

THE TAYSIDE BRANCH OF THE WORLD DEVELOPMENT MOVEMENT IS HOSTING A PUBLIC MEETING IN DUNDEE AT 7:30PM ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 2ND T9 TOWER BLOCK, DUNDEE UNIVERSITY, PERTH ROAD, DUNDEE.

We've yet to MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY

SO WHERE NEXT?



A chance for change

2005 saw the UK take a big role on the world stage, chairing the G8 - the self-selecting summit of eight world leaders - and taking over the Presidency of the European Union. Campaigners seized the opportunity to build massive public pressure, using the rallying cry of 'MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY' to demand that vital action be taken on aid, trade and debt.

The high profile campaign prompted an unprecedented public response, with hundreds of thousands of people taking action.

Small steps

This has resulted in some real changes - increases in aid and debt relief, and a promise to end the harsh economic conditions attached to UK aid. But these are only small steps. The structural causes of global poverty remain firmly in place. Rich nations and institutions like the World Bank continue to push impoverished countries into liberalising their economies and privatising basic services - policies which have proved disastrous for the poorest people.

Where next?

Our challenge now is to build on the momentum created by MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY, even when the media spotlight has moved on. We need to hold our government to account for the promises made in 2005. Above all, we need to confront the powerful and change the policies that are keeping people poor.

There's still much more to do to MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY. WDM won't be going away until global injustice does. Join us - [take action for real and lasting change](#).

SPEAKERS

BENEDICT SOUTHWORTH

Benedict Southworth has been Director of the World Development Movement since September 2005. He is the former Director of Amnesty International's international Campaign Program and Greenpeace International's global climate campaign. Educated in Preston and Liverpool he has spent the last fifteen years as a campaigner and NGO manager. A political scientist by training, he was a campaigner for Friends of the Earth in the UK and played a key role in the Newbury Bypass campaign before moving to Australia. In Australia he worked as a management expert for the Community Legal Centre sector helping the sector outperform government targets and for Greenpeace Australia-Pacific as Campaigns Director. Highlights included work on the Sydney Summer 'Green' Olympics and campaigns against oil extraction and logging before moving back to the UK in 2001 to take up a position as head of Greenpeace International's global climate campaign.

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Chair of the Pan-Afrikan Taskforce for Internationalist Dialogue (PATFID); Joint Coordinator of Rendezvous of Victory (ROV), the Anti-Slavery Abolitionist Heritage Learning movement; managing director of UEquipoise, an Equal Opportunities Advocacy, Training and Educational agency; plays leading role in a wide range of networks such as the Pan-Afrikan Reparations Coalition in Europe (PARCOE), the 2007 Commemorations Cross-Community Forum, the National Assembly Against Racism (NAAR), the Black Action to Make Poverty History (BA-MPH) and the Grassroots South-North Internationalist Forum (GRASSNIF).

Admission to this event is free

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