Research

The research area aims to offer space to researchers who are also “activists” (so socially involved in the change and in water campaigning) and give them the possibility to share their knowledge with other researchers and, mainly, with the public.

Three workshops related to research projects developed by researchers working in the field of public research (Universities, Institutions, Research centers…) will focus on water issues from different points of view and approaches.

From anthropology to sciences crossing, of course, media and communication, politics and economics thirteen researchers (of different age and background) will report the results of their studies on water, and will discuss about them. We believe in the importance of sharing knowledge and experiences and in the role of research for our action.

Friday 16 March from 10am to 12.30pm, Dock des Suds D

Water education and media

There is a strong relationship between water and media: the first part of this workshop is focused on the different aspects of this relationship.

Speakers will intervene about both the negative and the positive use of media and communication technology concerning water issue: from how media mystify geopolitical issues about about water to how internet can be used to improve the sharing of knowledge and how images can be part of the process of building awareness.

On the other hand, and related to knowledge, the debate will also focus on the importance of youth education about water and on the active role of young people in the research about water issues.

Maria Ángeles Fernández Gonzalez and Jairo Marcos Perez (Spain)
Water, the geopolitical key the media don't tell about

Suzon Fuks (Water Wheel, Australia)
New internet tools to collaborate & exchange info & knowledge about water issues

Daniel Barbé Farré (Network for a New Water Culture, Spain)
Archiving landscapes: use of images to address environmental conflict awareness

Vincent Laurent (SJWP, France)
Young people and research in the field of water
Friday 16 March from 1pm to 6pm, Dock des Suds D

**Economics, politics, law, culture and social sciences: water issues and alternatives**

These two workshops cover a wide range of topics linked one to other by a couple of common issues related to the fights for water for different point of view and research approaches.

In the first part different examples of fights for water in Latin America will be presented, analyzing the context, the cultural aspects and the role of people. Two project concerning the mapping of world fights for the human right to water will be the conclusion of the first workshop.

The second workshop presents cultural and political and economical approaches to water issues related to privatization and fight against privatization. In the last part two experiences geographically distant (one in Catalonia and one in Palestine) about water problems.

**Valeria Llano Arias (University College Dublin- School of Sociology, Colombia)**
Communications strategies in environmental struggles: citizens’ agency in the water movement in Colombia and Latin America.

**Ivete Maria Caribé da Rocha (Servico de Paz e Justica - Serpaj America Latina, Brasil)**
Foreign military bases in Latin America - Domination, Land and Water degradation. Human rights violations and the sovereignty of the people

**Renata Aparecida de Souza Seidl (Université Federal Minas Gerais, Brasil)**
Language: french
Lutte pour l’eau et la terre des communautés quilombolas au Brésil. L’exemple de Minas Gerais

**Stephen Gasteyer (Michigan State University, USA)**
Power Mapping the Movement for the Right to Water

**Anna Poydenot, Riccardo Petrella (IERPE, Belgium)**
Rapport Mondial Permanent en ligne sur le Droit à l’Eau (RaMPeDrE)

**Elisabetta Cangelosi (Istituto Italiano di Scienze Umane, Italy)**
Water as a shared good in Roman World and possible relationships with current campaigns on water

**Jorgen Haiken Magdahl (FIVAS, Norway)**
From privatization to corporatization – a strategic renewal of the neoliberal policy on water services. The World Bank strategy, corporatization projects in Sub-Sahara Africa and implications for the international water justice movement

**Annelies Broekman (Network for a New Water Culture, Spain)**
Economic power and water : the Catalanian experience

**Zayneb Alshalalfeh and Susan Kopelmann (LifeSource, Palestine)**
Prepaid Water Meters in Palestine