Welcome to

Modes of Organising global Labour Solidarities – Exchanging Experiences, Developing new Perspectives

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1. What concrete experiences does your union have with cross borders (regional, international) organizing and networking?

2. How do you try to organize workers along the global value chains?

3. How is the utility of the present global union federations (sectorial and intersectorial) evaluated by your organisation?

4. Which forms of international organisation (in the field of labour) do you see as appropriate in the future, and how we might get there?

Programme 1st day

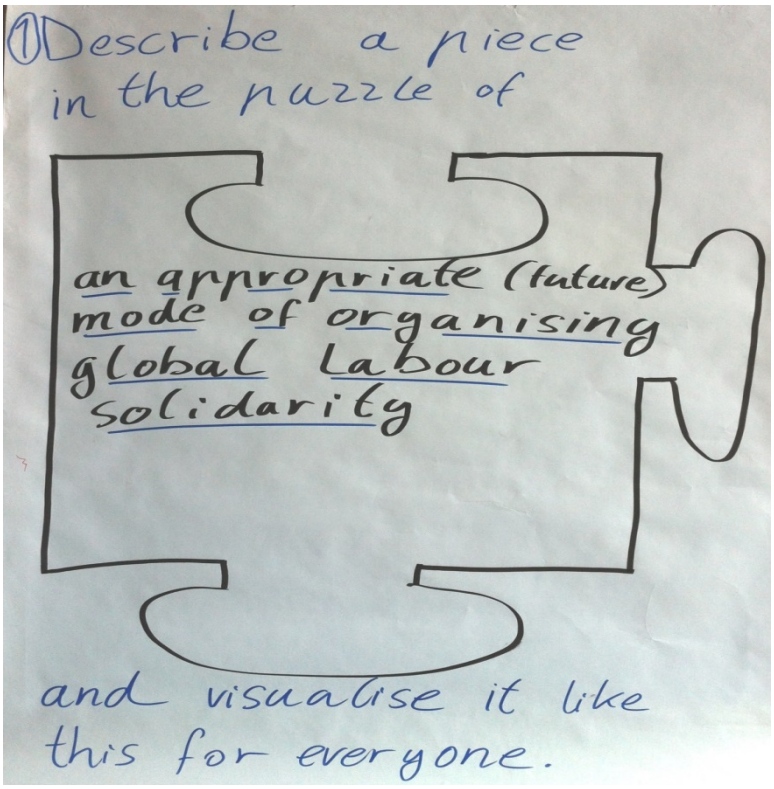
16.30-16.50	Welcome / Why we need to discuss experiences of global labour Solidarities and develop new perspectives
16.50-17.20	Introductory round / collecting expectations
17.20-19.00	Exchange of experiences with cross border organising — comparison of experiences from different countries and continents
19.00-19.10	Conclusion
19.10-	Joint Dinner

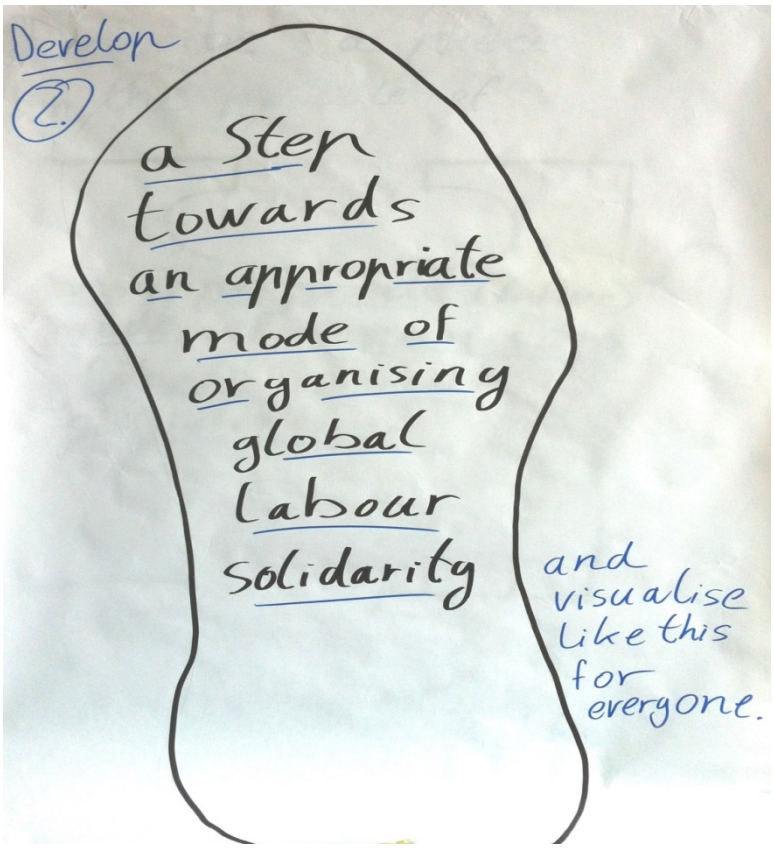
Modes of Organising global Labour Solidarities - 2nd day morning

