

STRATEGY CONFERENCE



BEYOND AVIATION, TOURISM AND CAPITALISM

FOR A JUST MOBILITY FOR ALL

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CONFERENCE

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WELCOME!

Hello and welcome to you, dearest participant of the conference 'Beyond Aviation, Tourism and Capitalism – For a Just Mobility for All'!

We are very happy to welcome you in Barcelona and online as well as in Mexico City and Bangalore.

From July 3 – 6 2025, social movements and people engaged in counter-acting the negative impacts of air traffic and tourism will come together for a

cross-continental, hybrid, no-fly strategy conference. We are looking forward to four days of workshops, panels, strategic discussion groups, interactive spaces, empowerment work, cultural and recreational program and inspirational exchange with people from all over the world.

We'll have time to evaluate, discuss our strategies, and build relationships to empower, support and learn from each other in-person.

WHY THIS CONFERENCE?

Thanks to the tireless work of people across the world, we've seen rising awareness about the impact of aviation on the climate. We've also seen increasing outrage about the destruction that mass tourism brings to communities, something that is strongly connected to the growth of aviation. At the same time, flights, emissions and mass tourism are on the rise, as are fascist and climate-denying forces. We are losing the battles against climate breakdown, gentrification and expulsion in favor of a wealthy minority. Looking at this, we think it's time to gather, pause, and think. It is time to

connect different perspectives and movements, join forces and plan together what we will do in the next years. We want to prepare emotionally and strategically for the intensifying polycrisis we live in. And we want to gather inspiration and knowledge to fight and overcome it.

TOURISM AND AVIATION – WHY WE WANT TO BRING THESE TOGETHER

The aviation and tourism industries are closely linked with global capitalism, its growth imperative, unequal wealth distribution and continued exploitation. A system serving corporate interests and the luxury of a global

minority constantly undermines the basic needs and rights of the many such as food, affordable housing, or daily mobility. Instead, it drives processes such as touristification, the ever-escalating housing crisis, and land grabbing for mega-infrastructure projects and fuel extraction (including e-fuels and biofuels).

We therefore see it as absolutely necessary to build pressure for a reduction of aviation not in an isolated environment but together with people and movements that organise against those negative effects, fighting for their rights and understanding where the roots of the problem come from. Together, we can understand how our struggles are connected, how we can learn from, how we can avoid falling for false solutions that only shift the problem elsewhere, and how to support each other and become stronger together.

If we achieve this, then together we can **build a future beyond reckless consumerism and extractive capitalism - a future where joy is rooted in community and wellbeing.**

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 „THE TIMES ARE URGENT:
 LET’S SLOW DOWN“
BAYO AKOMOLAFE

ANTI-OPPRESSION AND CARE

We recognise that the fight against aviation’s climate impact is inseparable from struggles for social justice, equity, and inclusion. Historically, both the Stay Grounded organising team within Europe and the broader movement have been disproportionately white, middle-class, academic, and non-disabled. We acknowledge this reality openly and commit to actively addressing these imbalances.

We may like to think that who we are and what we look like don’t matter - after all, we are all human. But the fact is that we have been socialised, conditioned and educated in a system which profits from oppression. We would like to engage with this reality even though it might trigger difficult emotions.

Taking into account our positionality and with an understanding of what privileges that may give us, we can aspire to take responsibility for ourselves and our reactions, regulate discomfort, and keep our hearts open to unlearning.

The conference aims to create a space that is welcoming and accessible to people from diverse backgrounds and communities, especially those who have been marginalised or underrepresented in environmental and climate justice movements. This includes actively working to reduce barriers related to race, class, gender, ability, and other intersections of identity and experience.

Our anti-oppression efforts include:

- Centring and uplifting the voices and leadership of the global majority, who are Black, Indigenous, People of Colour (BIPOC), as well as working-class, disabled, queer, and other marginalized communities within the movement
- Creating accessible programming, physical spaces, and communication channels, offering interpretation and translation services, and structuring facilitation to encourage diverse participation and shared leadership
- Offering the conference subsidised or free for all participants, with options for travel bursaries and hosted accommodation for those who would otherwise be unable to attend
- Establishing supportive spaces, including BIPOC and Queer connection opportunities (see workshop “Our stories, our future”, and a BIPOC and a Queer empowerment lunch)
- Setting up a designated anti-oppression care team to navigate access, accountability and inclusion during the conference
- Embedding anti-oppression principles into the conference’s planning, facilitation, and follow-up. We acknowledge this is an ongoing process and welcome feedback to continue improving our practices and welcoming feedback

We’d love to have all participants on board in engaging with these commitments in whatever ways we can and are willing, to contribute to building a stronger, more inclusive movement for climate and social justice.

Here are some guidelines that can contribute to a caring environment:

- Let’s try to listen actively, and to not judge, assuming good intent where we can, and centring what people’s lived experiences are, holding space for respectful disagreement while acknowledging that opinions will impact us all differently based on our social locations.
- Try to not interrupt others and don’t crosstalk. This can both unsettle the speaker, and can be annoying for online participants.
- Let’s be aware of our positionality in terms of how much space we take up. If we are someone with many privileges or who tends to be very vocal and dominate conversation, we can seek balance and invest as much energy in listening as in speaking, perhaps even using our leadership by encouraging others who seem timid to share.
- Because we are all different people, we will surely be at different stages in our learning, but learning isn’t linear: with humility, we can always approach a discussion knowing that we can always learn more from others.
- We do not accept offensive and

transgressive behaviour. Sexist, racist, anti-Semitic, homophobic, transphobic, adultist, ableist or similar attacks, will not be tolerated. We ask all of us to intervene in case we experience such, or address the anti-oppression care team.

- Be aware that other people may perceive boundary violations and discrimination even if you do not see them. What we say might be well-intentioned, but it is our responsibility to treat each other with respect and recognizing that being accountable for the impact, not only the intention, of our words, keeps our space safer.
- Show your appreciation and respect, try to understand the value of other cultures and reflect on your privileges. Please be aware of how cultural appropriation, meaning using other cultural, political and religious symbols in a way that lacks reflection or awareness can be enormously impactful for people from marginalised cultural backgrounds.
- Please wear shirts. Being half naked can trigger people and we want to avoid that.

ANTI-OPPRESSION CARE TEAM

We have set up a team to support participants experiencing harms and impacts, and to provide care in situations where conflict arises. This can be both for people in Barcelona and for online participants. If something has affected you, you can contact us and ask for support, advice or a conversation. We will listen, take you seriously, and offer the support we can. We aim to support you in developing your own strategies for dealing with the situation rather than assuming we know the best approach. We offer to ensure that the affected person does not have to deal with the accused person themselves, but that someone else can do this for them.

Everything that is told to us is subject to confidentiality unless there is a serious risk of ongoing harm, in which case we will discuss with you how best to proceed. We will discuss it in an anonymised form within the awareness team (and, if necessary, the Stay Grounded office team) in order to reflect on our work and exchange ideas. We will only pass on information to third parties (e.g. protection, accused person, etc.) with the consent of the person concerned.

Our focus on the wishes of those affected does not mean that they can impose sanctions. We do not impose

penalties, but try to resolve the situation in the best possible way for those affected. This may also have consequences for the perpetrator, that will be decided with the conference organizing team.

We are not therapists nor professional mediators, and we recognise the messiness of anti-oppression work as well as the limitations in what we have capacity for as a team. We have team members with different levels of experience in anti-oppression work as well as different lived experiences of oppression. We will seek to connect you with somebody in the team who can best support you, so if you have special wishes for whom you would prefer talking to, please raise them and we will see what we can do.

