

The crisis of Covid-19 is slowly being resolved, but it is not at all clear in what kind of world we shall awake once that all is over. It may be a better world, since it seems clear to any responsible person that solidarity is the only way that the planet gets out of this crisis, but maybe just the opposite will happen. At this moment, there is a lot of power concentrated in the hands of very few people, the leaders who have become all powerful, using the emergency laws that they have passed through the parliaments. Some of them are portraying themselves as the 'father figure', gaining sympathy of the naive, some are blaming everybody else for the situation with Covid, and so on. During this time, the main opposition to such possible abuse, which are the intelligentsia, are sitting home locked by the emergency measures. All outlets of cultural life are closed, the cinemas, the theatres, even the libraries, not to mention the universities.

We were one of the firsts to call for social distancing in the UK

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-51892402>

[http://maths.qmul.ac.uk/~vnicosia/UK\\_scientists\\_statement\\_on\\_coronavirus\\_measures.pdf](http://maths.qmul.ac.uk/~vnicosia/UK_scientists_statement_on_coronavirus_measures.pdf)

But now we have to think of the aftermaths. We are worried that by the time that the intellectuals will be allowed to leave from their rat-holes where they have been pushed, the world might be completely transformed and much intellectual and other liberty lost. However, we can get organised ! This international video-conference where selected leaders and emerging talent from the world of science and culture meet, is a step.

All presenters offer

**a vision of the world after the Covid crisis.**

This vision might be a speech, but it may also be a piece of art or a poem. The presentations will be open to any interested listener invited by one of the speakers and will be recorded and posted on You Tube. In the first instance the presentations are posted through the Zoom Cloud links on this website and then gradually transformed to the You Tube channel whose link is on the site. The week of the conference is the **week of June 22nd**. The interventions are about 20 minutes long, followed by a 25 or so minutes discussion.

Everything at this conference is free or donated. The speakers donate their time. The event is linked to the Floating Logic Seminar hosted by the National University of Colombia in Bogota. It is also morally supported by the Fondacija Memorijalni Atelje Alija Kučukalić and the logic consulting company Logic Consult.

Our speakers may speak in whatever language they choose, as we would like to leave the idea of the dictatorship of English in every international event. In this case, there will be slides in English. We have speakers who will be speaking in English in French or in Spanish and probably in some other languages.

The Solidarity Conference is also organised in a united way: some of us started inviting some people, but everybody we invited has had a right and moreover was encouraged to suggest further people to invite, whom we would then invite together. The conference is very inclusive and may include people of different political or philosophical opinions, but we are overwhelmingly on the left. The left is a concept full of divisions, I hope that this conference will be a way to overcome some of them.