

G8 Deal is a Sham! **STOP**



Climate Change

**SLASH CARBON EMISSIONS;
people & planet before profit!**

**NO TO NUCLEAR; fund mass
investment in renewable energy!**

**Start a global plan to rationally
organise energy & transport!**

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"The science on global warming is now incontrovertible: the climate is changing, man is helping to make that happen, and the damage could be irreversible." -The Financial Times

The 30% increase in CO₂ in the atmosphere has resulted in a sharp rise in temperature and a doubling in the number of hurricanes. Most scientists and evidence now agree that if a "business as usual" approach is maintained the earth is a 'planet under threat'.

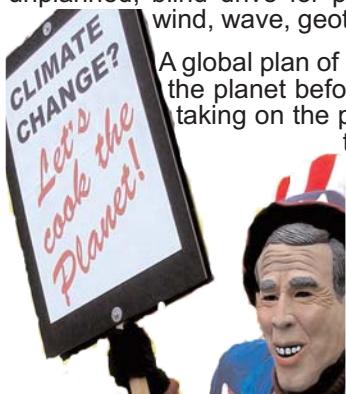
Projected temperature rises would melt the polar ice caps, raising sea levels, resulting in widespread flooding. Limerick will be permanently flooded in 50 years, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

And yet the governments of the world are still refusing to act. A sham deal on climate change by the G8 countries is being trumpeted as a major step forward. In reality, the G8 leaders have only agreed to later agree to plan targets for cuts in greenhouse emissions! All they have agreed is to discuss a new Kyoto agreement.

But the Kyoto agreement was a failure! The deal was so watered down, under pressure from big business, that scientists estimate it was only one thirtieth what is needed. Even this deal was postponed from 1992, when the first conference took place, to 2005 when it became enforceable. Still it was rejected by US big business as "too harmful to profits".

Now, the G8 claim nuclear power is a viable "alternative". In reality it is extremely expensive, potentially disastrous and produces toxic waste.

G8 leaders also talk about 'carbon markets' as a way to stop climate change. But the market system will not bring real, long-term solutions. It is based on the unplanned, blind drive for profit. Developing alternative forms of energy (like wind, wave, geothermal & solar) requires cooperation and planning.



A global plan of action is needed to put the needs of the people and the planet before the profits of the super rich elite. This will mean taking on the power of the energy multinationals. Energy production and public transport must be rationally and democratically organised by ordinary people not by 'the market' and big business.

By directing the world's resources into renewable energy and public transport, climate change could be stopped in its tracks!

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