We are also happy to receive general feedback after the conference. We will take the reflections into our general Stay Grounded work.

To reach the Anti-Oppression Care Team during the conference call, signal or Whatsapp to: +34 631906442

Email:
anti-oppression@stay-grounded.org

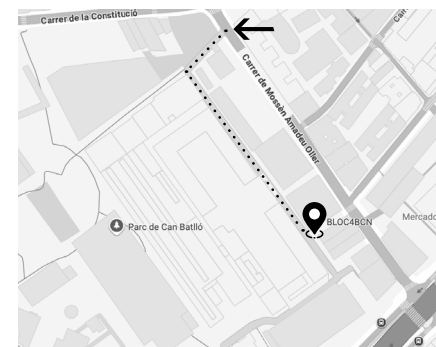
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VENUE

The Barcelona conference will take place in Bloc4 (district Sans). The venue is wheelchair accessible.

Address:

Carrer Constitució, 19
Recinte Can Batlló – Bloc 4
08014 – Barcelona



The venue is Bloc4, located in the Can Batlló area (black star on the map). It is wheelchair accessible (the door is at ground level and there is a ramp to access the 1st floor). It can be accessed from the entrance on the crossroads of Carrer Amadeu Oller with Carrer Constitució. If you are coming by private vehicle, you can drive all the way to the aforementioned corner (See red arrow in the attached image), and from there follow the green line by foot / bike / wheelchair. It is not possible to drive a car inside the precinct.

SAFER SPACE ROOM

This room will be open all the time. You can take a rest, lay down, and find some emergency products (such as pain pills, hot water bottle, sanitary products, drinks).

Please respect that people in this room might just want to be alone, not be talked to, might want to pray or meditate.

There will not always be a person from the Anti-Oppression Care Team in this room, but you can call or message us in case you need someone.

FOOD

We will be providing fully vegan, organic, gluten-free and yummy catering at the conference venue for lunch and dinner based on donations.

You can buy drinks at any time in the small café at the venue.

INTERPRETATION AND ONLINE PARTICIPATION

We will provide **English, Spanish and French** interpretation for as many sessions as possible (and Catalan for a few). In every slot, at least two workshops will be offered in a **hybrid** (allowing virtual *and* in-person participation) or **online only** (only virtual participation) format. All the panels will be hybrid, as well as two thematic groups.

ABBREVIATIONS IN THE PROGRAM

EN, translation to ES/FR: The first language mentioned is the language the **facilitator** will **speak** in, the languages mentioned after that are the ones that our **interpreters** will live interpret into via headphones. You will get a receiver and can choose the language which you want to hear by switching the channels.

Hybrid / only online / in-person settings: Workshops marked as “only online” will only take place in the virtual space. Workshops marked as “hybrid” will take place in-person AND online, meaning that the audience in Barcelona can communicate with and see the online audience during the workshop and vice versa. Participants who indicated that they will join the program online will receive Zoom links to access those hybrid and only online workshops.

HYBRID



ONLY ONLINE



IN-PERSON



LOCATION OF THE WORKSHOP



For in-person and hybrid workshops, the names of the room in Bloc 4 are indicated. You find a plan of those rooms at the info desk.

For hybrid and only online workshops: If you have registered as an online participant, **you will receive links for different Zoom rooms (called Zoom 1, Zoom 2, Zoom 3 and Zoom 4 plus Zoom 5 for the streaming of the parallel conference in Mexico).** To access the online or hybrid session, you have to click on the Zoom room indicated under the respective description in the program.

TIPS FOR SPEAKING WHEN THERE IS INTERPRETATION

1. Speak slowly and clearly: especially with more complex topics, it can be helpful to adjust the pace of speech.
2. Use short sentences: long, convoluted sentences are more difficult to translate.

3. Avoid slang and idioms: slang expressions and idioms can be difficult to translate. If possible, these should be avoided or paraphrased.
4. Use clear and precise terms: clarity in the choice of words helps the translation to grasp the meaning correctly.
5. Pause: take a short pause after every important statement or question to give the translation time.
6. Avoid repetition (if not necessary): limit yourself to the essentials.

By keeping these points in mind, interpretation will be more smooth and effective, making the conversation more understandable and enjoyable for everyone involved.

CONFERENCE FORMATS

THEMATIC GROUPS

At the heart of our conference, we'll have the thematic groups, which create space for in depth discussion on four focus topics. The thematic groups will take place on Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning and present their outcomes in the closing session of the conference on Sunday at noon. The goal of the thematic groups is to deep dive into where we are standing right now with our work and where we need to go; what's happening at the moment; what actions activities or positions are important for our work in the coming years; what we need to change and how we can build strong alliances and trust among our movements.

The thematic groups on "Aviation, Tourism and Housing" and "Red Lines for Airports" will both be available for hybrid participation and with interpretation into English, Spanish and French. The thematic groups on "Grounded Imaginaries" and "Movement Skills for the Crisis" will have Spanish/English interpretation (and French if needed) but will not be available for hybrid participation due to logistical reasons.

If you are joining a thematic group, please try to join all three session, as they are building on each other. It will also be helpful if you can read the briefing text below, so we can start the discussions with everyone on an informed level. If you don't want to join a thematic group, there will be a parallel workshop taking place in every part of the programme in which there are thematic group sessions.

BRIEFING: AVIATION, TOURISM AND HOUSING

SUMMARY

The aviation and tourism industries are inextricably linked and are enemies of housing rights and the common space we all share. This thematic group aims to understand how these industries intersect and reinforce one another and how they contribute to displacement, real estate speculation, airport expansion and climate breakdown. At the same time, it asks how we can connect the dots between existing social struggles – against touristification, for housing justice, and for climate justice – and create common strategies to resist this destructive model, while building alternatives.

BACKGROUND

New and bigger airports bring more tourists to cities and regions where the housing "market" rapidly adapts to accommodate this increased demand. Real estate speculation, in turn, leads to houses standing empty while prompting tourism growth and demanding further airport expansion. From Barcelona to Oaxaca, these dynamics are making life impossible for residents.

In response, social movements have mobilised for the right to housing and to the city, while climate justice groups and airport neighbours have resisted airport expansion and aviation growth. However, coordination between these struggles has been limited, and wins have been few. Instead, the situation continues to worsen: rents are rising, neighbourhoods are hollowed out, access to public space is shrinking and the climate crisis is escalating.

There is an urgent need to build stronger alliances and find common ground between movements resisting touristification, displacement and climate breakdown.

CONTENT SESSIONS

At the strategy conference, this thematic group will:

- Analyse and map out the intersection between the aviation and tourism industries and their impact on housing rights and everyday life;
- Reflect on the reasons why housing justice, anti-tourism and climate justice movements have rarely coordinated their struggles;
- Share local experiences of organising – from resisting evictions to blocking airport projects;
- Explore potential joint demands and common targets;
- Develop concrete ideas for shared narratives, campaigns and actions at both local and international level.

Some of the guiding questions will include:

- What prevents these movements from working together?
- What could we achieve if we did?
- How do we move from analysis to common action?

We will be joined by speakers and movement representatives from different regions and contexts to share their insights and contribute to building common ground.

