

ACTIVITY 6:

Make another world possible

We can take inspiration from past and current struggles to shape our ideas for the future.

Materials: Hand out copies of Ideas for the future, share the link, and/or copy headings from the spread on a flip chart.

Plenary: Before or during the session, invite everyone to read the list of Ideas for the future. Point out that many future-oriented ideas exist, such as proposals for more just, sustainable, and democratic ways of solving problems and organising our lives. Some ideas that have been 'cooking' for a long time are being recovered. Ask:

- What ideas inspired our struggles in the past?
- What ideas are re-emerging, gaining ground, or evolving in our context today?

In pairs: Choose one idea from the list or from your own context or experience of resistance and struggle. You could do some quick research on the internet. With your partner, discuss the questions and prepare a short presentation in words and/or graphics on flip chart paper.

- What idea or proposition has given you or your movement inspiration, hope, and strength?
- Where, when, and how has this idea been active in the past?
- What lies behind this idea: how does it propose to do things differently? What problems does it seek to solve? What alternative does it propose?
- In what ways is this idea present today? How does it provide inspiration or possibilities for change?

Plenary: Pairs take turns to present highlights from their research and discussions. Then, compare the presentations: what commonalities or differences emerge? Together, discuss:

- In what ways do our current activism and movement strategies draw on these ideas?
- Could we use them to focus or strengthen our strategies?
- How can we bring these ideas to life in the ways that we organise and lead?