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**“An interdisciplinary Political Economy Approach for a transformative social
Mobilization”**

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Abstract

Based on an interdisciplinary Political Economy approach, on the accumulated knowledge, and the evidence available, this paper intends to challenge (a) the dominant, narrow-minded and restrictive theoretical approach associated with mainstream economics and economism more broadly, (b) the dominant capitalist mode of production (CMP) due to its destructive socio-ecological implications, (c) the nation-state and supra-national state apparatuses such as the E.U. as bourgeois mechanisms of social authority and exploitation, and (d) the existing institutions and organizational forms concerning the social and class struggle mainly of the working class. Challenging the dominant CMP, we will focus on its implications in certain crucial areas, including the economic and social inequality and lack of democracy, the uneven development and socio-spatial polarization, the exploitation and appropriation of human and non-human natures, the inherent competition and cost shifting, the exclusion of the right to work and hence the inadequate satisfaction of basic social needs, the destructive socio-ecological implications of the growth imperative of capitalism, and the inherent contradictions between its parts and the whole. Regarding the struggle and the transformative social mobilization to supersede capitalism, we will focus on the current dilemma between partial or interstitial initiatives and a more total confrontation and fundamental transformation of capitalism. Finally, pointing to some of the inherent weaknesses or incapacities of the existing socio-political agencies, we will risk some thoughts towards a novel organizational form for a new social initiative from below.