MATERIALS TO EXPLORE:

- Stay Grounded: [Degrowth of Aviation – Reducing air travel in a just way](#)
- European Action Coalition for the Right to Housing and to the City: [Housing financialization](#)
- Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung: [LA PAH – A Handbook](#)
- Environmental Justice Atlas: [Map of Airport-Related Injustice and Resistance](#)
- Movimento Referendo pela Habitação: [Turismo – a atividade económica que pior paga aos trabalhadores](#)
- Movimento Referendo pela Habitação: [De que forma o AL impacta o preço da habitação em Lisboa?](#)
- Assemblea de Barris pel Decreixement Turístic: [Manifest 15J: perquè el turisme ens roba pa, sostre i futur, decreixement turístic JA!](#)
- Tourism Emissions Project Team: tourismemissions.org
- CGT, Baladre y Ecologistas en Acción: [La Cara Oculta del Turismo](#)
- Pablo Muñoz Nieto: [Ampliaciones de aeropuertos: ¿una política de interés general?](#)
- Jaltun: <https://jaltun.mx/la-larga-sombra-de-la-turistificacion-sobre-el-caribe-mexicano/>
- Podcast - [The End of Tourism](#)
- Cómic - [“Don Frido: aviación, turismo y despojo”](#)

Webinars:

- [Turistificación - testimonios de República Dominicana, El Salvador y México](#)
- [La aviación y el turismo: escenarios en Latinoamérica y el Caribe](#)

BRIEFING: RED LINES FOR AIRPORTS

Facilitated by Lounes Dupeux, Magdalena Heuwieser and Mira Kapfinger (Stay Grounded), and Pablo Muñoz Nieto (Ecologistas en Acción)

In this thematic group, we especially invite people involved in countering airports. The goal is to discuss concrete steps for the coming months and years on how to best create joint pressure for capping airports and flights, with a focus on Europe. After a short Covid-related pause many airport construction and expansion projects are back on the table. Not only do they take us a step closer to climate breakdown, they also lead to tangible conflicts: they threaten neighborhoods and displace communities, lead to pollution, noise and health hazards as well as destroying farmland and biodiversity and contribute to mass tourism.

Right-wing and authoritarian governments are causing political setbacks at both the EU- and state-level. This makes it even more important to engage in local conflicts, to fight for healthier and supportive communities, to broaden our movement, and to organise with neighbors and local climate justice groups. We want – and need – to stop expansion, cap and reduce airport capacity, ban night flights and other bullshit flights (like private jets & short haul), and shut down small unnecessary airports that are dependent on taxpayer money.

Stay Grounded wants to focus its work in the coming period on an umbrella project called “Red Lines for Airports”, consisting of many local and internationally connected airport struggles, building pressure together to achieve local and European wins. We will learn from experiences of local struggles, discuss potential political and legal windows of opportunity, work on joint narratives, identify key support structures that local initiatives could find useful, and decide on steps for joint protests and actions.

On Friday, the facilitation team will bring a project proposal, building on previous debates in the Stay Grounded network and beyond, in order to discuss the concrete shape of the work together.

On Saturday, we will work in smaller groups on the key identified strategies, such as mobilisation & actions, narratives, community organizing, and policy/legal-support.

On Sunday morning, we will together shape a timeline and set priorities for the project.

Please read the [strategy proposal](#) for Red Lines for Airports ahead of the meeting:



BRIEFING: GROUNDED IMAGINARIES

SUMMARY

The tourism and aviation industries work hand-in-hand to feed corporate interests and fuel climate breakdown. To fight these destructive industries, we need a positive vision of what the future could look like to give us something to work towards and to bring people on board. Very often, when we work on creating these visions, they seem far away from our current reality and the roadmap to get there still seems unclear. In this group, we aim to create a vision of a grounded future where there is fair access to mobility and leisure for everyone within the social and ecological limits of our planet before looking at what concrete steps are needed to get there.

BACKGROUND

The tourism and aviation industries are focused on allowing a wealthy minority to access leisure and travel at the expense of the majority and the planet.

While many groups have built individual visions for the future, both externally and within our movements, we're so often drawn into countering these industries and structures without having the space and common direction to present alternative visions that bring people on board. But, from community-based tourism initiatives in Brazil to rail and boat cooperatives, there are positive examples of socially and climate-just tourism and travel out there, as well as a growing body of research on what could come next.

As the multiple crises escalate, there is a vital need to create these positive visions together, to understand how we can get there, and to communicate them to people to inspire them to join us.

CONTENT SESSIONS

This thematic group will:

- Take participants through a collective imagining process to envision what a future world looks like and how that future world might be achieved.
- Look at how our cities and societies can be organised to meet the needs of the people who live there.
- Look at what a fair mobility system looks like, including what remaining flights are still necessary and how they can be distributed in a fair and accessible way.
- Look at what socially just leisure looks like and how it can be shaped to meet the needs of the many.

- Look at positive examples of socially and climate-just tourism and transport that already exist, explore what we can learn from them, and how we can replicate them.
- Develop concrete ideas for the steps that lie between now and this vision.

LITERATURE

- Stay Grounded, Common Destination Guide (specifically chapter 3): <https://reframeaviation.stay-grounded.org/>
- Stay Grounded, Degrowth of Aviation: <https://stay-grounded.org/report-degrowth-of-aviation/>
- Stay Grounded, Just Transition: <https://stay-grounded.org/just-transition/>
- Alba Sud, Proposals for popular tourism: <https://www.albasud.org/detallespublicacion.php?id=135&lan=en>
- Alba Sud, Urban community tourism in Brazil: <https://www.albasud.org/publicacion/es/139/turismo-comunitario-urbano-en-brasil-una-pedagogia-de-la-resistencia>
- Alba Sud, Social tourism in Argentina: <https://www.albasud.org/publicacion/es/134/turismo-social-en-argentina-desarticulacion-de-una-politica-publica-con-voluntad-democratizadora>
- Alba Sud, Proximity tourism in Catalonia: <https://www.albasud.org/publicacion/es/109/transformar-el-turismo-desde-la-proximidad-iquest-como-abordamos-el-debate-en-cataluna>
- Alba Sud, Post-capitalist tourism: <https://www.albasud.org/publicacion/es/104/caminos-hacia-un-turismo-post-capitalista>
- End of Tourism Podcast: <https://www.theendoftourism.com/episodes/decoding-degrowth-boosterism-in-the-balearics-w-macia-blazquez>

BRIEFING: MOVEMENT SKILLS FOR THE CRISIS

SUMMARY

In this thematic group, we want to get a feeling for how relational skills, such as somatics, practices of care and consent, and holding complexity can nurture and strengthen us on an individual and collective level. We want to look at what we can learn from communities that have long-standing experience in organising and building life-affirming structures within crisis. And we want to come together to reflect on how to organise in a way that our movements become spaces of belonging, care and solidarity so that we can hold each other in difficult times.

BACKGROUND

We live in a time where climate, ecological and social crisis are worsening. Fascist and authoritarian governments are gaining power and climate tipping points are becoming more and more likely. To fight the oppressive system of capitalism and (neo-)colonialism that perpetuates this, we feel the need to tend to our movements and the relationships on which they are built. Adrienne Maree Brown writes “build the resilience by building the relationships”. This means learning and nurturing skills that strengthen our communities and relationships and help us to navigate times of crisis in a way that does not reproduce trauma and systems of oppression. While we think those “movement skills” are essential for fighting the polycrisis and ground our struggles in a more disruptive world, it is also the basis for the social infrastructures we envision for the liberated world we are fighting for.

We, especially those of us socialized in the Western societies, have been raised into cultures and philosophies of mind-body dualism, that prioritize rational approaches to strategy over emotion and sensation. This disconnects us from the more-than-human world. This often also shows in the way we organise in our groups and movements, hold strategy debates, plan campaigns with a strong focus on measurable results, and pay attention to certain voices (including within ourselves) while neglecting others.

