

LAW FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST

AGENDA

Saturday, November 30th

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 Welcome and Introduction: Michelle Swenarchuk, Conference Chair

9:15 to 10:30 **LABOUR, ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH:
UNMASKING THE AGENDA**

Jim Stanford, Canadian Auto Workers

Tracey Mussett, Ontario Health Coalition

Paul Muldoon, Canadian Environmental Law Association

LOCATION: MAIN FLOOR ROTUNDA

10:30 to 10:50 Break

10:50 to 12:30 Facilitated Workshop discussions: Issues raised in the Plenary.

LOCATION: METRO HALL, THIRD FLOOR

Workshop No. 1: Room 302 Lynn Spink, Facilitator

Workshop No. 2: Room 303 Doug Macdonald, Facilitator

Workshop No. 3: Room 307 Nick de Carlo, Facilitator

Workshop No. 4: Room 313 Kathy Cooper, Facilitator

12:30 to 1:30 Lunch

LOCATION: MAIN FLOOR ROTUNDA

1:30 to 1:30

INSPIRATIONS: COALITION CAMPAIGNS THAT WORK

Canadian Resource Companies in Chile: Challenging their labour,
environment, and community impacts

Alan Young, Environmental Mining Council of B.C.

THE GAP AND WEARFAIR CAMPAIGNS:

Karen Dick, UNITE [Ont. District Council]

**KEEPING NAFTA OUT OF HEALTHCARE: The NAFTA
"RESERVATION CAMPAIGN"**

Michael McBane, The Canadian Health Coalition

**STOPPING THE REGULATORY EFFICIENCY ACT: NATIONAL DE-
REGULATION IN ONE FELL SWOOP**

Craig Boljkovac, CELA

**MODERATOR: LORRAINE MICHAEL, ECUMUNICAL COALITION
FOR ECONOMIC JUSTICE**

LOCATION: MAIN FLOOR ROTUNDA

3:00 to 3:30

Break

3:30 to 5:00

Discussion groups: lessons learned, other campaigns and ideas, what's
needed

LOCATION: SAME AS MORNING WORKSHOP LOCATIONS

Sunday, December 1st

9:45 a.m.

Coffee and welcome

10:00 to 11:15

**THE CHALLENGE OF HEALTH SYSTEM RESTRUCTURING:
IMPACTS AND OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS SECTORS**

Dr. Philip Berger, Physician

*Kathleen Connors, President, National
Federation of Nurses Unions*

*Sonny Arajado, Executive Director, Association of
Ontario Health Centres*

LOCATION: MAIN FLOOR ROTUNDA

**MODERATOR: COLIN LAMBERT, CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC
EMPLOYEES (invited)**

11.15

Break: get coffee and go right into workshops

11:15 to 12:30

WORKSHOPS

1. INTERNATIONAL STANDARDIZATION AND VOLUNTARY CODES: Corporate strategies to undermine laws

Dr. Riva Krut, Benchmark Environmental Consulting

John Anderson, Management Consultant, former Ontario Federation of Labour, Co-ordinator, Technology Adjustment Research Project

Moderator: Ramani Nadarajah, CELA

LOCATION: ROOM 302

2. PREVENTING POISONS IN OUR COMMUNITIES, WORKPLACES AND ENVIRONMENT

Andy King, United Steelworkers of America

Karen DeKoning, Chatham Breast Cancer Support Group, and Breast Cancer Prevention Coalition

Barbara McElgunn, Learning Disabilities Association of Canada

Moderator: Morag Simpson, Greenpeace

LOCATION: ROOM 303

3. TOBACCO AND DRUG "REGULATION:" SMOKE AND MIRRORS

Dr. Joel Lexchin, Physician

Garfield Mahood, Non-Smokers Rights Association

Moderator: Elizabeth Sloss

LOCATION: ROOM 307

4. CLOSE TO HOME: Off-loading services to our municipalities; can they cope?

Dr. Doug Sider, Physician, Associate Medical Officer of Health, Waterloo Regional Health Unit

Sarah Miller, Great Lakes United, WATER PRIVATIZATION

Olivia Chow, Metro Toronto Councillor

Moderator: Jean Greig, Peterborough Eco-Council

LOCATION: ROOM 313

12:30 to 1:15

Lunch

ROTUNDA

LOCATION: MAIN FLOOR ROTUNDA FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE CONFERENCE

- 1:15 to 2:00 Reports and recommendations from the work shops
- 2:00 to 3:15 **TOWARDS THE 21st CENTURY: FIGHTING FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST**
Dr. Marjorie Cohen, Economist and Dalion Camp, Journalist
Moderator: Laurell Ritchie, CAW
- 3:15 to 3:30 Conference wrap-up: Michelle Swenarchuk

ENDORISING ORGANIZATIONS:

Canadian Auto Workers
Canadian Auto Workers - Windsor Regional Environment Council
Canadian Environmental Law Association (CELA)
Canadian Health Coalition
Canadian Labour Congress
Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE)
Center for Work and Society (York University)
Citizens Environment Alliance of South West Ontario
Communication, Energy & Paper Workers Union
Faculty of Environmental Studies (York University)
Law Union of Ontario
National Federation of Nurses Unions
Ontario Federation of Labour
Ontario Health Coalition
Ontario Society for Environmental Education
Physicians for a Smoke-Free Canada
Stop Environmental De-regulation in Canada
The International Children's Rainforest
United Steelworkers of America
Windsor and Area Coalition for Social Justice
Windsor and District Labour Council Environment Committee
Women's Network on Health & Environment

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