

SEP (UK) public meetings

Egypt, Tunisia and the perspective of permanent revolution

5 February 2011

The uprising in Egypt, coming after mass demonstrations in Tunisia and other countries in the region, marks a new stage in the class struggle in the Middle East and internationally.

Mass demonstrations of workers and youth throughout Egypt have shaken the regime of US-backed dictator Hosni Mubarak. Hundreds of thousands are pouring into the streets to demand the president's resignation, denouncing mass unemployment and poverty, clashing with police, and burning down the headquarters of the ruling National Democratic Party.

The protests come just weeks after demonstrations forced another US-backed dictator, Zine El Abidine Ben Ali of Tunisia, to flee. Significant demonstrations have spread to other countries, including Yemen, Jordan and Algeria.

The year 2011 will usher in a new period of revolutionary upheavals. To carry forward these struggles, a new leadership must be built, consciously rooted in the lessons of the twentieth century and the perspective of international socialist revolution—defended today only by the International Committee of the Fourth International.

Sheffield

Tuesday, February 8, 6 p.m.
Sheffield Hallam Students Union
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Tuesday, February 8, 7 p.m.
University of Sussex
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Sunday, February 13, 2 p.m.
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