STRUCTURE OF THE SESSIONS

On the first day, we will open up to gathering the skilled knowledge already present in the space and take a deeper dive into the practices of care and consent, inspired by the values of disability justice. The second day will focus on conflict resolution and our capacity to hold complexity and will be guided by Lu and An from Ulex. On the last day we will focus on integrating our experiences and give room to planting seeds for how to continue the work in our organisations and movements.

The thematic group will be facilitated by Filu and Asia.

Filu (they/them) is a queer, neurodivergent, white, dance artist, community facilitator and somatic practitioner. They are interested in queering and criping perspectives on care and consent, and in supporting social movements.

Asia Bordowa (she/her) from *inourbodies_onthestreets* collective, is a somatic teacher and practitioner from Poland, based in Catalonia, who is excited about ceramics and swimming.

Lu (she/her) is a group facilitator and mediator (using Process Work methodology), a biologist, and an activist from Madrid.

An Maeyens (she/her) has been a social movement trainer and facilitator for 25 years, and is rooted in anti-oppression work and feminist and critical pedagogy.

INSPIRATIONS AND READINGS

- adrienne maree brown: Books “emergent strategies” and “we will not cancel us”
- Leah Lakshmi Piepzna Samarashina: “Care Work- Dreaming Disability Justice”
- Staci K. Haines: “Wholeness- Somatics, Trauma, Healing and Social Change” “The Politics of Trauma”
- Healing Justice London: <https://healingjusticeldn.org/methodology/building-brave-and-beautiful-movements/>
- Bayo Akomolafe/Marta Benavides - The times are urgent, let's slow down: <https://www.bayoakomolafe.net/post/the-times-are-urgent-lets-slow-down>

WORKSHOPS

The workshops slots will cover a wide range of topics mediating knowledge of aviation and tourism, and skills in action organising, campaigning, movement strategy and more.

PANELS & KEYNOTES

We bring together people from across the movements in several panels, keynotes and interactive sessions to set the ground for strategic discussions. The joint panels will also be the spaces where we connect the conference in Barcelona with the local conferences in India and Mexico. On Sunday we will weave the threads together and look ahead to what we take from this conference for our alliances, our strategies and our activities in the years to come.

INTERACTIVE FORMATS

We will create space to get to know each other, meet new people, and exchange on our struggles. There will be more informal spaces to meet and connect beyond the structured program. We especially recommend the session on Saturday at 5.30 pm "Beyond Survival - Embodied practices to help ground our being".

BIPOC EMPOWERMENT LUNCH

If you identify as being of Global Majority heritage or BIPOC (Black, Indigenous or a person of colour), feel invited to grab your lunch and eat with us: 1st floor, right side next to the "cabines" and the co-working area.

It will be a facilitated but informal space with the aim for people to connect, feel safe, and be able to express how you feel with the conference or/and in the movement. Let us know if you have any questions or concerns about whether this is a space for you - we're aware these words may not resonate with all of you AND we'd love to welcome you with your diverse identities, multiple belongings, as well as with any confusion about how we should identify or mixed feelings about what it's like to gather.

QUEER EMPOWERMENT LUNCH (TBC)

If you identify as queer or anywhere in the LGBTQIA+ spectrum, feel invited to grab your lunch and eat with us: 1st floor, right side next to the "cabines" and the co-working area.

It will be a facilitated but informal space with the aim for people to connect, feel safe, and be able to express how you feel with the conference or/and in the movement. Let us know if you have any questions or concerns about whether this is a space for you - we're aware these words may not resonate with all of you AND we'd love to welcome you with your diverse identities, multiple belongings, as well as with any confusion about how we should identify or mixed feelings about what it's like to gather.

CULTURE AND CREATIVITY

To win, we need to connect to people's emotions. We offer spaces for dancing, music, poetry, arts, exhibitions and other forms of emotionally connecting with each other and our fights.



PARALLEL CONFERENCES

MEETING OF RESISTANCE (MEXICO CITY)

'Latiendo la Tierra - Beyond aviation, touristification and capitalism'

3-5 July 2025

San Gregorio Atlapulco, Xochimilco, Mexico City



It will be possible to
attend the life stream
online via ZOOM 5!

Faced with the negative impacts of touristification, airport expansion and infrastructure megaprojects for the 2026 World Cup, we, the peoples, are organising ourselves to resist and fight for the defence of water, land and life.

At the Casa del Pueblo Tlamachtiloyan in Atlapulco, in a meeting co-organised by Permanecer en la Tierra (the Latin American and Caribbean network of Stay Grounded), we will bring together movements defending the land, anti-touristification initiatives, struggles for water and climate justice, and other social movements with the intention of joining forces and asking ourselves:

What can we do to win the battle against the growing ecological and social crisis?

Collectives from the north to the south of Mexico, Mesoamerica, the Caribbean and Brazil, among other places, will join, physically or virtually, in this meeting of resistance to:

- denounce and discuss the impacts of touristification and the growth of aviation, their link to mega-events and other extractive industries in indigenous and peasant territories as well as in urban regions;
- reflect and share possibilities for resistance and the construction of the possible worlds we dream of;
- celebrate life with music, dance and other artistic expressions that demonstrate the richness of our territories;
- give thanks to Mother Earth with a collective offering following the tradition of our indigenous communities.

Our struggle is for life!

JUST MOBILITIES CONFERENCE (BANGALORE)

Reshaping aviation narratives and strategising for a grounded future

3-4 July 2025

Bangalore, India

Stay Grounded member cBalance Solutions is hosting this conference in parallel to build narratives specific to the political ecology in India related to the aviation industry and airport development.

Recognizing the need for a holistic perspective while determining alternatives to existing aviation narratives and aviation itself, the meeting will make space for participants spanning social researchers focusing on transport, urban planners, policy makers, lawyers, airport activist group representatives, journalists, and members from the aviation industry themselves to:

- unpack the driving forces of aviation, by deconstructing the mainstream narratives on the aerotropolis economic model and political policies enabling air traffic growth
- hear and reflect on the testimonials of farmers facing eviction due to airport expansion
- build counter-narratives to aviation growth and advance proposals for a just transition for aviation
- determine pathways to engage with stakeholders who influence public policies in areas related to the aviation industry

The focus will be on framing a vision and supporting strategy that offers an alternative to the current capitalism-centric aviation development approach that serves only a limited percentage of the world's population.

DETAILED PROGRAM

Thursday 3rd July

🕒 2:00 – 3:00 pm

REGISTRATION AND INFO DESK

🕒 3:00 – 5:00 pm

OPENING SESSION: BUILDING A STRONG AND DIVERSE MOVEMENT

This session will show who is present in this conference (in Barcelona, Bangalore, Mexico City and all over the world) and how our struggles and our visions are interconnected. We will look at why we are here, what we are fighting for and discuss how we can build more strength and solidarity across our diverse movements.

With contributions from (among others):

- Angel Sulub & Gabriela Vega Téllez (Permanecer en la Tierra)
- Eva Vilaseca (Bloc4, Coopolis, Ecohub)
- Juani Pérez Sena (Las Kellys)
- Libaharan Ravindran (Anti-Oppression Circle)
- Sara Mingorría (Zeroport)
- Savitha Narayanamurthy (cBalance)
- Sean Currie (Stay Grounded)
- Ana Gago & Teresa Mamede (European Action Coalition for the Right to Housing and the City)

Who can participate? Everyone!

🗣️ EN, translation to ES and FR | 🧑 Facilitation: Mira Kapfinger (Stay Grounded) | 💻 hybrid | 📍 Sala d'actes, Zoom 1

🕒 5:30 – 7:30 pm

WORKSHOP SLOT 1

1. THEORIES OF CHANGE AND CONFLICT ESCALATION

In this workshop we will discuss different theories of change that organisations have regarding different issues and analyse the strategies and tactics they use to achieve their goals. Then we will talk about conflict escalation, a tool that various “momentum-driven” movements have used in recent years.

