Webinar: Trade Justice in the 21st Century: Global Perspectives

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Perspectives and priorities from Southern trade justice movements

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The global trade system is not neutral. Constructed during the second half of the 20th century, trade rules tend to support the interests of the major trading nations and corporations of that era, while the priorities of the South and the global 99% have routinely been sidelined. Today, while the system can impact us all, affecting our climate, jobs, work conditions, public services and the supply and prices of essential goods, the systematic exclusion of Southern countries from the top-table of trade decision-making has caused Southern

perspectives and interests to be sidelined. In this panel we invite eminent speakers from three continents to reflect on these challenges, presenting their perspectives on the trade system, and sharing their priorities for change.

Chaired by

Nick Dearden, *Director of Global Justice Now.*

Speakers:

Vahini Naidu, *Programme Coordinator of the South Centre's Trade and Development Programme*.

Olabisi D. Akinkugbe, *Associate Professor at the Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University*.

Gopalakrishnan Manicandan (known as Mani or Manicandan), *Trade Justice Campaigner at the Asia Pacific Office of Public Services International*.

Luciana Ghiotto, *Professor of International Political Economy at Universidad Nacional de San Martín (UNSAM), researcher at CONICET-Argentina and associate researcher with the Transnational Institute (TNI)*.

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