

World Social Forum Newsletter

January 23 to 31, 2021
Virtual Planetary Edition



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WE WILL BUILD TOGETHER A WORLD SOCIAL FORUM OF ACTIONS AND STRUGGLES

NINE DAYS OF ACTIVITIES!



This will be the longest WSF from the last 20 years. It will be virtual and considering the different time zones to hold global audience panels. The Facilitating Group decided to extend the Forum period to January 23-31, 2021.

The virtual March and the Opening Panel will take place on Saturday, January 23rd on the first day of the Forum.

From the 24th to the 29th, besides the self-managed activities, the Panels corresponding to the Thematic Spaces will also take place.

On the 30th, the penultimate day of the Forum will be dedicated to convergences, assemblies and movements for action, as decided by the participating organizations and movements.

On the last day of the Virtual WSF, on the January 31, the Agora of Futures will take place.

There is a general map specifying and clarifying the daily programming of the Forum:

<https://wsf2021.net/programa-evento/>

Regarding the Thematic Spaces, each Working Group, besides the definitions of the themes, is working on the definition of the Terms of Reference and the construction of the Panels:

<https://wsf2021.net/espacios-tematicos/>

REGISTRATION FOR ACTIVITIES IS OPEN !

The platform that will generate the program of panels, workshops, performances and campaigns of the World Social Forum 2021, from 23 to 31 January, is already active on the following link : join.wsf2021.net

To participate, you must create a login on the site, confirm some data to have access to the various activities registered for the WSF Virtual from 23 to 31 January 2021 and interact with them.

Boletim do FSM Virtual:

23 a 31 de janeiro de 2021



    
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Through this account it is also possible to :

1/Register your organization or your social or collective moment,

2/Register an activity,

3/Sign up for a more lasting initiative,

At this point, pre-registration holders should also create their login for any registration.

If you have any questions, please consult the Questions and Answers (FAQ) provided by the communication team:

<https://join.wsf2021.net/node/23>

For further information, you can write to: forumvirtual@wsf2021.net

ADVANCES IN MOBILIZATION OVER THE CONTINENTS

There is already a significant participation of organizations, networks and social movements from Latin America and Europe. So the Mobilization Working Group focuses its efforts to broaden the participation of Africa, Asia and Oceania.

One of the great challenges of all the World Social Forums is global mobilization.

For this Virtual WSF, the challenge is unprecedented.

Practically, everything every aspects of the WSF will happen over the Internet, through audio and video platforms that enable instant and simultaneous communication and a larger participation.

The Mobilization Working Group is putting into practice a plan that covers the continents where more efforts of mobilization are needed through a country-by-country approach, such as Africa and Asia.

Another problem with virtual mobilization is the difficulty for large contingents - with little or no income or living in areas without technological infrastructure – to access the Internet. It is a struggle involving all sectors that want democracy in the digital society.

For those who intend to carry out activities by other means, such as community radio programs, artistic, cultural performances or video messages, they can record them and send them to the Facilitating Group of the Virtual WSF 2021 before January 20 by e-mail forumvirtual@wsf2021.net. You will have to use the title "Virtual March" and the name of the activity or uploading it in video.wsf2021.info.

Remember to register the activity in the Virtual WSF and share it.



ASSEMBLIES OF JANUARY 30

Convergences for joint actions

January 30 will be the day of the Continental, Intercontinental and World Territorial Assemblies at the most auspicious time between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. (UTC London time).

The assemblies of the 30th are coordinated jointly by at least 5 organizations already registered for the WSF. There may be more eventually.

They are self-managed activities like the other ones scheduled between January 23 and 29.

They are privileged occasions for convergence and articulated political expression among several organizations.

Given the virtual format, it is much easier to organize assemblies with participation from different parts of the world. Each participating organization must be registered. But one is enough to register the assembly on the 30th and be able to invite/mark the other partner organizations to appear on the page of the joint activity.

The Assemblies can be prepared from now on.

Each proposing group defines the theme, the discussion methodology, the digital logistics, the interpretation, the preparations, the relations with eventual preparatory activities between January 23 and 29 and the expected results or actions for 2021 which are formulated in the form of an initiative to be presented at the agora of the future.

Learn more:
<https://wsf2021.net/dia-de-asambleas/>

AGORA OF JANUARY 31

Closing activities of the Virtual WSF 2021

On January 31 (2 p.m. to 6 p.m. UTC), each Continued Initiative registered for the year 2021 will have a space in the Agora.

Throughout the Virtual WSF, those responsible for the initiatives will also be able to open a Jitsi Room (virtual platform) scheduled on the registration form, as well as on the "Mural del Ágora" page.

In the room, the group in charge will be able to dialog with interested participants. Don't forget to publish a link and time to your contact network. These dialogues may contribute to strengthen and expand the initiative, including updated data and information on the website for what will be done during the year 2021.

The Agora Facilitating Group will also maintain a virtual room for dialogues about all the initiatives and the progress of the dynamic calendar of actions scheduled for 2021.

Learn more:
<https://wsf2021.net/dia-del-agora/>