Who can participate? Anyone involved in social movements

🗣️ EN, translation to ES and FR | 🧑 Facilitation: Leonor Canadas (Fermento & Climáximo) | 💻 hybrid | 📍 Sala d'actes, Zoom 2

2. MOVEMENT MAPPING: STRATEGIES AGAINST AVIATION AND OVERTOURISM

Within our movements we use a broad range of strategies to fight for climate justice and just forms of mobility and tourism. But which specific approaches exist and which assumptions and theories of change underlie these different orientations? In this workshop, we want to classify our approaches according to six categories and analyse their strengths and weaknesses under the given circumstances and in different contexts. We will also discuss how different strategic approaches can work together.

Who can participate? Everyone, but you should have a good overall knowledge of the movements present

🗣️ EN, translation to ES and FR | 🧑 Facilitation: Manuel Grebenjak (radius) | 🧑 in-person | 📍 Sala de Reunions 5

3. IS THIS PROTEST NEWSWORTHY? SPACE, TACTICS, DISCOURSES AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Acts of protest are essential in contemporary democracies because they can influence both opinion-formation and decision-making processes. Indeed, protests are communicative acts: they occupy space, relate to sociocultural backgrounds, and depend on wide repertoires of tactics. These tactics help create the images and discourses that media organizations prefer for their news production. The workshop explores how the media operates and how protests can be designed to communicate more effectively.

Who can participate? Anyone

🗨 EN 👤 **Facilitation:**
Alexander Araya Lopez
(Sociologist, PhD
- Researcher) 💻 only online 📍 Zoom 3

4. WHY AVIATION AND ITS GREENWASHING ARE A MATTER OF CLIMATE JUSTICE

Join this workshop if you are wondering why tackling aviation is such an important issue in the fight for climate justice. We will offer facts, numbers and arguments showing the urgency to reduce flights and stay grounded. We will also unveil the illusions the aviation industry creates to make us think that green, sustainable flights are possible. We dive into the limits, possibilities and false promises of biofuels, e-fuels, electric flights, negative emission technologies and offsetting.

Who can participate? Everyone not that familiar with the topic of aviation, its relation to climate justice and the greenwashing strategies of the aviation sector.

🗨 EN, translation
to ES and FR 👤 **Facilitation:**
Michaela Leitner
(Stay Grounded) 👥 in-person 📍 Aula 3

5. DEMOCRATIZING SCIENCE AND QUESTIONS OF SUSTAINABILITY: IMAGINING AND ENGAGING ALTERNATIVE FUTURES

Democratizing Science and Questions of Sustainability seeks to empower participants to engage in meaningful sustainability efforts through innovative and accessible scientific practices. By blending formal scientific methodologies with creative and imaginative approaches, the workshop aims to equip community members with the tools necessary to gather, formalize, and communicate their own data effectively.

Who can participate? Anyone

🗨 EN 👤 **Facilitation:**
Eric Zepka
(XOX labs) 💻 hybrid 📍 Aula 4,
Zoom 4

6. COLLAGE PARA EL FUTURO / COLLAGE FOR THE FUTURE

In this collage workshop, we will tear pages from consumerist advertisements and transform them into images of the future we want. Collage is a simple technique that allows us to create powerful visual narratives. I invite you to bring magazines, flyers, or documents that can be reused! But of course you can join without these materials if you don't have any ;)

Who can participate? Anyone

🗨 EN 👤 **Facilitation:**
Marcela J Villaca 👥 in-person 📍 Aula 1

🕒 7:30 pm

DINNER

🕒 9:00 pm

CULTURAL PROGRAM

This first evening is an invitation to slowly arrive in Barcelona and an invitation to connect with others in an informal setting. There will be a self-guided walking route through the Sants neighborhood, going past spaces of popular resistance against gentrification and in defense of neighborhood life.

Additionally, we will provide an overview of social events happening in the neighborhood and the city, in self-organized and activist spaces. We invite you to explore and attend these events together with others you've met today.

More information on the walking route and the overview of events will be provided at the conference.

📍 outside

Friday 4th July

🕒 9:30 am

ARRIVAL, INFO DESK, COFFEE

🕒 10:00 – 11:15 am

TAKING STOCK: MAPPING THE STRATEGIES OF OUR MOVEMENTS

In this panel we will take a look at where we are standing currently within our movements. What has been achieved in the past years and decades? Where are our blind spots? And where do we need to adapt our strategies to a reality of an escalating polycrisis? We will map out the difficult questions we need to pose ourselves and take a look at how the thematic groups of the conference are trying to answer some of them.

With Alexander Araya Lopez (researcher on airports resistance) and representatives from the different thematic strands of the conference

🗨️ EN, translation
to ES and FR

👤 Facilitation:
Sean Currie
(Stay Grounded)

💻 hybrid

📍 Sala d'actes,
Zoom 1



11:30 – 1:30 pm

THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS

Description see from page 8 on

1. AVIATION, TOURISM AND HOUSING

EN, translation
to ES

hybrid

Sala d'actes,
Zoom 2

2. RED LINES FOR AIRPORTS

EN, translation
to ES and FR

hybrid

Aula 3,
Zoom 3

3. GROUNDED IMAGINARIES

EN, translation
to ES

in-person

Sala de
Reunions 3

4. MOVEMENT SKILLS FOR THE CRISIS

EN, translation
to ES

in-person

Aula 4

WORKSHOP SLOT 2

5. USING SPECULATIVE METHODOLOGIES TO REFRAME TOURISM

We are exploring how (if at all?) current tourist policies and managerial decisions could be re-formulated to foster human connection.

Keeping this purpose in mind, we would like to meet with diverse people (such as host population, neighbours, business people, social movements, and artists) to discuss topics such as links between tourism and consumption, a sense of community, local realities, and ethics in the Anthropocene.

This should help us imagine a desirable mobility and tourism scenario.

Who can participate? People living in spaces suffering over-tourism, travellers, activists, concerned citizens.

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Facilitation:
**Neus Crous-
Costa**
(part of an in-
formal research
group of artists
and academics)

in-person

Coopolis



1:30 pm

LUNCH

(with a Global Majority Heritage empowerment)



3:00 – 5:00 pm

WORKSHOP SLOT 3

1. POLITICAL DEMANDS FOR RED LINES FOR AIRPORTS

Which are the measures to put red lines to airports and reduce aviation's emissions, that are a) most feasible, b) in line with climate science/radical enough and c) effective strategically? We want to use this workshop to get scientific input and discuss existing proposals for demands and targets.

Speakers:

- Giulio Mattioli (Professor TU Dortmund)
- Alex Chapman (New Economics Foundation)
- Aiza Rodrigues Akhtar (Transport & Environment)
- Charlène Fleury (Rester sur Terre / Stay Grounded France)

Who can participate? Everyone

EN, translation to ES and FR	Facilitation: Mira Kapfinger (Stay Grounded)	hybrid	Sala d'actes, Zoom 2
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2. OUR STORIES, OUR FUTURE: A CARE SPACE FOR PEOPLE OF GLOBAL MAJORITY HERITAGE

This space centres voices and experiences for people of global majority heritage (BIPOC). It is a space for care, honesty, connection, joy, and future-making, for what hurts, what heals, and what lifts us.

