

## BOOKING FORM for the BREAKING THE FRAME GATHERING 2nd-5th May 2014

The options for accommodation at Unstone Grange are camping in the grounds or shared bedrooms in the house (between 2 and 6 people sharing a room). If you are young and fit we'd be grateful if you choose the camping option to reserve the beds in the house for those who really need them and might otherwise be unable to attend. 3 meals a day are included in the accommodation cost. The food will be vegan (catering by Veggies). There will be childcare available during the daytime. There are a limited number of parking spaces for visitors.

**Disabled access:** Bedrooms in the house are upstairs, with no lift. There is a wheelchair accessible toilet downstairs. We are working on accommodation options nearby. Please contact us about this or any other access needs as soon as possible, and we will make every effort to ensure your needs are met.

If you are happy to book and pay online, we would prefer it, since it makes administration and payment simpler. If so, please visit [www.breakingtheframe.org.uk](http://www.breakingtheframe.org.uk).

**PLEASE WRITE IN BLOCK CAPITALS** Unless you tell us otherwise we will contact you by email

**NAME:** ..... **ADDRESS:** .....

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**EMAIL:** ..... **PHONE:** .....

**Childcare:** please tell us the names and ages of your children, and any special needs they may have.....

**Dietary requirements:** please state any dietary requirements (such as gluten free or allergies): .....

I would like a parking space. If you plan to sleep in a van, please pay the camping rates.

**Please tick the box for the type of accommodation you would like:**

Type of accommodation	Standard/concession	Cost	Number of adults
Camping	Standard	£54	
Camping	Concession	£36	
House (without bed linen)	Standard	£90	
House (without bed linen)	Concession	£60	

I would like to hire bed linen at an extra cost of £5 per person (for people in the house).

**The concessionary rate** is for people who are unwaged. If you are not unwaged but think you should pay the concessionary rate, please be in touch with us. We aim to ensure that nobody is excluded from the gathering for financial reasons, so if the concessionary rates are still more than you can afford, please be in touch with us and we will try to ensure that you can attend. If you are on a high wage and are in a position to donate, in order to subsidise those on low incomes, please consider doing so: any amount will be gratefully received.

**Voluntary donation amount:** .....

How to pay: if you are paying by cheque, please send it to Luddites200, 5 Caledonian Road, London N1 9DX. NB: Please make cheques payable to Human Genetics Alert, whose bank account we are using for these purposes.

**Please contact us if you have any queries:** [luddites200@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luddites200@yahoo.co.uk), 020 7426 0005.

# ***BREAKING THE FRAME***

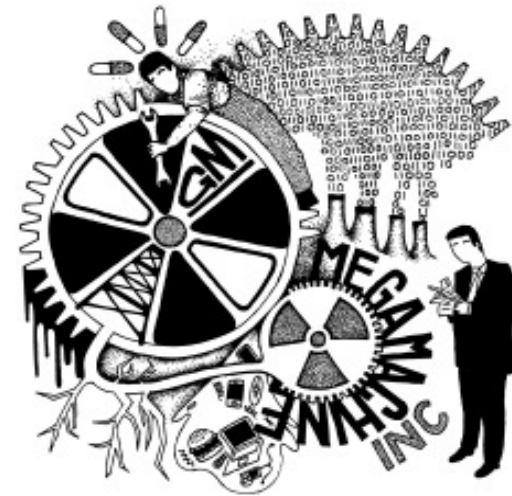
## ***A Gathering on the Politics of Technology***

Unstone Grange, Derbyshire

May 2nd-5th 2014

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Organised by Luddites200, Corporate Watch and  
Scientists for Global Responsibility



- ◆ Do you worry about fracking or the climate crisis?
- ◆ Are you fighting for the rights of women or disabled people?
- ◆ Do you care about drones or how your food is produced?
- ◆ Are you concerned about state and corporate surveillance?
- ◆ Do you wonder if the pills your doctor prescribed are making you more ill?

# Time to get a grip on technology!

## We need a new approach to technology

Technology does bring some genuine benefits for ordinary people, but its development is almost entirely controlled by corporate, military and technocratic elites, so it tends to serve their interests and to reinforce their power.

The politics of food, energy, work, gender, peace, economics, health, etc are all shaped by choices about technology made by those elites. In fact, the whole way in which our society develops is massively influenced by technology, yet ordinary people never have a proper say in it. Instead, we're always left reacting to the technocrats' latest plan, whether it's drones, internet surveillance, GM food, fracking, designer babies or nuclear power stations.

### **We think all these issues are linked. So it's time for a more joined up and proactive approach to technology,**

one that addresses the root causes of problems and is not limited by the dogma that technology equals progress. We want to create a new politics of technology, based on bringing together the insights of different movements, and learning from each other.

**We want a human-scale technology that serves real human needs, not corporate bottom lines. We want democratic control of technology.** A world facing environmental meltdown and massive inequality - both caused by 200 years of industrial capitalism - needs better solutions than more dangerous techno-fixes like climate engineering.

**We plan to create a new network that can decisively shift the debate on technology, environment and society. Come and join us!**

**Organisations supporting the gathering**  
(at time of printing): Luddites200, Corporate Watch, Scientists for Global Responsibility, Gaia Foundation, Biofuelwatch, Human Genetics Alert, Boycott EDF, Rising Tide, Japanese Against Nuclear UK, The Land magazine, Occupy London environment working group, Action AWE, Knickers to Nuclear, visionon.tv, Genetic Engineering Network, Low Impact Living Initiative, Campaign Against Climate Change, The Green House Think Tank.

## Breaking the Frame, May 2nd - 5th

**Whether you're a technology politics campaigner, trade unionist, environmentalist, critical scientist, developer of alternative technology, artist or plain concerned citizen, Breaking the Frame is not to be missed.**

### **Some of the issues we'll discuss include:**

- ◆ What does a critical politics of technology mean in the 21st century: democratic control or 'low technology'?
- ◆ History of industrial society and environmental crisis; challenging the concept of progress through technology
- ◆ Experiences in different campaigns and struggles
- ◆ Alternative visions of social and technological development, and the transition to a sustainable and economically just society.

There will be demonstrations and workshops on craft-based production, poetry, music, walking etc. Childcare will be available.

**Key speakers include:** Jerry Mander (International Forum on Globalisation), Simon Fairlie (The Land Magazine), Hilary Wainwright (Red Pepper), Theo Simon (Stop Hinkley), Danny Chivers (No Dash for Gas), Helena Paul, (Econexus).

Places are limited, so you'll need to book in advance. We aim to ensure that no-one is excluded for reasons of cost.

**To book, visit [www.breakingtheframe.org.uk](http://www.breakingtheframe.org.uk) or fill in the booking form overleaf. For more information email us at [luddites200@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:luddites200@yahoo.co.uk) or call (020) 7426 0005.**

