

*The energy and climate-change crisis stands as a unique social and ecological challenge. Those least responsible for climate change are the worst affected by it...*

(Vandana Shiva, Indian Activist, 2008)

In December 2009 the world's leaders, NGOs, lobby groups and the media circus will be going to Copenhagen to try and secure a deal for a new climate agreement when the Kyoto Protocol expires in 2012. Thousands of social change activists, indigenous people, environmental justice movements will be going too, to add their calls for an end to business as usual, where people and our environment comes second to profit and short term gains, and to demand climate justice. But all around the world, there are thousands of projects and people working from the bottom up, creating and resisting the system that is causing climate change and building a more just and sustainable world, right here and now.

We don't believe that governments and corporations can solve the climate crisis, because they are responsible for it! We believe in doing it ourselves, using our creativity and building truly sustainable solutions from the bottom up.

So whether you are planning to go to Copenhagen or not, we hope there is something in the programme that can inspire you to take action for everyday revolutions, closer to home.

We are part of:

C Words, C Words: carbon, climate, capital, culture, How did you get here and where are we going? A major exhibition and season of 50 events in the run-up to COP 15, at leading contemporary arts centre Arnolfini, Bristol from 3.10.09 – 29.11.09, co-ordinated by PLATFORM. PLATFORM works across disciplines for social and ecological justice. It combines the transformatory power of art with the tangible goals of campaigning, the rigour of in-depth research with the vision to promote alternative futures. (<http://blog.platformlondon.org/cwords>)

This is part of a major season of events marking the Countdown to the U.N Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen (COP15). The season includes exhibitions, performance, film, debate and courses around issues of climate change, social justice and the relationship between art and activism. This season encourages everyone to come together to share projects, ideas and plans <http://www.100days.org.uk>