9.00-9.10	Welcome
9.10-10.40	Experiences with global union organising: The example of IndustriALL
10.40-11.00	Tea Break
11.00-12.30	Towards Joint Trade Union Action in the 21st Century: Recent efforts in Uniting the Working Class of the South and the North in an Imperialist World
12.30-13.30	Lunch Break

Modes of Organising global Labour Solidarities 2nd day afternoon

13.30-14.45	Which forms of international Labour organising do we see as appropriate and how do we might get there
14.45-15.00	Tea Break
15.00-15.30	Evaluation


① Describe a piece in the puzzle of
an appropriate (future) mode of organising global labour solidarity
and visualise it like this for everyone.


Develop
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a Step towards an appropriate mode of organising global labour solidarity
and visualise like this for everyone.

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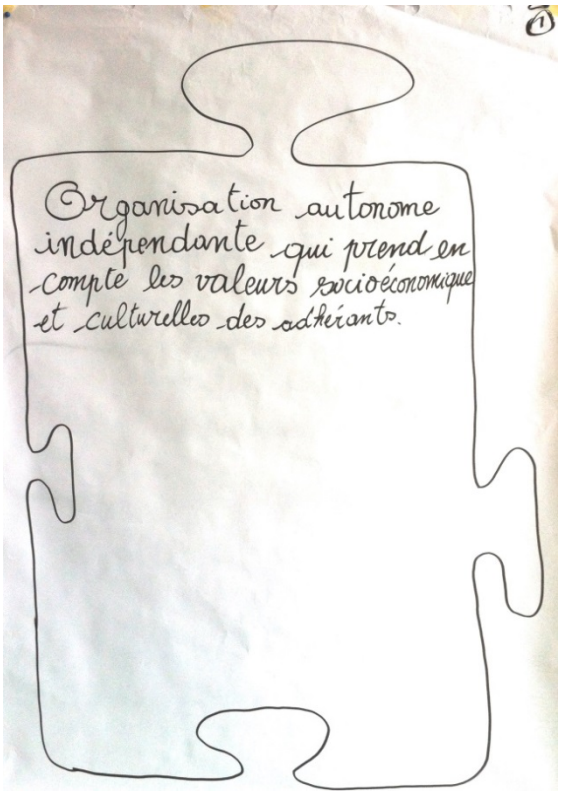
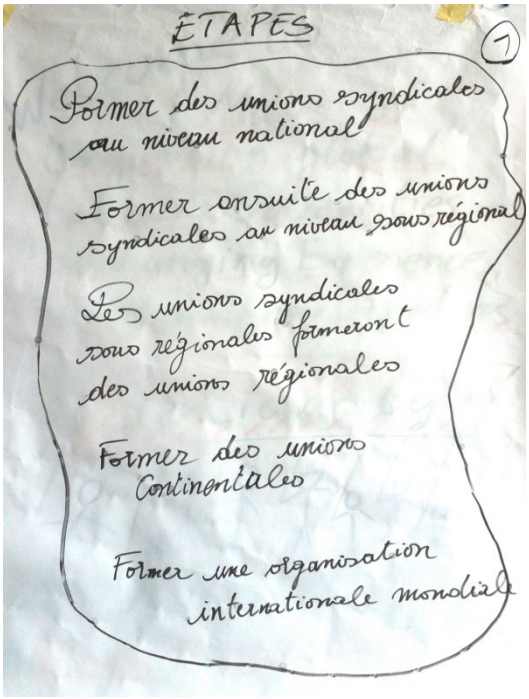