Who can participate? People of global majority heritage, specifically for Black, Indigenous, and People of Colour (BIPOC)

EN, translation to ES and FR	Facilitation: Matthew Heyse-Moore (Anti-Oppression Circle)	in-person	Aula 3
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3. DECODING AI FOR MOBILITY JUSTICE: TOOLS, RISKS, AND GRASSROOTS STRATEGIES

This interactive workshop explores how artificial intelligence (AI) can either perpetuate or dismantle the inequalities embedded in today's mobility systems. Participants will critically examine AI's role in aviation, tourism, and urban transport – from algorithmic route optimization that prioritizes profit over people, to AI-driven tourism platforms that exacerbate overtourism. Through hands-on case studies we'll brainstorm how decentralized, transparent AI can empower climate-just transitions.

Who can participate? Everyone, no knowledge about AI required.

EN	Facilitation: Luc Ouali	hybrid (Attention: only 8 participants can join virtually! The first 8 participants to enter the Zoom room can take part)	Zoom 4
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4. SING YOUR DAY: IMPROVISED VOCALS AND BODY MUSIC CIRCLE

Join us as we explore the voice and the body together in a musical, playful and embodied way. We are the instruments!

This is a guided yet fully improvised experience, practicing the facilitation tools and methods of Musica do Circulo. No prior experience is required, only an openness to connect with other humans in your own fun, light and authentic way.

Who can participate? Anyone who is interested in positive social change.

EN	Facilitation: Matteo De Vos	in-person	Aula 2
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5. SKILLS FOR NAVIGATING OPPRESSION AND PRIVILEGES

We understand 'oppression' as historically established systems of structural power that give certain groups of people influence and dominance over others. They are built into and perpetuated through institutions and reinforce cultural norms. Within our groups, they show up in the ways decisions are made, how power is distributed, our economic relationships, and the ways certain voices are valued over others.

In this workshop we develop skills to:

- navigate the reality of systems of oppression and privilege dynamics
- draw new understanding from past experiences of conflict
- move beyond polarisation

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

🗨 EN | 🧑 Facilitation: Hilal Demir (Ulex) | 👥 in-person | 📍 Aula 1

🕒 4:00 – 9:00 pm

6. SCREENPRINTING

Come print your own t-shirts, totebags or whatever fabrics you want to bring! Or buy some pre-printed materials with anti-aviation slogans.

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

🗨 ES/EN | 🧑 Facilitation: Solange Dalannais | 👥 in-person | 📍 just outside of Bloc 4

🕒 5:30 – 7:30 pm

WORKSHOP SLOT 4

1. WHO OWNS AND WHO RESISTS AIRPORTS AROUND THE WORLD?

Practical workshop on how to use the Environmental Justice Atlas (EJAtlas) and airport ownership data to inform strategies and connect to active struggles globally.

EJAtlas includes over 130 airport conflict cases from all over the world. In this workshop, we will learn how to navigate and use available statistics. It also offers insights on global tendencies and strategies to resist. Let's explore how these, combined with knowledge on ownership structures can inform our future strategies! We will also learn how to contribute a case to EJAtlas and connect with fellow groups.

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

🗨 EN, translation to ES and FR | 🧑 Facilitation: Marcel Llaveró Pasquina (EJAtlas) | 💻 hybrid | 📍 Sala d'actes, Zoom 2

2. STRAIGHTTO YOUR DESTINATION BY (NIGHT)TRAIN: HOW BACK-ON-TRACK WANTS TO CONNECT ALL EUROPEANS IN A MORE SUSTAINABLE WAY

Straight to your destination by (night)train: how Back-on-Track wants to connect all Europeans in a more sustainable way. More insights on the lobby work done and to be done. In the second part participants will be able to give insights from their country and can ask questions on how to act as an NGO (Back-on-Track Europe).

Who can participate? Everyone interested to be inspired to influence politicians.

🗨 EN | 🧑 Facilitation: John Miller (Back on Track Belgium) | 💻 only online | 📍 Zoom 4

3. DEDESIRE: (DE)CONSTRUCTING (ANTI)AVIATION ADS

Why do people still buy aviation services in the midst of the climate crisis? In this workshop, we'll tackle that complex question by analyzing aviation advertisements. What are they really selling, beneath the surface of a simple flight service? What desires and emotions do they manipulate through their marketing strategies? How do they greenwash one of the most polluting industries on the planet?

After digging into these questions, we'll strike back - collectively sketching post-aviation ads to express the future we actually want to live in.

This workshop will be held in Spanish with English interpretation!

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

 ES, translation to EN	 Facilitation: Francesco Colombo (Artist network / desdesig / autoenganyans)	 in-person	 Art space Can Batlló
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4. DECONSTRUCTING THE ARGUMENTATION OF AVIATION LOBBIES

Aviation lobbies are mainly successful with fallacious arguments presenting "alternative" facts. Policy makers usually uncritically accept these narratives. Grassroots communities don't always have the resources to effectively counter that aggressive lobbying. This is one of the main hurdles to act effectively.

The workshop will analyse the main aspects of aviation lobbying and aims to provide effective ways of responding with real facts and an appropriate narrative.

Who can participate? Everybody wanting to engage against the excesses of aviation lobbies.

 EN	 Facilitation: Michel Firholz (Citizens against aviation noise)	 in-person	 Aula 1
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5. BODY OF GRIEF - BODY OF HOPE

A time to explore how a deeper and embodied connection to the natural world and to ourselves may support us in navigating the polycrisis. How might our bodies hold space for grief, hope, and more?

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

 EN, translation to ES and FR	 Facilitation: Matthew Heyse-Moore (Anti-Oppression Circle)	 hybrid	 Aula 3, Zoom 3
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 **7:30 pm**

DINNER

 **9:00 pm**

OPEN MIC AND SHARING SPACE

On this second evening, we will organize an open mic, with a space for you to share your experiences so far in the form of music, poetry, short stories, or any other material you want to share with others. We invite you to bring texts or other materials you find inspiring or that help you in your daily work. Additionally, if you want to share some music please think about bringing an instrument.

We invite you to sign up for a slot for the open mic at the infodesk beforehand, but there will also be space for spontaneous contributions.

 **tbc**

Saturday 5th July



9:30 am

ARRIVAL, INFO DESK, COFFEE



10:00 – 11:15 am

HOW AVIATION INTERSECTS WITH SOCIAL JUSTICE: UNPACKING POWER, PRIVILEGE, AND POSITIONALITY IN AVIATION AND TOURISM

This panel invites us to examine how oppressive dynamics show up in the structures and daily practices of the aviation and tourism industries, and in our own movements and organising spaces. From the colonial roots of global travel to the racialised and classist access to mobility today, we'll ask: how do we embed anti-oppression into the core of our campaigns, not just as an add-on? What is needed to practice collective liberation and solidarity across borders in ways that do not reproduce extractive patterns? And how do we build movements where equity and justice are embodied principles, not just values?

Speakers:

- Nontokozo Sedibe-Sabic (founder of Ubuntu Co-Create)
- Vivian Kelechi (PhD on colonial structures in the aviation industry) [online]
- Emma River-Roberts (Working Class Alliance)
- Aiza Rodrigues Akhtar (Transport & Environment)



EN, translation
to ES and FR



Facilitation:
Libaharan
Ravindran
(Anti-Oppression
Circle)



hybrid



Sala d'actes,
Zoom 1



11:30 – 1:30 pm

THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS

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1. AVIATION, TOURISM AND HOUSING



EN, translation
to ES and FR



hybrid



Sala d'actes,
Zoom 2

2. RED LINES FOR AIRPORTS



EN, translation
to ES and FR



hybrid



Aula 3,
Zoom 3

3. GROUNDED IMAGINARIES



EN, translation
to ES



in-person



Sala de
Reunions 3

4. MOVEMENT SKILLS FOR THE CRISIS



EN, translation
to ES



in-person



Aula 4

WORKSHOP SLOT 5

5. THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF AIRPORT EXPANSIONS: HOW TO MEASURE THE PROBLEMS

Proposals for airport expansion are generally accompanied by consultancy reports and studies that present the economic benefits as large and unquestionable.

