Seminar Saturday 6th of October (9h30-13h) → Strategy meeting

	Friday, 5th of October (9h-19h)
9h-9h30	<b>Welcome</b> - Introduction of the participants, presentation and approval of the agenda - <i>Aitec</i>
9h30- 11h45	<ul> <li>Plenary Session: Overview on EU trade strategy and key issues for civil society</li> <li>Introductory discussion on geopolitical context: EU strategy more and more aggressive in the face of global crisis. Which strategy to fight economic crisis and neoliberal policies which are putting pressure on working conditions, wages and social protections worldwide?- John Hilary (War on Want, England) 20'</li> <li>State of play of EU trade and investment negotiations (overview of multilateral and bilateral agreements, and new North/North agreements), Marc Maes (11.11.11, Belgium) 15'</li> <li>They are 20, we are billions: Multinationals will not make the law! (EU pinvestment policies as direct threatto our democratic rights) – Peter Fuchs (PowerSchift, Germany) 15'</li> <li>Links between our analysis and local struggles  → New threats of FTA with Agadir agreement's countries – Ghazi Hidouci (Aitec) 15'  → Campaign against EU-ASEAN FTA and Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) - Jacques-Chai Chomthongdi (Focus on the Global South, Thailand) 15'</li> <li>Discussion in plenary</li> </ul>
11h45-12h	Coffee break
12h-13h	Presentation of key issues in the afternoon: Objectives of working groups, presentation of political dynamics and key actors
13h- 14h30	Lunch
14h30- 16h	Workshops on following issues :

**Workshop 1: Europe and financial deregulation** Facilitation: Myriam Vander Stichele (Somo, Netherlands) • Workshop 2: Europe and dismantling of social rights Facilitation: John Hilary (War on Want, England) • Workshop 3: Europe and food sovereignty (agriculture policies, land grab, and CAP reform) Facilitation: Aurélie Trouvé (Attac, France) and Laurent Levard (Gret) • Workshop 4 : Europe, investment and extractivism Facilitation: Ronack Monabay (Les Amis de la Terre, France) • Workshop 5 : Europe and intellectual property rights against freedom Facilitation: Gaëlle Krikorian, (Researcher and adviser of the Greens in the EP on issues of intellectual property and access to knowledge) 16h15-Plenary session – When people say NO to the markets and corporate EU policies : 18h45 Brief reports of the results of the 5 working groups: Key issues and dates? Which challenges and alliances? Common dynamics between different issues? Global analysis and strategies of our movements to fight EU free trade agenda – Amélie Canonne (Aitec)- 15' • Discussion in plenary - 60' • Conclusive discussion (key dates and perspective for common action)- Alaa Talbi (Forum tunisien pour les droits économiques et sociaux, Tunisia); Fanny Simon and Hélène Cabioc'h (Aitec, France)- 30'

Saturday 6th of October (9h30-13h)		
9h30-10h	<b>Welcome</b> - Introduction of the participants, presentation and approval of the <i>agenda - Aitec</i>	
10h-13h	Strategy meeting:	
	<ul> <li>→ Strategy meeting opens to all of those who want to be involved in this dynamic.</li> <li>→ Deepening of some issues, identification of key struggles and work plans for the next months.</li> </ul>	