Autonomous and independent organisation which takes the socio-economic and cultural values of its affiliates into account



Steps:

Forming unions at the national level

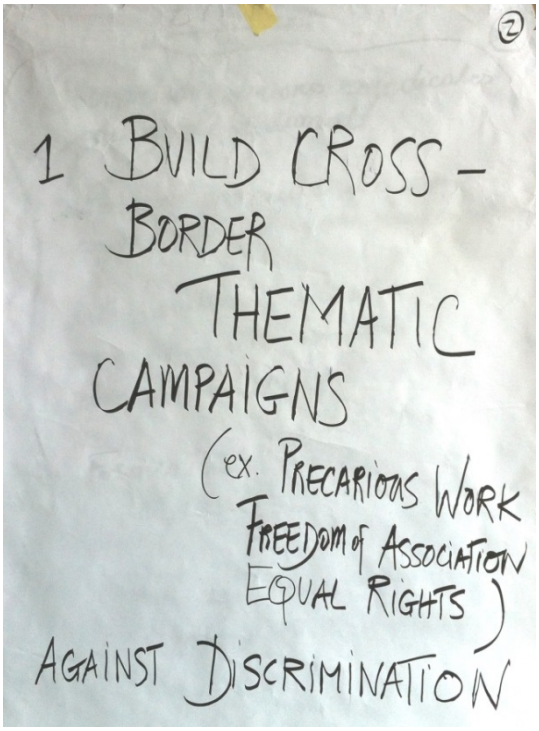
Forming unions at the sub-regional level

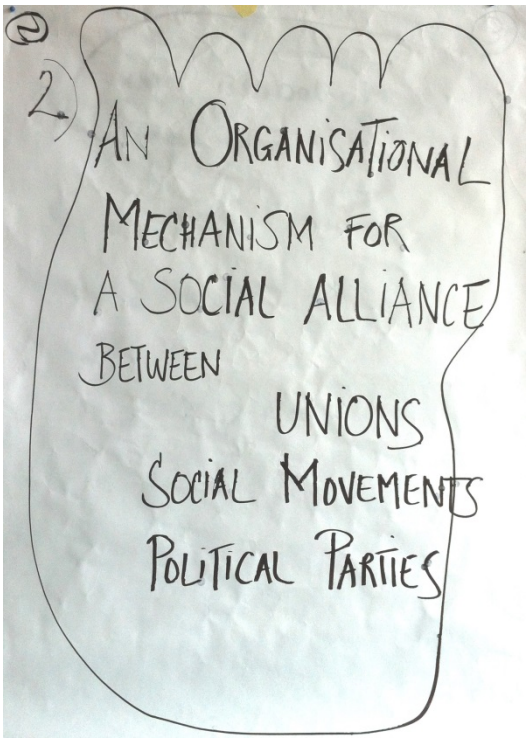
The sub-regional unions form the union on the regional level

Forming continental unions

Forming an international worldwide organization

Team 2:

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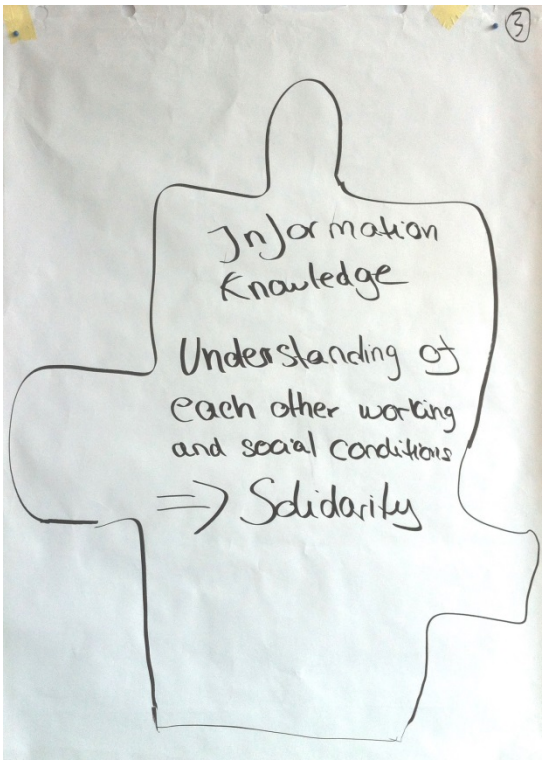
AN ORGANISATIONAL
MECHANISM FOR
A SOCIAL ALLIANCE
BETWEEN
UNIONS
SOCIAL MOVEMENTS
POLITICAL PARTIES