Taking an approach to the economy that includes consideration of issues such as inequality and environmental breakdown, the New Economics Foundation have been challenging these traditional assumptions. With reference to studies and examples from across the UK and Europe, Alex will present a new narrative.

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

🗨️ EN/ES	👤 Facilitation: Alex Chapman (New Economics Foundation)	👥 in-person	📍 Sala de Reunions 5
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🕒 2:00 pm

LUNCH

(with a queer empowerment, tbc)



3:00 – 5:00 pm

WORKSHOP SLOT 6

1. COMMUNITY ORGANISING AROUND AIRPORTS: HOW TO BUILD A WORKING-CLASS-LED CAMPAIGN

Join Sasha Josette and Emma River-Roberts from Working Class Climate Alliance (WCCA) for an introduction to organising in frontline communities.

In this session, you will explore how to develop a class analysis as part of your political strategy, and how to use it to centre working-class communities in your organising work.

You will also hear from Bhola Bhattarai, from Stay Grounded member organisation NAFAN – National Forum for Advocacy Nepal, who has been at the forefront of the struggle against the proposed Nijgad International Airport.

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

🗨️ EN, translations to ES and FR	👤 Facilitation: Sasha Josette and Emma River-Roberts (Working Class Climate Alliance)	💻 hybrid 👥	📍 Sala d'actes, Zoom 2
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2. SPEAK FOR THE MOVEMENT: PRACTICAL SKILLS AND KEY MESSAGES

This training will give you the skills and messages to speak for your group about aviation. We will give you the key messages developed by Stay Grounded to disarm the aviation industry, and then do practical exercises to improve your ability to use those messages when speaking for the movement. You do not need to be an officially designated 'spokesperson' to join ;)

Who can participate? Anyone who may speak on behalf of your group or movement

🗨️ EN	👤 Facilitation: Sean Currie and Inès Teles (Stay Grounded)	👥 in-person	📍 Aula 2
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3. „LET’S EXPAND AVIATION!‘: A (SATIRICAL) BOARD GAME TO MAKE PROFIT OVER PEOPLE

Demo of the “Let’s expand aviation” game. A satirical game to explore how the aviation industry exploits the planet and the people. Your goal will be to make more profit than your competitors by expanding airports, creating as many airlines as possible and using green claims ! But be careful to the regulating events coming from the game itself...

After the presentation of the game, we will have a short brainstorm on how we could use the game to spread our narratives and build power.

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

EN Facilitation: **Charlène Fleury**
(Rester sur Terre) in-person Aula 1

4. DECLINE IN TOURISM AND AVIATION: LET’S AVOID FALLING INTO CLASSISM

Just as global tourism dynamics and hypermobility in air travel feed into each other, the decline in tourism and the reduction in air traffic are interconnected. There is no shortage of ideas, but given the unfortunate capitalist framework in which we live and think, most of them point to class-based solutions, even if unintentionally or unconsciously.

Can we transcend these frameworks and think of another way to live, travel, and enjoy holidays and rest?

Who can participate? Open to everyone.

ES, translation to EN Facilitation: **Daniel Pardo Rivacoba** (Assemblea de Barris pel Decreixement Turístic / Zero-port) Citizens against aviation noise) in-person Aula 3

5. HOW TO EXPOSE AVIATION’S GREEN LIES

With the pressure mounting on the aviation sector to reduce its emissions, it has developed increasingly absurd strategies of “decarbonisation” – whose principle function is to delay meaningful action.

After a short overview of current “greenwashing trends” in the aviation sector, we will discuss in an informal setting:

- Which types of greenwashing should we counter right now?
- Which types of activities are the most promising?
- How can we effectively communicate about it?

Who can participate? Everyone is warmly welcome to join, especially people who have already worked on that topic to share their experiences, knowledge and strategic considerations with the group. If you are not familiar with issue of greenwashing in the aviation sector at all, we recommend you to take part in the “Aviation and Climate Justice” workshop.

EN Facilitation: **Eric Lombard, Michaela Leitner, Hannah Lawrence** (Stay Grounded Greenwashing Working Group) hybrid Aula 4, Zoom 4

5:00 pm

COFFEE BREAK



5:30 – 6:30 pm

BEYOND SURVIVAL: EMBODIED PRACTICES TO HELP GROUND OUR BEING

Rest, Ritual, and Reconnection is what we need more in our climate struggles. This session creates space to honour the emotional and somatic layers of our work. Whether you are carrying grief, hope, anger, joy, exhaustion, or all of the above, you are welcome. Through grounding exercises, gentle body practices, and collective witnessing, we will explore what it means to resource ourselves and each other in times of climate and social crisis. This is not a space to solve everything, but to feel, to release, and to remember what holds us.

EN, translation to ES and FR | Facilitation: Matthew Heyse-Moore (Anti-Oppression Circle) | in-person | Sala d'actes

CHALLENGING AVIATION IN THE US AND CANADA: A STRATEGIC EXCHANGE

This “online only” session is dedicated to the exchange of participants from the US and Canada. Let's exchange about:

- your perspective on the conference debates
- which kind of support would be the most helpful for you in your campaigns and
- the issue of private jets.

Private jet use of celebrities has been in the media a lot in the US, and it shows the injustice of carbon emissions by the rich and powerful - a topic even more relevant with the Trump administration trying to restructure the economic and political systems to serve only the needs of a wealthy minority and to defund social justice and climate action.

Who can participate? Participants from the US and Canada joining online.

EN | Facilitation: Mira Kapfinger and Michaela Leitner (Stay Grounded) | only online | Zoom 4



6:30 – 8:00 pm

AVIATION AND TOURISTIFICATION: PILLARS OF A LIFE-INCOMPATIBLE MODEL IN BARCELONA

In this session, organized by the local group Zeroport, we invite speakers with different backgrounds to discuss the implications of the current city model based on the expansion of aviation and tourism. We will also learn about the history of the movements resisting airport expansion and future steps for mobilisation.

Speakers:

- Ariadna Cotén, will present Zeroport and their main demands. She will be the moderator of the session.
- Marta Ribera, economist from Espai Zerovuit, will set the framework of the current city model, and how it is related to the proposed airport expansion and the interests lying behind.
- Pablo Muñoz, from Ecologistas en Acción, will explain the issues derived from aviation and the practices of the industry.
- Jose Garcia, from DEPANA, will talk about the local impacts of the airport in el Prat and how communities have organised against it in the Baix Llobregat area.

EN, translation to ES, CAT and FR | hybrid | Sala d'actes, Zoom 1



8:00 pm

DINNER



9:00 pm

MUSIC AND DRINKS

Our last evening together will include a space to dance, chat, and connect. While having some (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) drinks on the terrace of la Cantina LAB, we will enjoy the music of some great Barcelona-based DJs: Soumeia (Arab fusion dance music) & Local Groove (Vinyl disco music). Good music and good vibes guaranteed! Please buy your tickets (which includes 2 drinks) beforehand at the infodesk (6€ cash only).

