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## About us

Tue, 26/02/2008 - 23:10

### Who are the Fifth Internationalists?



*The League for the Fifth International* is a revolutionary organisation. Our goal is to build a world party of socialist revolution, fighting across the world for an end to capitalism and for socialism. We base our programme ? From Protest to Power ? and our day to day policies on the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Trotsky, on the revolutionary documents of the first four congresses of the Third International and the Transitional Programme of the Fourth International published in 1938.

The working class has had four previous working class international parties. We are not the Fifth International ? we are an international revolutionary tendency of groups fighting for it. The struggle against capitalism is an international struggle, as Marx wrote in 1848, the working class has no country. The fight against capitalism must be an international one, uniting socialists across the world in resistance to the system.

The League has sections in Austria, Brazil, Britain, Germany, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Sweden and the USA. We have supporters in many other countries across the world. In Europe we campaign within the trade unions and social movements, uniting young people and workers across the continent. In Sri Lanka our comrades lead trade unions and have a long history of supporting the Tamils against the chauvinist government. In Pakistan our section was born in the pro democracy movement against dictatorship and now actively opposes the war on terror and supports trade union struggles against the endemic poverty.

We stand for working class independence and consistent revolutionary politics. Within the social movements which have emerged against capitalism, war and poverty the League for the Fifth International has argued for a clear socialist perspective. We support all progressive steps forward for the working class and oppressed people in their fight against capitalism and imperialism.

We work alongside REVOLUTION, the socialist youth movement, who organise young people in countries as diverse as the US and Nepal against capitalism.

**If you are interested in [joining](#)[1]the League please read our international programme [From Resistance to Revolution \(2010\)](#)[1]**

If you agree with what you are reading then you should join the League [here](#)

### **[Sri Lanka: Vote Socialist ? and prepare to fight!](#) [2]**

Socialist Party of Sri Lanka Tue, 23/03/2010 - 11:33

On April 8th Sri Lanka goes to the polls in a parliamentary General Election. The Socialist Party of Sri Lanka, the Sri Lankan section of the League for the Fifth International is standing in two districts, Ratnapura and Hambantota, as part of the Left Liberation Front electoral alliance which also includes the Nava Sama Samaj Party (section of the Fourth

International) and the Tamil National Liberation Alliance. Each party is standing on its own programme. [Read more...](#) [3]

## **[Revolutionärin: Who we are and what we want](#)** [4]

Sun, 07/03/2010 - 23:00

The editorial of the first issue of Revolutionärin, the magazine of the Revolutionary Women's Collective in Austria. [Read more...](#) [4]

## **[First issue of Workers Power in Chinese](#)** [5]

Mon, 08/02/2010 - 21:31

In collaboration with Chinese socialists, the League has produced the first issue of Workers Power in Chinese. [Read more...](#) [5]

## **[Statement on the Sri Lanka 2009 Presidential Election](#)** [6]

Socialist Party of Sri Lanka Thu, 04/02/2010 - 11:19

Statement on the Sri Lankan Presidential election by the Socialist Party of Sri Lanka [Read more...](#) [6]

## **[A new section of Revolution has been founded in Nepal](#)** [7]

Mon, 18/01/2010 - 17:47

[Revolution](#) [8], the socialist youth organisation in political solidarity with the League for the Fifth International has established a new section in Nepal [Read more...](#) [7]

## **[Whichever candidate wins will be a threat to democracy, let us fight for socialism!](#)** [9]

Socialist Party of Sri Lanka Tue, 12/01/2010 - 10:35

Statement by the Socialist Party of Sri Lanka on the Presidential elections [Read more...](#) [9]

## **[The end of the decade and the struggles ahead](#)** [10]

Simon Hardy Sat, 02/01/2010 - 12:36

Simon Hardy reviews the last decade and looks forward to revolutionary upheavals in the coming years [Read more...](#) [10]

## **[Russian language bulletin of the League](#)** [11]

Fri, 04/12/2009 - 17:14

The League for the Fifth international has entered into collaboration with a Russian language Trotskyist bulletin called *Movement Towards Socialism*. [Read more...](#) [11]

## [Workers Power US holds founding conference \[12\]](#)

Tue, 24/11/2009 - 23:51

Workers Power USA (WPUSA), the sympathizing section of the L5I in the USA, held its founding conference in Chicago on 13th-15th November 2009. [Read more...](#) [12]

## [Protests in Colombo to defend the Tamils \[13\]](#)

Thu, 24/09/2009 - 14:37

Demonstrations were held in Colombo earlier in September to protest the attacks on Media freedom by the Rajapakse government. [Read more...](#) [13]

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