Team 3: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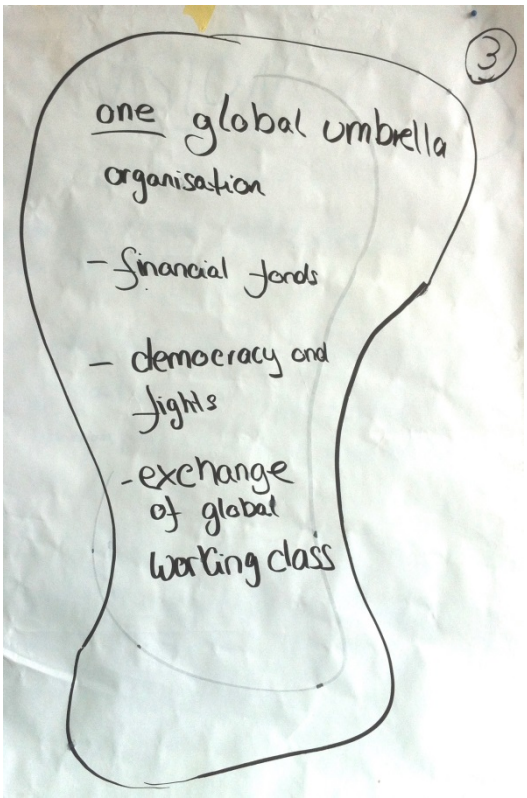
Information
Knowledge
Understanding of
each other working
and social conditions
=> Solidarity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one global umbrella organisation
- financial funds
- democracy and fights
- exchange of global working class

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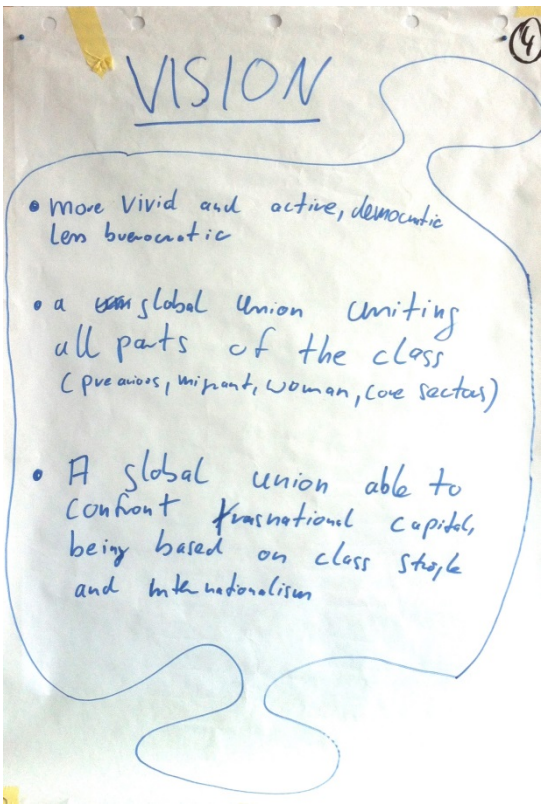
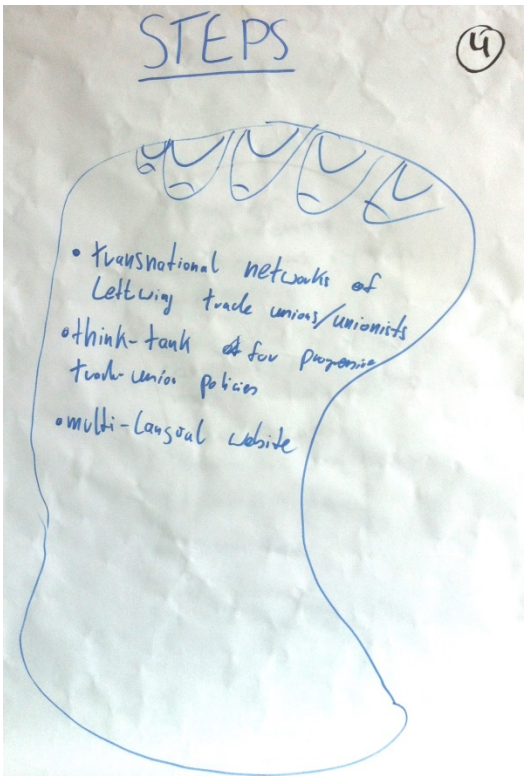

