

seminar

# About the good use of the crisis\*.

**Tuesday, november 10th**  
At 6:00 PM

Amphitheatre Simone Weil  
5 allée Jacques Berque,  
Nantes

In association with :



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Her previous books are *Another World is Possible if ..* (Fayard, 2004); *For or against neoliberal globalization, a debate with Martin Wolf from the Financial Times* (Grasset, 2002), *How to put the WTO back in its place*, (1001 Nights 2001), *The Lugano Report* [Fayard 2000]. She has published previously: *Switzerland at auction: Replies to the single thought* with Fabrizio Sabelli, ( Zoé, 1997); *Credits Without Borders: Secular Religion of the World Bank* with Fabrizio Sabelli, ( La Découverte, 1994) ; *The boomerang effect: shock in return of the Third World debt*, *Neck Up: survey of the Third World debt*, *Hunger in the world for beginners*, (Discovery) *Famine and Power in the World* (Presses Universitaires de France), *The Strategists of Hunger* (her PhD) and *How is the other half of the world dying*(Eds. Laffont). She has written dozens of articles, prefaces, chapters, contributions to conferences and seminars, etc... some of which are available on her website.

« We are not afflicted with one crisis, a financial one, but with global and multiple crisis which coalesce and imprison us. “

“The means to get away from this exist even if they are politically difficult to implement. “

“How can the citizens use the crisis to improve their lot and that of humanity? »