La Cantina LAB

Sunday 6th July

🕒 9:30 am

ARRIVAL, INFO DESK, COFFEE

🕒 10:00 – 11:30 am

THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS

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1. AVIATION, TOURISM AND HOUSING

🗨️ EN, translation to ES and FR 🖥️ hybrid 📍 Sala d'actes, Zoom 2

2. RED LINES FOR AIRPORTS

🗨️ EN, translation to ES and FR 🖥️ hybrid 📍 Aula 3, Zoom 3

3. GROUNDED IMAGINARIES

🗨️ EN, translation to ES 👤 in-person 📍 Sala de Reunions 3

4. MOVEMENT SKILLS FOR THE CRISIS

🗨️ EN, translation to ES 👤 in-person 📍 Aula 4

WORKSHOP SLOT 7

OPEN SPACE

The Open Space session offers a dynamic platform for participants to initiate and lead discussions, activities, or thematic talks that matter to them. From day one, a designated area at the welcome desk will be available for proposing topics and signing up. This collaborative format ensures that everyone's interests, concerns, and ideas are explored, fostering inclusive and diverse engagement. It is a space of liberty where individuals or groups can share what remains in their hearts, addressing important topics that may not have been approached yet. There will be one space offered discussing the connection of Aviation, Military and Palestine.

Who can participate? Everyone who wishes to exchange with other participants.

📍 Aula 1/Aula 2

🕒 11:30 am

COFFEE BREAK

🕒 12:00 – 2:00 pm

CLOSING PANEL: WEAVING THE THREADS TOGETHER AND LOOKING AHEAD

In this last session of the conference we will harness results and look ahead. We will listen to the outcomes of the thematic groups, share inspirations from the workshops and hear contributions from the parallel conferences in Mexico and India. We will discuss what this means for our alliances, our strategies and our activities in the years to come.

🗨️ EN, translations to ES and FR 👤 Facilitation: Natasha Josette and Emma River-Roberts (Working Class Climate Alliance) 🖥️ hybrid 📍 Sala d'actes, Zoom 1



2:00 pm

LUNCH



Afternoon

JOINT ACTION

tbc - Information will be given at the conference

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A special thanks to Coopolis and Bloc4 who made it possible that we are in this wonderful venue.

Thanks to the organisers and facilitators of all the different formats of this beautiful program, the tireless logistics team, the the anti-oppression and care team and all the wonderful volunteers who make this conference possible.

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Thanks to all the interpreters for making this event accessible in different languages.

Thanks to Katharina Lutzky for doing the graphic design of this program.

Thanks to all the social movements and communities that came before us,

who inspire us and on who's shoulders we are standing with our work. Thanks to the workers and care-takers who indirectly helped make this happen: the train workers who helped us get to the location, the people taking care of children, elderly or injured so others of us could organise this conference, the builders who built the venue, the factory workers who built the laptops online participants joined on, and the billions of other too-often-exploited workers upon whose backs our societies are built. Our liberation will come!

Thanks to the "turtles" (the Stay Grounded coordination team) and the whole Stay Grounded Network and Zeroport for supporting with your knowledge and your experience.

We also want to thank the many individual donors and different foundations for financing this event and continuously supporting the work of the Stay Grounded Network.

FEES AND DONATIONS

The participation fee serves to cover a small part of the food, interpretation, travels, infrastructure etc. We didn't want to stop people who do not have much money from coming, which is why we offer a range (10-30€/day, or also more or nothing if it's not possible).

You can pay the fee in cash at the information desk or transfer it to our bank account.

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Thursday 3rd July

			
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Registration and Info Desk		
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Opening Session: Building a strong and diverse movement	EN/ES/FR	✓
5:30 – 7:30 pm	Workshop Slot 1 1. Theories of Change and Conflict Escalation 2. Movement Mapping: Strategies against aviation and overtourism 3. Is this protest newsworthy? Space, tactics, discourses and social media 4. Why Aviation and its Greenwashing are a Matter of Climate Justice 5. Democratizing Science and Questions of Sustainability: Imagining and engaging alternative futures 6. Collage Para el Futuro / Collage for the Future	EN/ES/FR EN/ES/FR EN EN/ES/FR EN EN	✓ x ✓ x ✓ x
7:30 pm	Dinner		
9:00 pm	Cultural program		

Friday 4th July

			
9:30 am	Arrival, info desk, coffee		
10:00 – 11:15 am	Taking Stock: Mapping the strategies of our movements	EN/ES/FR	✓
11:30 – 1:30 pm	Thematic working groups 1. Aviation, Tourism and Housing 2. Red Lines for Airports 3. Grounded Imaginaries 4. Movement Skills for the Crisis Workshop slot 2 5. Using Speculative Methodologies to Reframe Tourism	EN/ES/FR EN/ES/FR EN/ES EN/ES EN	✓ ✓ x x x
1:30 pm	Lunch		
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Workshop slot 3 1. Political Demands for Red Lines for Airports 2. Our Stories, our Future: A care space for people of global majority heritage 3. Decoding AI for Mobility Justice: Tools, risks, and grassroots strategies 4. Sing Your Day: Improvised vocals and body music circle 5. Skills for Navigating Oppression and Privileges 6. Screenprinting Workshop slot 4 1. Who Owns and Who Resists Airports Around the World? 2. StraightTo Your Destination by (Night)Train: How Back-on-Track wants to connect all Europeans in a more sustainable way 3. Dedesire: (De)constructing (Anti)Aviation Ads 4. Deconstructing the Argumentation of Aviation Lobbies 5. Body of Grief - Body of Hope	EN/ES/FR EN/ES/FR EN EN EN ES/EN EN EN/ES/FR	✓ x ✓ x x x x ✓
4:00 – 9:00 pm			
5:30 – 7:30 pm			
7:30 pm	Dinner		
9:00 pm	Open Mic and Sharing Space		

Saturday 5th July

			
9:30 am	Arrival, info desk, coffee		
10:00 – 11:15 am	How Aviation Intersects with Social Justice: Unpacking power, privilege, and positionality in Aviation and Tourism	EN/ES/FR	✓
11:30 – 1:30 pm	Thematic working groups 1. Aviation, Tourism and Housing 2. Red Lines for Airports 3. Grounded Imaginaries 4. Movement Skills for the Crisis Workshop slot 5 5. The Economic Impacts of Airport Expansions: How to measure the problems	EN/ES/FR EN/ES/FR EN/ES EN/ES	✓ ✓ x x
2:00 pm	Lunch		
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Workshop slot 6 1. Community Organising Around Airports: How to build a working-class-led campaign 2. Speak for the Movement: Practical skills and key messages 3. "Let's Expand Aviation!": A (satirical) board game to make profit over people 4. Decline in Tourism and Aviation: Let's avoid falling into classism 5. How to Expose Aviation's Green Lies	EN/ES/FR EN EN ES/EN EN	✓ x x x ✓
5:00 pm	Coffee break		
5:30 – 6:30 pm	Beyond Survival: Embodied practices to help ground our being Challenging Aviation in the US and Canada: A strategic exchange	EN/ES/FR E	x ✓
6:30 – 8:00 pm	Aviation and Touristification: Pillars of a life-incompatible model in Barcelona	EN/ES/CAT/FR	✓
8:00 pm	Dinner		
9:00 pm	Music and drinks		

Sunday 6th July

			
9:30 am	Arrival, info desk, coffee		
10:00 – 11:30 am	Thematic working groups 1. Aviation, Tourism and Housing 2. Red Lines for Airports 3. Grounded Imaginaries 4. Movement Skills for the Crisis Workshop slot 7 Open Space	EN/ES/FR EN/ES/FR EN/ES EN/ES	✓ ✓ x x
11:30 am	Coffee break		
12:00 – 2:00 pm	Closing Panel: Weaving the threads together and looking ahead	EN/ES/FR	✓
2:00 pm	Lunch		
Afternoon	Joint Action		



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