4
VISION
• more vivid and active, democratic less bureaucratic
• a global union uniting all parts of the class (precarious, migrant, woman, core sectors)
• A global union able to confront transnational capital, being based on class struggle and internationalism



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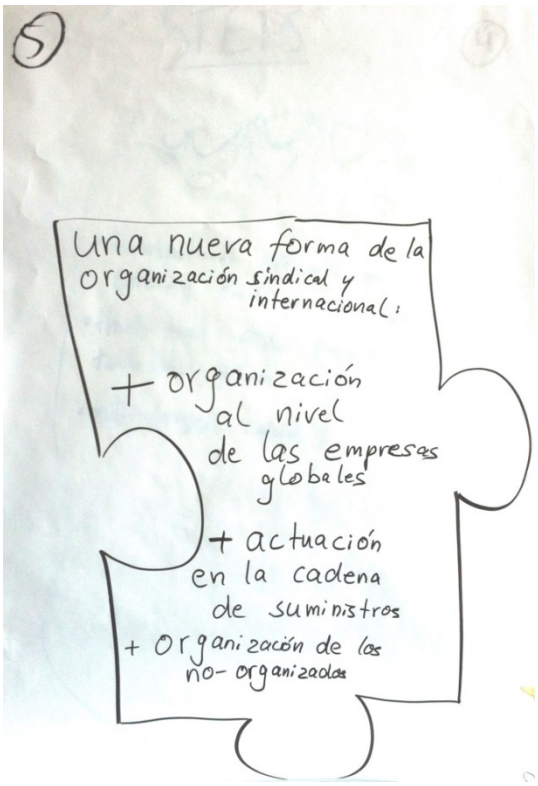
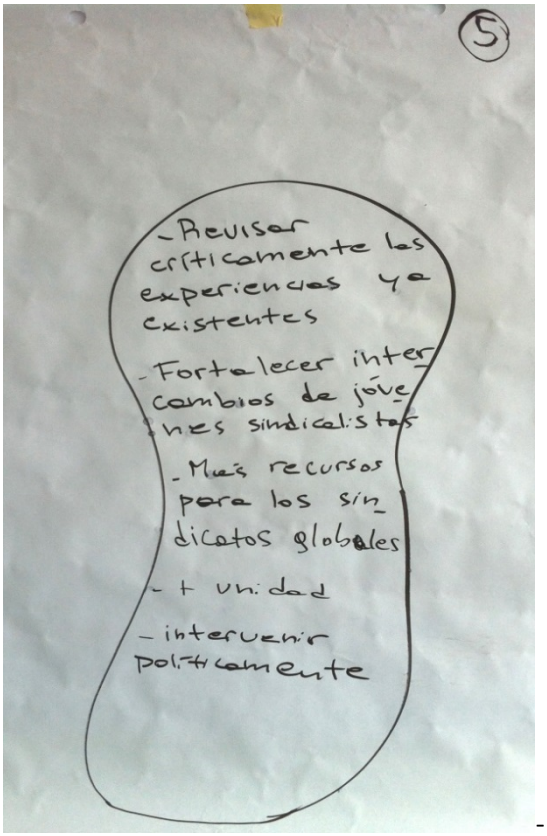


A new form of international and union organising

+ organizing at the level of global companies

+ intervention on the supply chain

+ organizing the unorganised



- critically revisiting the existing experiences

- strengthening exchange between young unionists

- more resources for the global unions

- more unity

- intervening politically